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ON THE CORNER.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our regular correspondent.

Washington, June 12, 1901.

The republican scheme for reducing the congressional representation of the southern states which restrict negro suffrage, has been revived, and it is said to have more influential backing than the movement that was started last winter. At that time it was understood that Mr. McKinley, who had just begun to believe in the possibility of a white republican party in the south, opposed the idea and was instrumental in having it laid aside. It is doubtful whether he has changed his mind on the subject, but some of the men who are quietly pushing the revived scheme express the opinion that by next winter the failure of making white republican recruits in the south, under the name of McLaurensim, or any other, will be so plain to Mr. McKinley that he can be counted upon to keep his hands off, if not to help along the scheme.

The increased power given to congress by the insular decisions of the supreme court, is used by the schemers as an argument for the political necessity of cutting down southern representation, so as to make it certain that the republicans will retain a majority in the house, the loss of which might play havoc with the party's insular policy.

There are other than legal reasons for the decision of the administration not to call an extra summer session of congress to legislate for the Philippines. One is that it is thought that a few months exercise of the autocratic authority conferred by the Spooner amendment will get things on the islands in a condition that would be less inviting to congressional inter-rogation than they are now, and another is a fear that congressional debate on a Philippine tariff bill might precipitate a general discussion of the whole tariff question.

General Samuel Pearson of the Boer army, passed through here last week, enroute for New York, where he has been called to confer with agents of his government on important business relating to an honorable peace. Speaking of the situation in his unfortunate country, he said:

“We still have about 25,000 men in the field, all the ammunition we need, and sufficient horses and food stuffs. My regular information from the field tells me that not half of what is going on there is known and published in the newspapers here, and then it is not reliable. All news goes through British censors. There has been considerable more fighting down there lately than the American people are aware of. Much activity is displayed throughout the Transvaal, the Orange Free State and Cape Colony. Kirtzinger's commando has been very effective in recruiting Cape Dutch for operations against the British, and if Kitchener or Roberts can boast of having invaded the Transvaal, we can reply with the invasion of Cape Colony. Our soldiers are only fifteen miles from the coast, which speaks for itself. The men at the head of our army are young, energetic, prudent and just. They know when to strike and how to do it to obtain the best results, with the smallest cost of life. We are quite as anxious for peace as you, but it must be an honorable peace—otherwise we fight till the last man falls.”

Ex-Congressman and ex-Judge Wm. Springer accompanied three Indian chiefs to the white house, where they went to present a petition asking the president to withhold his signature to the proclamation opening the Kiowa, Comanche-Apache reservation to settlement until a delegation repre-

sending these tribes can be heard. They claim that the treaty making the cession was never approved by a majority of the Indians, and to allow it to be put into effect will be a rank injustice.

The alleged civil government that is to be established in the Philippines will be civil in name only, until after congress legislates on the subject, as it is to be under military control—because of a belief that the establishment of a real civil government would put them on the same footing that was given to Porto Rico by the supreme court decision. There are tricks in all trades, and republican politicians are specially apt in tricks relating to government.

Congressman Livingston of Georgia, who is here, in speaking of the proposed constitutional amendment restricting negro suffrage in Georgia, said: “I think our people are against such amendment. We are getting along nicely with the negro in our state.”

EARLY DAYS

In Nebraska City, as Taken From Major Pearson's Memoirs.

Some time ago James Reed, in looking through his old papers, found the following paper, which he loaned to J. H. McLellan, who kindly gave it to the Nebraska City News. It was written by Major J. W. Pearson, and was dated February 14, 1873, and in an erased paragraph he says:

“That is all I now think of, and which I cheerfully hand over to the settlers of Otoe county who located here in 1854 and 1855.”

If it was ever made public before we have forgotten it. From an historical standpoint it is well worth preserving.

“On the 4th of May, 1853, I crossed the Missouri river at Otoe City (Gideon Bennett ferryman), in company with R. B. Lockwood and Lafayette Duncan. We were then on our way to Plum Creek, with two wagon loads of groceries, for the purpose of trading with the California and Oregon emigrants, on their way to the gold fields of the Pacific slope.

“On the 4th of July Lafayette Duncan, myself and seven Indians started for the highlands in Iowa, in canoes. We left the foot of Main street early in the morning, expecting to reach Sidney, Iowa, by 10 a. m., in time to take part in the celebration at that place. We aimed to go through the heavy timber directly opposite the city, but after paddling our way for a few hours we found we could not get through on account of the drift wood then afloat. We sent the Indians back, tied most of our clothing around our necks and started on foot for the bluffs, distant about eight miles, at which place we arrived about dark; traveling in water from two to eight feet deep, and arrived in Sidney at 1 a. m., on the 5th, to find the celebration over and the people in bed.

“The first grand jury was empaneled in the fall of 1853, John B. Boulware, foreman. Nearly every man in the county, including the jury itself, was indicted for gambling, and was fined in sums ranging from five to ten dollars.

“James H. Masters came here in 1855 and established the first nursery, where he now lives. Hugh Pearson planted apple trees in the same year, on lot 1, block 26, where they are still growing.

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LINE	LOCAL	EXP.	TIME
CHICAGO	Local	exp.	10 30 a.m.
CHICAGO	Local	exp.	10 6 a.m.
CHICAGO	Local	exp.	2 40 p.m.
CHICAGO	Local	exp.	4 45 p.m.
CHICAGO	Local	exp.	4 32 p.m.
CHICAGO	Local	exp.	8 17 p.m.
CHICAGO	Local	exp.	7 43 a.m.
CHICAGO	Local	exp.	10 10 a.m.
CHICAGO	Local	exp.	7 10 a.m.
CHICAGO	Local	exp.	2 17 a.m.
CHICAGO	Local	exp.	7 30 a.m.
CHICAGO	Local	exp.	3 33 p.m.
CHICAGO	Local	exp.	9 57 p.m.
CHICAGO	Local	exp.	3 50 p.m.
CHICAGO	Local	exp.	9 44 p.m.
CHICAGO	Local	exp.	5 5 p.m.
CHICAGO	Local	exp.	3 47 a.m.

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Line	Local	Exp.	Time
Passenger No. 1	Local	exp.	5 37 a.m.
Freight No. 121 (daily except Sunday)	Local	exp.	3 40 p.m.
Passenger No. 2	Local	exp.	11 34 p.m.
Freight No. 122 (daily except Sunday)	Local	exp.	7 35 a.m.
No. 2 will accommodate Omaha theatre-goers, as it does not leave Omaha until 9 50 p.m.			
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