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WASHINGTON LETTER

From our Regular Correspondent.

Teddy R. at Sagamore stood upon the cottage floor while Speaker Cannon of smooth bore, opened the battle roar. Teddy heard with much surprise.

The nominating battle cries battled his surprised eyes. Replying wise or otherwise.

The President's speech of acceptance at Oyster Bay is received here with varied emotions. It is thought by his champions to be comprehensive, complete and unanswerable. Democrats, on the other hand, consider it the first speech of the kind ever delivered by an American president—that is, the first speech of acceptance devoted in every paragraph, to eulogizing his own party and denouncing the opposition. In it the President says, "We are striving to do our work in the spirit with which Lincoln approached his"; but Senator Daniel, who was in the city yesterday, calls attention to the fact that Lincoln's acceptance of his second nomination like Washington's was carefully non-partisan; and that even McKinley's address of acceptance spoke of his opponents with respect and indulged in no such rancor as is heard in the utterance of the Rough Rider of Oyster Bay. Concerning the rash surgical operation whereby the Panama vermiform appendix was slashed from the vitals of Colombia he says "We conducted the negotiations with the highest and most scrupulous honor", which is certainly the construction of an executive euphemism whose delicacy has seldom been equaled.

Grover Cleveland is making a creditable effort to solve the conundrum, "What shall we do with our ex Presidents?" It has been suggested that every man who has been president ought thereafter to be ex-officio a member of the Senate, but objections to that transfer have been raised which are difficult to overcome. Washington went back to his farming and fox-hunting; John Adams carried his dignity back to his old estate; Jefferson wrestled with his detractors and his debts; Monroe kept himself alive by traveling as a book agent; John Quincy Adams greatly enlarged his name by becoming a member of the House of Representatives; Grant lived precariously and imperiled his good name by getting tangled up in Wall Street. Cleveland is the first of ex Presidents to enhance and magnify his fame by becoming a literature and publicist—by officiating as a University lecturer and enlightening the public as a contributor to magazines and controverted matters of national concern. This is a highly honorable position; no service could be more useful; and it is a work to which most presidents are competent. Every ex-president has an enormous clientele enabling him to win a large revenue from colleges

and periodicals, and at the same time confer a lasting benefit upon the whole people of the country. Mr. Cleveland is entitled to gratitude for having courageously helped to solve a very difficult problem.

The unanimous election of Thomas Taggart of Indiana as Chairman of the Democratic National Committee helps to clear a cloudy sky. As Parker earned his first money as a janitor and Davis as a brakeman, there is a certain propriety in selecting as their manager a real Irishman who earned his first quarter of a dollar behind the lunch counter. It seems to complete the Democratic triumvirate. From dissecting sandwiches Taggart has risen to the proprietorship of several large hotels, and besides being rich is immensely popular. He is a blond, blue eyed athlete, and he shakes hands as if you was a long lost brother. He is gifted with the same pan-Indian smile which Schuler Colfax had had, and he vigorously embraces every acquaintance with "good morning brother." He has an immense outfit down at the French Lick, the Monte Carlo of the West, which spouts a geyser—the Pluto—that congested Kentuckians quaff to get rid of their superfluous mountain dew by turning themselves inside out. Taggart has twisted Indianapolis round his finger a good many times, and if he shows the same ability to handle Indiana, he can go into the Cabinet or be minister to Ireland if he prefers it. On Tom's broad shoulders vast responsibility is laid.

Senator Gorman was in the city to-day and expressed himself as very anxious about Indiana. He expects to carry Maryland and looks to Mr. Davis to hand over West Virginia. Hemenway's district in Indiana was formerly Democratic, but has recently gone Republican by a small majority. Taggart is expected to wipe out that majority and send into exile the present chairman of the Appropriations Committee. Senator Gorman laughs derisively at the suggestion that Kentucky may go Republican. He says "Well, I suppose Texas may."

Some prominent Eastern Democrats regard Illinois as not beyond the possibility of capture. The big Chicago Strike with probability of indefinite continuance will accentuate Republican troubles in the Western campaign. If Chicago goes Democratic by only 15,000 or 20,000, the state will probably be safe for Roosevelt but if the labor unions excited and instigated by strikes, boycotts look outs, and blacklists should raise the city majority to forty or fifty thousand, Mr. Cortelyou's folks would be a good deal worried.

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Is Crime Increasing?

There are those who believe that crime is increasing. The Wilmington Messenger asserts that such is the case in North Carolina. It says: "Crime seems to be greatly on the increase in this state. Not a day passes that the newspapers do not chronicle a homicide a burglary or some other serious violation of the law."

It may be as bad as the Messenger fears, but the evidence is not conclusive. It is conceded, however, that the criminal instinct is strongest in summer and that crimes are most numerous in hot weather. This may account for the increase which troubles the mind of our contemporary at the present time. A Philadelphia paper calls attention to a fact which has often been observed, that "whenever a crime of unusual turpitude is committed, and particularly whenever a number of such forbidding events occur in quick succession," we are apt to hear something about an epidemic of crime and sundry lamentations about the increasing wickedness of the world. Although there are many who believe that the human family is rapidly gravitating to the bad, the evidence does not support the theory, though it must be admitted that at best the state of affairs is bad enough.

The view of the matter taken by this writer is that much of the apparent increase of crime may be accounted for by the improved facilities for gathering and printing the news, to which may be added the prevailing idea, both with purveyors of news and readers of newspapers, that crimes must be reported, whatever else may be overlooked.

There is no reliable data, we are informed, from which a just conclusion may be drawn either as to increase or decrease of crime relative to the growth of population in the country at large. In the absence of criminal statistics in North Carolina we are not prepared to believe that more crimes are committed in the state than formerly, or that any class of our population has developed an increasing criminal tendency.—Morning Post.

A PERFECT PAINLESS PILL

is one that will cleanse the system, set the liver to action, remove the bile clear the complexion cure headache and leave a good taste in the mouth. The famous little pills for doing such work pleasantly and effectively are DeWitt's Little Early Risers. Bob Moore of Lafayette Ind., says: "All other pills I have used gripe and sicken, while DeWitt's Little Early Risers are simply perfect." Sold by M. B. Blackburn.

If a fortune teller informs a middle aged woman that she will have trouble before she is thirty she will pay her money and go away satisfied.

THE DEATH PENALTY.

A little thing sometimes results in death. Thus a mere scratch, insignificant cuts or puny boils have paid the death penalty. It is wise to have Bucklen's Arnica Salve ever handy. It's the best salve on earth and will prevent fatality, when burns, sores, ulcers and piles threaten. Only 25c. at M. B. Blackburn's.

Bee Stings For Rheumatism.

Atlanta Constitution.

This is a great age in the advancement of medical science—at least on paper. Now we have the medicinal bee sting put up as a proprietary medicine advertised as a cure for rheumatism. A firm of Philadelphia chemists are back of the novel scheme, which consists of a serum extracted from the stings of bees. In its perfected state the rheumatism cure is to be sold in small vaccine points in the same form as antitoxin.

The promoters of this new rheumatism specific claim that its marvelous virtue was discovered quite accidentally as the result of a frightful stinging received from a colony of busy bees by a farmer badly afflicted with rheumatism. After the temporary pain and swelling from the stings of hundreds of these insects had subsided, the victim was overjoyed to find that his "rheumatism" had also subsided, and, after long months had elapsed without the return of rheumatic symptoms he was convinced that the stingers of the bees had done the curative work.

A contemporary with a Materialist bent declares that bees not sting for the purpose of giving pain, but "to inject a preservative and flavoring substance into the simple sweets gathered from flowers." It is this preservative or venom, as it proves when injected into human flesh, that operates as a cure for rheumatism.

It is said that the effect of vaccination with the serum is immediate and positive. If the disease is centered in the arm or leg, for instance, the afflicted member soon regains its former health, and a long enough application of the remedy will, so the circulars claim effect a permanent cure.

If this be true, humanity has most assuredly found a boon and bee culture a boom. Here is the average rheumatic's opportunity to keep his own colony of bees and get himself stung as often as desirable, supply his home table with honey and sell surplus stings to the serum manufacturers.

A SWEET BREATH

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A woman does a lot of things while a man is figuring how they should be done.

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If your liver does not act regularly go to your druggist and secure a package of Thedford's Black-Draught and take a dose tonight. This great family medicine frees the constipated bowels, stirs up the torpid liver and causes a healthy secretion of bile.

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The cost of living has increased nearly 17 per cent within the past eight years of republican "prosperity," according to the administration's own statistician. Now, all you workingmen whose earning capacity has increased 17 per cent in that time will please raise your horny hand.—Atlanta Constitution.

A SUMMER COLD.

A summer cold is not only annoying but if not cured relieved Pneumonia will probably be the result by fall. One minute cough cure clears the phlegm draws out the inflammation, heals soothes and strengthens the lungs and bronchial tubes. One minute cough cure is an ideal remedy for the children. It is pleasant to the taste and perfectly harmless. A certain cure for croup, cough and cold. Sold by M. B. Blackburn.

One of the New York papers is discussing the proper chair man in case Judge Parker Mr. Cleveland and Col. Bryan agree to speak from the same platform at Madison Square Garden in October. We should think the selection of a referee would be more important than the selection of a chairman.—Washington Post.

Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

All the blood in your body passes through your kidneys once every three minutes.

The kidneys are your blood purifiers, they filter out the waste or impurities in the blood. If they are sick or out of order, they fail to do their work. Pains, aches and rheumatism come from excess of uric acid in the blood, due to neglected kidney trouble.

Kidney trouble causes quick or uneasy heart beats, and makes one feel as though they had heart trouble, because the heart is over-working in pumping thick, kidney-poisoned blood through veins and arteries. It used to be considered that only urinary troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all constitutional diseases have their beginning in kidney trouble.

If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases and is sold on its merits by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail. Home of Swamp-Root, free, also pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.