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Washington Letter.

(From our regular Correspondent.) Nothing but a Presidential veto stands in the way of the Bland bill for the coinage of the seigniorage becoming a law, as a test vote in the Senate has shown that the bill will pass that body by at least a two-thirds vote. The agreement in the Senate is to take the final vote on next Thursday. The present status of the bill is such that it cannot be amended, and unless something transpires to bring about a change of sentiment in the Senate it will be in the hands of President Cleveland before the close of the week. Experience has taught Congress, as well as other people, that it is mere guess work to attempt to say in advance what Mr. Cleveland will do with anything, so that notwithstanding the positive statement of Senator Vilas, that he would veto the bill there is considerable doubt as to whether he will or not. Many democrats who are not particularly friendly to silver will use their influence to prevent a veto, on account of the Congressional elections this year. No one expects him to sign the bill. The most that is hoped for by the silver men that he may be persuaded to allow it to become a law without his signature.

Whatever may be one's personal opinion of the revised tariff bill there can be no doubt about the changes made by the Senate committee having lessened the popular outcry against it and given it what it did not before possess—a good chance to pass the Senate. Pressure is already being brought to bear upon the republican Senators to confine their opposition to legitimate methods and not to resort to filibustering. The effect of this pressure is already apparent in the Finance committee.

Any good man out of a job can probably get one by attending the caucus for nominating officers for the village board, which will be held in about two weeks. Three aldermen, one mayor and a village clerk will be nominated, and it is now believed by those well informed that an agreement will be reached under which the bill will be reported to the Senate inside of ten days and the debate be limited to six or eight weeks. The bill is apparently in more danger from the few democrats who are still somewhat dissatisfied than from the republicans.

Senator Peffer says he intends to insist upon his resolution providing for an investigation by a Senate committee of the various charges made against Senators of having speculated in the stock of the sugar trust while the tariff bill was being fixed up by the democrats of the Finance committee. Senator Peffer is right. The charges should be investigated, and the sooner and the more thoroughly it be done the better for the Senate and the country. If the Senators be guilty they should be driven from public life; if innocent, the correspondents who made the charges should be jailed for criminal libel.

Representatives Boatner, of La., Terry, of Ark., and W. A. Stone, of Pa., compose the sub-committee of the House Judiciary committee selected to investigate the action of Judge Jenkins in issuing an order restraining railroad employes charged with contemplating a strike. The sub-committee has forwarded to Judge Jenkins a copy of the resolutions providing for the investigation, and requested him to express his wishes concerning the investigation. His reply will determine whether the investigation will be made here or at Milwaukee.

If Senator Hill succeeds in his avowed purpose of trying to get a separate vote on the tariff bill proper and the income tax, there will be a smashing of party lines that will not be very agreeable to either the republicans or democratic managers. For instance, Senators Peffer and Allen who will vote against the tariff bill, as a whole, would very gladly vote for the income tax, as a separate measure. Senator Reller and other Northwestern republican Senators will probably do the same, while Senators Hill, Murphy, Smith, McPherson, Brice and other democrats who will vote for the tariff bill are anxious for an opportunity to vote against the income tax. Strange as it may seem, President Cleveland is said to be in sympathy with Senator Hill's move to defeat the income tax, if it can be done without defeating the entire tariff bill. There are some surprises in this whole business for somebody unless all the indications are wrong.

It is good to have the president for a guest. Capt. Rodley D. Evans, of the Navy, at present Superintendent of the Lighthouse Board, had president Cleveland for his guest on that hunting trip, aboard of the lighthouse tender Violet, and now the President has appointed a son of Captain Evans to be a cadet at large to Annapolis. Still they say that Mr. Cleveland is opposed to reciprocity.

The administration is moving slowly in regard to the allegation that Great Britain had violated treaty obligations

as well as the Monroe doctrine by landing troops and practically assuming a protectorate over the Mosquito Coast of Central America, and will before taking action await official reports from American Naval officers in the vicinity who have been ordered to investigate. Should the newspaper reports prove authentic, the affair may lead to grave diplomatic complications, if nothing more serious, with Great Britain.



Goodfarm. Democratic caucus today. Some of the farmers are sowing oats. School closed yesterday in district No. 5.

Miss Millie Gould spent Sunday at home. Ben Sinclair and Pat Leach were in Morris Monday. Wm. Constantine was in Verona Saturday of last week. Mr. Misner and family have moved on the Charles Stevens farm. Mrs. Stitt, of Morris, and Mrs. Patterson, of Streator, visited with their sister Mrs. R. Gould last week.

Reddick. B. W. Sniffin went to Chicago Friday. Wm. Bloxam was in Chicago Sunday. Mrs. Alex. Grant was in Essex Friday. Dr. Flexer was in Joliet one day last week.

Mrs. Petry is home again after several months absence. Wm. Keiffers, of Chicago, visited Peter Mallon last week. T. Reilly, of Braidwood, made his brother a short visit last week.

E. McGowan is putting a new roof on his house. T. Guest is doing the work. Wm. Unz, A. Currey, Byron Ambrose, G. S. Boyer and T. Shimmis attended the Republican caucus at Buckingham last Saturday.

Wilson. Pat Falsely is visiting in Chicago this week.

A number of farmers are sowing oats this week. Myrtle and Mabel Butler visited their grand parents Monday.

Peter Eldred and daughter Phoebe, were in Dwight Wednesday. Mrs. A. Reinmiller is staying with her mother, Mrs. Reed, this week.

Mrs. Lou Leonard, of Chicago, visited in Round Grove the past week. Messrs. Jas. and Jos. Pray visit Essex frequently. What is the attraction?

Mrs. Gavin returned to her home in Pontiac Monday after attending to her sick daughter Anna Gavin. Mrs. Carl Reinmiller, Misses Louise Reinmiller and Myrtle Butler, visited George Jenkins and wife last Sunday.

Pontiac Pick-ups. Dick Thornton made a flying trip to Dwight last Friday.

Col. Parsons, of Dwight, was in town Monday calling on the boys. Mrs. O. F. Pearce was visiting relatives and friends in Dwight this week.

The Daughters of Rebekah will spread a banquet in Odd Fellows hall, on the 10th of April, and will serve patrons from one o'clock until after supper.

Since the dedication of the new church Rev. Hussey has secured more than \$1000 in subscriptions to pay off the indebtedness. This leaves the society practically out of debt.

Things politically promise a lively time in Pontiac this (Saturday) afternoon. Both the republicans and democrats have their caucus meetings set for this afternoon, with just one hour intervening.

The leading star in the grand opera now having such grand success at the Auditorium in Chicago, Madame Nordico, is a relative of Dr. E. Norton and Lawyer Norton, of Pontiac, her maiden name being Lillian Norton.

Essex. Some of our farmers are sowing oats. Constable Knapp, of Joliet, was in town Tuesday.

N. H. Charter is taking a trip through the west. Mr. and Mrs. Forks were in Chicago Monday.

Ted Palmer was in Joliet the first of the week. C. R. Miller was in Chicago one day last week.

L. C. LaPlante spent the latter part of the week in St. Anne. C. D. Keepers started Thursday for Whitmore, Iowa, where he will spend the summer.

Next Thursday will be caucus day, every other man is a candidate, there being five for assessor. The cobweb social at the town hall was well attended last Monday evening, notwithstanding the show. The proceeds went to help the M. E. church.

Five small children were poisoned in Essex on Sunday. It is thought that cheese they had eaten was the cause. Two of them were T. Roe's children, and three were Jas. Sweeney's. Little Howard Roe's recovery was doubtful for a time, but through the skill of the doctor he recovered.

MRS. W. E. FENN, WILL HAVE AN EASTER OPENING,

ON Wednesday and Thursday, Mar 21-22,

A grand display of Easter Hats in all the latest novelties. All styles. All prices. Give us a call. Trimmer that cannot be excelled.

Central City.

Mrs. Wm. Brooks has not been well for a few days. Mike Quarts has a child very sick at this writing.

Mrs. Hawley visited her daughter Mrs. Lonie on Monday. Mrs. Almer Green visited her daughter, Mrs. Liddlee, last week.

Samuel Edwards, of Carbon Hill, visited Henry Henton Monday. Quite a number of young men have left Central City to seek work elsewhere.

Mr. Enoch Moss is on the sick list a present, having been unwell for over a week. James Turner has bought a house from Andrew Frazier and moved into it last Tuesday.

Mrs. Samuel Edwards, from Carbon Hill, preached in the P. M. church on Sunday last. Quite a few ducks have been around the slough at Central City and many have been shot.

John Cooper and Alfred Balance visited John Hagon farmer, near Mazon, on last Tuesday. Nathan Baldwin had a fine boarder arrive at his house on Sunday night. She came to stay. Mother and child doing well.

Mike Catch and family, Andrew Frazier and family, Geo. Drabant and wife, and Geo. Danchish left for Minnesota to go upon their farm—there. We wish them every prosperity in their new homes.

Successful Entertainers.

The people of Thompson district, No. 5, south-east of town, were given a rare treat last Saturday evening in the way of a musical and dramatic entertainment, given by the school. The school house was jammed in spite of the bad night, and the company were more than pleased with the entertainment furnished by the young people. Several young people from Dwight were present to assist in the program. The entertainment was in every way a delightful success, and worthy of the hearty endorsement it received. The affair was largely the work of the enterprising young man who wields the birch in that district, Mr. Clay D. Parker, of Dwight, who has taught for the last two years with most gratifying success, in fact his ability as an instructor is often and flatteringly mentioned by those whom he has served. Mr. Parker is a graduate of our high school, class of '92, and has a host of friends here who are glad to note his successful work as teacher.

Thank Offering.

The annual thank offering service of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, was held last Sunday evening. The church was crowded with those eager to hear Miss Frank Baker, who addressed the meeting on the subject of foreign missions. Miss Baker is a speaker of ability and a lady of large experience in the work, her address was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Some excellent music furnished by two quartettes, and the annual thank offering collection was taken, which did not seem to have been affected by the hard times, as it was a trifle larger than last year.

Guaranteed Cure.

We authorize our advertised druggist to sell Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, upon this condition. If you afflicted with a Cough, Cold or any Lung, Throat or Chest trouble, and will use this remedy as directed, giving it a fair trial, and experience no benefit, you may return the bottle and have your money refunded. We could not make this offer did we not know that Dr. King's New Discovery could be relied on. It never disappoints. Trial bottles free at Dr. Barr, Dwight, and Augustine's, Braceville, Drug Store. Large size 50c. and \$1.00.

Land Excursion to the South.

On Feb'y 8, March 8 and April 9, 94 the Big 4 route has to offer "one, lowest first-class rate for the round trip," to all points in Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, and some points in Georgia, for full particulars call on or address O. C. MASON, Gardner, Ill.

Auction Bills.

A notice of all auction bills printed at this office will appear in the DWIGHT STAR AND HERALD, Braceville Tribune and Gardner Tribune, and the price of the bill remains the same. Don't forget this when wanting bills.

For Sale.

A Prince & Co. Automatic organ. Good mahogany case and everything in fair condition. Address me or call and see it. Will sell for \$12.

W. H. GRANT, Agent I. I. & I. R. R. Wilson, Ill.

The secretary of the Elkhart Carriage and Harness Mfg. Co., of Elkhart, Ind., informs us that their prices will be lower for 1894 than ever. He wishes us to ask our readers not to purchase anything in the line of carriages, wagons, bicycles or harness until they have sent 4 cents in stamps to pay postage on their 112 page catalogue. We advise the readers of this paper to remember his suggestion.

C. W. Sheldon will sell at public auction, at Richland farm, Campus, four miles south and six miles east of Dwight, on Tuesday, March 20, 24 head Galloway black polled cattle, 16 head horses, 42 head hogs, 50 tons timothy hay, 15 tons baled mixed clover and timothy, oat straw, seed corn, farm implements, J. I. Case separator, a complete threshing outfit will be sold consisting of Huber engine, C. Aultman & Co., separator and stacker, Ottawa cylinder sheller. Usual terms.

We have in our possession a copy of the first edition of "Dwight: Past, Present and Future," from 1854 to 1874. It is a very interesting little volume and much information is to be derived from it regarding our home. The contents were originally written for the DWIGHT STAR, but the author's name is not given. The STAR AND HERALD proposes in the near future to commence the "second edition," including the time from 1874 to 1894, and publish the same in the paper and in pamphlet form, if demanded.

Under the law, the Board of Supervisors at the July meeting will be required to redvide and re-adjust the election precincts in Pontiac and Dwight to accommodate the vote as recorded at the last general election. The law requires that there shall be a separate polling place for each 400 voters, as nearly as possible, and in no case shall there be more than 450 voters in one precinct. Heretofore Pontiac has had two precincts and Dwight one. At the last election, 976 votes were cast in Pontiac township and 608 in Dwight, showing the legal obligation to divide Pontiac into three voting precincts and Dwight into two. All the rest of the townships will stand as heretofore.—Sentinel.

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