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WASHINGTON LETTER.

Special Correspondence Courier.

Washington, D. C., November 2.—The Roosevelt administration has become vociferously notorious for the gigantic and unheard of frauds that have been perpetrated since its advent to power, and also for the slight efforts made to expose them and punish the offenders. A few of the smaller fry in the Post Office scandal have been indicted and few have been tried, but not convicted, as the evidence adduced by the government attorneys was not sufficient to convince a jury of their guilt. The delay in investigating these scandals has been a boon to most of the greater offenders, for that convenient law, the statute of limitations, has run its course and the time has expired in which they could be indicted. That the statute of limitations covers a number of these questions is denied by eminent lawyers, but the Republican Attorney General has decided that it does, and there is no way of bringing the culprits to trial, if the law officers of the government refuse to act. As hitherto mentioned in this correspondence, one of the principal participants in the litemary of this accommodating statute is Representative Littauer, who, President Roosevelt described as his "personal friend and closest political advisor." Littauer was charged with sharing in the profits of a large armory glove contract, and that he had used his position as a member of Congress to obtain the contract, notwithstanding the provision of the law that no official should be interested in any such deal. When referred to the Republican Attorney General, he promptly decided that Mr. Littauer could not be prosecuted, as the statute of limitations had run its course, and the "sole political advisor" of the president escaped the humiliation of a trial and possible conviction. Fraud and graft is getting mightily close to the White House when the statute of limitations has to be pleaded for the "personal friend" of the present occupant.

The Post Office frauds are not the only ones that are causing sleepless nights and bad half-hours to many patriotic patriots. Evidence is accumulating that huge land frauds amounting in value to \$40,000,000 have been discovered and that six United States Senators, several Representatives and numerous government officials are mentioned in connection with the frauds, though Secretary Hitchcock, of the Interior Department, is continuously entering strenuous denials. The frauds in connection with the Lullian lands now being investigated, has only just begun, and rumors of other frauds in other departments are filling the air at Washington. This delay in exposing what has already been discovered may, as in the Post Office scandal, be made for the purpose of allowing the statute of limitations to get in its work and permit other Republican patriots to escape the coils of the law.

Mr. High Parks Writes on Importance of Good Schools.

A word from School District No. 6, Franklinville township, Randolph county N. C.

I am an old man—I have lived out my three score years and ten—and I have all my life been a close observer of men and things. I have seen young men rise in spite of obstacles, and out and carve their way to success. I have seen others with splendid opportunities, utterly fail. My observation has been extensive, my experience much.

The report of Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Brayton on the Postoffice frauds has been placed in the hands of the President, consisting of over one hundred and ten thousand words, with appendices sufficient to make nearly one million words. It is said that only a condensed version will be desirable, as but few people have time to read the whole report, but there will be intense dissatisfaction if the public version is garbled for partisan purposes. The voters want to know who are the guilty ones, whether the statute of limitations has covered their doings or not, and nothing less than the exposure of the whole nest of thieves will satisfy them. The only punishment the people seem able to bring upon their unworthy servants, is by preventing them from again occupying official positions, and that can only be accomplished by the truth being told of all connected with the scandals from the highest to the lowest. Any attempt to suppress the evidence of the participation of those high in the Republican councils in the frauds, will not satisfy those honestly in favor of reform, and will be met by the demand for the publication of the whole report, and what it may. The partisan press will report but little of the damaging details of the frauds, but will be called by the newspapers that serve the people if they are allowed access to the truth. It must be remembered that the exposures of the Postoffice frauds have been wrung from the unwilling Republican leaders by the force of public opinion, and not because they were anxious to expose the scandals. Postmaster General Payne, when his department was first under suspicion, designated the first exposure of the frauds as "hot air," and belittled the whole matter as far as he was able, but the rival factions in the Post Office Department were too intent on destroying each other, to permit the evidence of the frauds to be kept secret, and the investigation had to proceed. If the making of a synopsis of the report of Mr. Heistow is left to Mr. Payne, or any of his satellites, but little evidence damaging to the higher officials will ever be seen by the public eye. The Democrats in Congress will of course demand that the whole evidence be printed, but the minority party has but little show for such action, unless the public vigorously demands it.

Advice on Fruit Eating.

The curative value of fruit is becoming more and more insisted upon by those who make a study of dietetics. Grapes are recommended for the dyspeptics, the constipative, the anemic and for those with a tendency to gout and liver troubles. Plums, also, are said to be a cure for gouty and rheumatic tendencies. The acid fruits, especially lemons and oranges, are particularly good for stomach troubles and rheumatism.

Presence of the Youth's Companion.

The gospel of good cheer brightens every page of the Youth's Companion. Although the paper is nearly seventy-seven years of age, it does not look back on the past as a better period than the present. The Companion believes that the time most full of promise is the time we are living in, and every week issue reflects this spirit of looking forward and not back.

Do Cows Have Hollow Horns, Hollow Tails, or Lose Their Horns.

The following inquiry sent to The Progressive Farmer has been referred to me with the request for a general article on the subject:—
"Is there anything in cow having hollow horns or hollow tails? Do they lose their ends? If so, please give remedy for same; also give all the information you can concerning above named diseases through The Progressive Farmer?"

HOLLOW HORN, ETC.

It is a shame to deprive the people of the farm from enjoying the libraries, churches, and other advantages of cities on an account of rural life.

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The Glory of Work.

Even our school boys witness to the new spirit. Education fifty years ago was supposed to teach men how to work; now it teaches them how to work, and with Mr. Gilder we know that labor is not a curse, but a positive good, a means of grace.

Mother of 62 Children.

A petition signed some time ago by 3,000 persons has been presented to the Italian government asking for a pension of \$500 per annum to be conferred on a woman named Maddalena Gramaglia, who has given birth to sixty-two children fifty-nine boys and three girls during her married life. In nine years she presented her husband eleven sets of triplets, three groups of quadruplets, one group of six, and the other eleven came singly. She is 57 years old and incapable of work.

Some Suggestions for the Guest Room.

In other rooms in the house devoted from comfort are permissible, but the guest room must be perfect in its appointments.

The Influence of Feed on the Quality of Pork.

The Department of Agriculture has issued a farmers' bulletin in which an instructive set of experiments are noted on hog feeding for pork. From these tests the conclusion is drawn that one great controlling factor in the quality of the pork of finished pigs lies in the character of the feed employed.

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION.

The new Announcement Number fully describing the principal features of the Companion's new volume for 1904 will be sent to you address free.

Wood's Seeds FOR FALL SOWING.

Vegetable and Farm Seeds should write for Wood's New Fall Catalogue. It tells all about the full planting of Lettuce, Cabbage and other Vegetable crops which are proving so profitable to southern growers.

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