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### WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our regular correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 24, 1900.—

There is no denying that the people of the United States are greatly taken back by the reluctance of the powers to order their troops to attempt an immediate advance to Pekin to rescue the foreigners there. Believing, as the government and the people of this country generally do, that the ministers were alive on the 18th, there is a strong feeling of anger against any delay in going to their aid. Of course no one here is as well informed as to the situation around Tsentsin as are the military commanders at that place and it is also true that disaster might attend a forward movement at present. But no such considerations would restrain American troops for a moment, if they had half the present allied force at their sole disposal. There are now 43,000 allies at Tsentsin and Americans believe they could whip ten times their weight in Chinamen and they do not believe that they will find any such force opposing them. Possibly the supineness of the European governments is due to the fact that they do not believe that the Conger dispatch is genuine and consequently think that haste will be of no use. Nevertheless military experts here who have been clearly scanning all the reports from Tsentsin that appear to be worthy of credit, feel that now the way is open to Pekin and that the march should begin with the force at hand, leaving the powers to bring up reinforcements to reopen the base, should the first expedition be cut off. According to the latest official reports, the country around Tsentsin is clear of hostile Chinese. The flower of the Chinese army is that section has been defeated at Tsentsin, and the army experts calculate that its power is so broken that the particular army never can be reorganized in season to offer formidable resistance. So they argue that the time is ripe for a stroke of bold generalship, such, for instance, as French's ride to Kimberley.

The Treasury department is not satisfied with the decision of the board of General Appraisers, holding that herring box shoeks made from American lumber sawn in New Brunswick, are entitled to free entry, as being "unmanufactured in whole or in part." It has accordingly written to the collector at Eastport, Me., calling his attention to a decision of the Supreme Court, in which it was held that the sawing of lumber into lengths in the manufacture of packing box shoeks was "manufacture" and directing him to classify those entered at his port as dutiable at 30 per cent., so that another case might be submitted to the Board, in which attention could be called to the decision of the court.

Consul Dudley, of Vancouver, on June 27, 1900, writes: "About three months ago, arrangements were made which prevented vessels from the United States bound for ports in Alaska calling here en route. It was understood that this action

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was taken as a retaliatory measure, because British vessels were not given certain privileges which they desire in the ports of the United States. The people here now seem to be convinced that the driving away of American vessels has had a prejudicial effect upon the business of this city. It is stated, upon what seems good authority, that the United States vessels which formerly called here on their way to and from Alaska will be asked to resume the old custom. Formerly there was a very considerable fleet of American vessels making regular calls here, thereby furnishing Vancouver merchants frequent opportunities for making shipments to Alaska and the Yukon Territory.

The Treasury Bureau of Statistics has published a letter from a British merchant at Bloemfontein warning his countrymen against American competition in trade there. He says: "It is imperative to the interests of agricultural implement makers to state that it has been too much the custom to send out to South Africa the same class of implement that is selling in Great Britain. Such a policy is stupid and ruinous. For instance, the sale of plows is practically unlimited, yet go to any store in the Orange River Colony and you will find for every English made plough three or more from America. Farmers declare in favor of the American ploughs because they are lighter yet equally strong, and less complicated, lending themselves more readily to the undulating nature of the land. With the exception of disc rollers, harrows and rollers are not much used as yet. I think there should be a future for the disc roller in breaking up newly ploughed land; and there is a great extent of new land broken up every year for maize, on which the disc roller should be very effective. The few I have seen were of American make." Similar remarks are made about other articles.

The following pensions have been granted to residents of Canada: Original—Frank Schaefer, Toronto, Ont., \$8 per month. Original Widows—Harriet Blair, Warkworth, Ont., \$8. Increase—Oliver Rochon, Winnipeg, Man., \$12.

## CASTORIA

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### CONFLICTING TELEGRAMS FROM THE FAR EAST.

LONDON, July 26.—While the latest impression derived from the array of conflicting telegrams from the Far East is that a portion of the foreigners only may have escaped slaughter until this date, the general consensus of the best informed opinion in Europe seems to continue to favor an acceptance of the worst news and prompt action thereon; the contention being that the only possibility of definitely ascertaining the truth is by the allied commanders inquiring at Pekin. Judging from the news from Tien Tsin recording divisions among the admirals there, the prospects for a speedy advance seems to be endangered unless the governments speedily agree upon a supreme leader.

Telegrams from Shanghai report that Li Hung Chang has taken up his abode at the arsenal as a mode of precaution. It is not stated whether he feared any action by Chinese or attempt by the powers to curtail his liberties. Apparently the foreign consuls at Shanghai have informed the viceroy that unless he should obtain definite despatches from Pekin within five days they would conclude that the ministers had been murdered and act accordingly. Reports are current that a number of missionaries, either American or English, have been murdered in Shan Si. One of the despatches from Shanghai published to-day says: "Canadian missionaries who escaped from Ho Hai Nain had a terrible experience en route here. The natives were hostile. A rabble attacked the refugees and beat them and tore the clothes from their backs. The ladies suffered cruel indignities. The despatch continues: "Canton remains comparatively quiet. The natives are beginning to fear. Reinforcements are arriving at Hong Kong and intend to attack Hogue forts and occupy the city. Military mandarins asked the colonial secretary at Hong Kong for assurances that Great Britain does not intend to take Canton." The legislature of New South Wales has resolved to despatch a military contingent to join the imperial troops in China.

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### W. C. T. U. COLUMN.

"And let us not be weary in well-doing for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."—Galatians 6: 9.

### A HYMN FOR THE WHITE-RIBBONERS.

BY ELEANOR REED DEAN.

Tune:—"Ye Christian Heralds."

Our emblem fair of ribbon white Shall bear to all new life and light; Before its stainless color flee The clouds of sin and misery.

We'll wear it on our hearts that glow With righteous wrath against our foe; We'll wear it on our arms that strike The blows for rich and poor alike.

While in our breasts our pulses beat, Whether in triumph or defeat, Forever raise this conquering band, Our war-cry, "God and every land."

And when for us the battle's done, The last fight fought, the victory won, Strong hands will still our standard bear Till all the ribbon white shall wear.

### THE TALE OF A SERPENT; OR A WOMAN'S LOGIC.

BY REV. WARD B. PICKARD.

Looking from the door of a humble western cabin, a mother was startled by the discovering of a rattlesnake sunning himself on the rocks. She quickly closed the door and with bounding heart pressed to her bosom the bright boy who played upon the floor. When her husband returned from the fields he was met by his wife, who in great excitement said, "John there's a rattlesnake in our garden. You must kill it at once."

But John did not become excited. He was too familiar with serpents to be startled by a woman's snake story. "Is dinner ready?" he asked.

"No, John, how could I get dinner with that snake so near our boy?"

"Don't be foolish, Mary," said John, "it's just like a woman to forget everything else at the sight of a snake."

With quivering lips she replied, "I didn't forget our boy."

That evening John took up The Weekly Sophisticator, and the first item that attracted his attention was an editorial entitled, "Snakes and the Common Law." "Mary, hear this," he said, "The Sophisticator says that under the common law snakes have a right to live. That all this talk about extermination is the fancy of fanatics. Serpents always have existed and always will exist, therefore regulation is the only way to deal with them. This can best be accomplished by tying a strong cord to each snake's tail and fastening the cord to a post."

Mary was a woman and did not always accept her husband's newspaper as authority, so she asked, "Can a tethered snake bite?"

"Yes," said he. "Do dead snakes ever bite?" she persisted.

"Of course not," said her husband, impatiently. "Then would it not save time and rope and prevent danger to kill the serpent when you first catch him?"

"There's no use arguing with a woman," said John, and he turned again to The Sophisticator, where he found consolation in an article on "The Failure of Snake Killing as a Method of Reform."

Next morning John determined to try the experiment. By tearing an American flag into strips he was provided with a suitable cord. Cautiously proceeding to the rocks he found the snake, and just as its sinuous form was gliding out of sight John planted his "number ten" upon the reptile, so securely fastening him that he could neither go in or come out. He quickly tied one end of his red, white and blue cord to the writhing tail of the "rattler." The other end he secured to a stake. Releasing the serpent he called, "Mary, bring the boy here," which she did. "Now," said the proud protector of the defenseless, "I have settled the snake question. The boy must be kept outside this circle of danger." Turning to the lad he said firmly, "My son, if you go beyond this line the snake may bite you. And if he does, I will shut you up in the dark closet."

"Papa," said the boy, who was not old enough to read The Sophisticator, "wouldn't you just as soon shut the rattlesnake up before he bites me?"

"Children should be seen but not heard," was the stern reply.

Some days later the mother was startled by a cry from her boy. Rushing out she saw him lying on the ground. In running towards home he had tripped over the rattler's tether. The snake, hissing with rage, was just ready to dart its venomous fangs into the face of the prostrate child when the mother caught the cord, and with a quick pull, prevented the fatal stroke.

That night the husband heard the story of the rescue. The Weekly Sophisticator lay unopened. With trembling lips he said, "You saved our boy, now what can we do with the snake?"

Mary's prompt answer was, "A cord strong enough to tie him with is strong enough to choke him with."

"True," said John, "but I never saw that in my paper."

"Try it," said Mary. "I will," said John, and seizing the rope he dragged the reptile from the den till his head was nearly in sight. Loosing the noose he slipped it up to his neck. John then placed his great boot on the infuriated creature and handed the end of the cord to Mary, saying, "pull."

Mary pulled. John stood fast. The snake hissed and rattled but the cord was strong. Mary was in earnest, John had been converted, and the snake died, and was afterwards eagerly devoured by some hungry pigs.

Hear ye the interpretation thereof. The saloon-serpent decorated with the American flag is still a serpent. Its fangs are filled with deadly poison. The licensed saloon "biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder."

The tri-colored cord that legalizes the saloon serpent, would, if applied in the right place, choke to death the hideous reptile. The fact is, it takes far more red tape to tether a snake than to strangle one. Prohibition is the essence of political wisdom.

We degrade "Old Glory" when we use its sacred colors as a tie for slimy serpents. We honor the flag when we use it as a noose about the throat of any serpentine evil. The only harmless rattlesnake is a dead rattlesnake. To save the boys we must choke the saloon.

A bad rattlesnake may be converted—yes, converted into good pork by feeding him to growing pigs. The men, money and grain now employed to curse our country through drink, could, under prohibition, be used to bless mankind.

No one is in doubt as to what woman would do to the snake if man would permit her to pull on the rope. John, give Mary a chance! Stop the Weekly Sophisticator and take your wife's advice. Together stand, together pray, and together act till the sibilant echoes of the serpent's hiss shall be heard no more, but in its place

"Let music swell the breeze And ring from all the trees Sweet freedom's song; Let mortal tongues awake; Let all that breathe partake; Let rocks their silence break, The sound prolong." Hornellsville, N. Y.

### A DESPERATE NEGRO.

NEW ORLEANS, July 27.—After a desperate battle lasting several hours in which he succeeded in killing two men and a boy, and fatally wounding several others, the negro desperado, Robert Charles, who killed Captain Daly and patrolman Lamb and badly wounded officer Mora, was smoked out of his hiding place in the residence section of this city and literally shot to pieces. The tragedy was one of the most remarkable in the city's history, 20,000 people, soldiers, policemen, citizens, were gathered around the square in which Charles was finally put to death. Tremendous excitement reigned throughout the city as the little battle went on between the police and citizens and the negro with a Winchester. After the tragedy was over the statement was made that the man killed was not really the desperado who killed Lamb and Daly but papers found in his possession and the fact that he fought so desperately for his life and shot so accurately, seem to leave little doubt that the right man was put to death.

### A DOG SAVES TWO WOMEN.

EAST BROOKFIELD, July 27.—Mrs. John Brick and Mrs. Joseph Benoit, while picking berries in the swamp adjoining the Seven-mile River, near the Howe place, had a thrilling experience with a monster snake, which has been recognized as one of the rare specimens of the poisonous spotted adder, and but for the timely arrival of the faithful Brick watchdog, Skip, would undoubtedly have been bitten by the serpent.

The women had been berrying two hours and had gradually worked their way toward the river bank, where the berries grow in profusion. With full pails the women had turned their faces homeward, and when crossing a small clearing Mrs. Brick almost trod upon the snake, which was spread out full length on the ground asleep.

She uttered a piercing shriek and both women became rooted to the ground with fear.

The snake thus suddenly awakened was mad clear through, and with bloodcurdling hisses threw itself into an attitude of attack.

Coiling itself up, it inch by inch raised its head and neck in the air, all the time keeping its glittering eyes on the disturbers of its peace, who were close upon the verge of utter collapse.

Mrs. Brick, who is an elderly woman, first regained her presence of mind, and dashed her pail full of luscious blueberries straight at the reptile's head. This for a moment dazed the serpent and it relaxed.

Before the snake recovered from its surprise the faithful Skip dashed into the arena, and, taking in the situation at a glance, sprang upon the snake, and shut his jaws with a death grip back of the snake's neck, close to the head.

For two minutes the air was full of dog and snake, until a crunching of bones denoted that Skip was getting in his work on the snake's backbone.

Never relaxing his hold, Skip dragged the body home and laid it at the feet of his master, who was working in the garden near his house.

Mr. Brick told a reporter that he jumped five feet in the air when he first saw the reptile, not knowing that it was dead. The body measured close to four feet.

The arrival home of the women soon after explained matters, and the skin will be preserved in the Brick family as a souvenir of Skip's prowess and fidelity.

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### MR. EMMERSON IN THE WEST.

(Vancouver World, July, 19.)

Hon. H. R. Emerson, Premier of New Brunswick, accompanied by Mrs. Emerson, and Hon. A. S. White, of New Brunswick, and Mrs. White, arrived in this city this afternoon on the Imperial Limited from Winnipeg, where they have been attending the big Baptist convention. The Hon. Mr. Emerson was met at the station by a number of friends and escorted to the Vancouver Hotel. Speaking with the World for a few minutes at the station, the honorable gentleman stated that his trip from New Brunswick had been one of great enjoyment to all his party. They intend spending a week in Vancouver and will then proceed to Victoria.

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