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Is it true that handwriting is growing between The Dalles and Union.-Penworse and worse all the world over? dleton Tribune. This is the statement of Mr. Jackson in "Theory and Practice of Hand- The Roslyn Bank Robbery--- Evidence writing." Official reports, says the London News, seem to confirm Mr. Jackson's belief. On the other hand, persons of considerable experience in O. W. R. Mfg. Co., Portland, Oregon: the precedents of a hundred years reading literary manuscripts and examination papers of the higher orders can medicine. I was recently kicked by a Harrison received more than one, and hardly agree with him. As a rule, the manuscripts of novels and of examina- horse on the leg, and was hobbling hardly a president has been chosen tion papers are legible and even rather around on crutches. I was induced to who has not been the recipient of one pleasing. The exceptions are scarcely try a bottle of Congo oil, and after ap- or more of these animals. As a gift to four per cent, in examination papers; in plying freely for one day I threw away the president the raccoon is said to novels an author foolishly sends in a my crutches. It works like lightning stand at the head of the animal kingmere rough draft, with erasions and additions tacked on by pins or waste ends of postage stamp paper. But these examples of handwriting are the work, rather highly educated persons, and they throw no light on the hands of ersly. Pocket size contains twenty-five people far from literacy.

The letters of servant girls and of by Snipes & Kinersly. other people without aspirations to cul-ture are often penned in excellent and rates the British army authorities characteristic hands, and, on the whole, have adopted the novel method, of we do not think that the age writes ill, sending transports required for various general rule. Naturally people who have to write great quantities of maneuvers by road, in trains of wagons drawn by traction engines. The cost poses find their hands, if Roman and has thus been reduced fully one-half. fine at first, gradually disappearing in scrawl due to fatigue. A number of popular and prolific authors are suffering from "writers' cramp," and their hands must have been degenerating in

the progress of the malady. To do the work with the minimum of fatigue is the author's object, and certainly it seems as if the men and women with the most slovenly hamis suffer least from writers' cramp. Mr. Jackson, however, thinks that writing is very bad, that its badness is due to bad teaching, promiseuously selected models the prefers examples on the blackboard to headlines), and, above all, the error is in aloping as opposed to perpendicular or vertical writing. The ural man, he thinks, sits upright to his work, and would write perpendicularly but for the prevalence of sloping copies. From these comes the habit of sprawling sideways at the desk, and that habit is bad for the eyes, bad for the spine, bad for discipline in school (as it facililates tattling), and finally bad for the handwriting. The slope keeps on running down hill till it loses itself in an indecipherable scrawl.

History proves, Mr. Jackson thinks, that all writing was originally vertical. We do not see Egyptian hieroglyphs on the slope: they are drawn upright, and so are the more elaborate pictures of the Aztec "schritt" of the Mayas of Eastern Island, the Sanskrit hand, the

Phoenician (witness the Mondite stone).

This old, popular and reliable house has been entirely refurnished, and every the Greek, whether on inscriptions on room has been repapered and repainter stone, on vases, or in writing on papyri; and newly carpeted throughout. The but not we think in the Italic hand house contains 170 rooms and is supplied copied from the writing of Musurus with every modern convenience. Rate in the editions of Aldus. The Italic reasonable. A good restaurant attached to the house. Frer bus to and from all hand is on a slope-fifteen hundred. Mr. Jackson says that all writing in Europe was vertical, upright, till the age of Elizabeth. The Aldine texts in Italies seem to us to suggest a doubt on this point.

MRS. JENNIE NORTHERN, of Prince-ton, Ky., failed to eatch the measles when she was young, had an attack of that disease at the advanced age of one hundred and ten years and died a few days ago. She lived with her daughter, who is ninety years old and is now left an orphan.

JOHN W. BOOKWALTER, the Ohio mil-Bonaire, said the other day: "I cannot tell you how much money I have spent trying to build a machine which would fly. But I think that I have a model under way now that will solve the prob-

PRESIDENT'S-PRESENTS.

Queer Things That Have Been Sent to the Chief Executive.

Enough Animals and Odds and Ends to Stock a Large Museum - A Teying Ordeal to Undergo.

If Mr. Cleveland takes to his home. says the New York Times, all the presents of one description and another which have been sent to him since last November he will have a museum that will be worth going miles to see. His admiring fellow-citizens from one end of the country to the other have been showing their devotion to him by sending him no end of remembrances.

If it had been Christmas eve every night since November 8, and his stock ing had been hung up every time, it would have been stuffed more than full every morning. He has received almost everything from live stock to jewelry, and the accumulation is something which cuts a considerable figure when the question of moving is under consideration.

Muny, in fact most, of these gifts have come from persons whom he does not know. Some of them are of no earthly use, and some which might be useful if he were the owner of a dime museum or the proprietor of a stock farm would be out of place in the white house or the spacious grounds about it.

Somebody in Michigan showed his devotion to the president by sending him a deer about two months ago. was in a healthy condition and had an appetite that was something enormous. No one knows just what the sender thought Mr. Cleveland was to do with the unimal or why he would appreciate such a gift. It came by express to this city, and, as his residence was not built for the accommodation of such animals it was forwarded to his country place at Buzzard's Bay. Soon after the deer there came from a distant state a large rooster that crowed incessantly.

It was a good enough rooster as roosters go, but was not interesting enough to be classed as a curiosity or useful enough to pay for his "board and branch asylum sure. — Pendleton Tri- keep." As a symbol of victory, he did bune. It is generally understood that the best that his lungs and large expe-The Chirography of Writers for the Pendleton, as well as Heppner, hasn't a rience could do, and at unseemly hours ghost of a show. It's between The in the morning has been proclaiming Dalles and Union.—Long Creek Eagle. to a large section of Lakewood town-Weil, my dear friend isn't Pendleton life immensely.

Some one sent to the president a live raccoon about six weeks ago, and this, though not considered intrinsically of value, is said by "old inhabitants" to be a proper present for a president. It is said, too, that had not some one sent a live raccoon to Mr. Cleveland Dear Sir-Your Congo oil is the boss would have been broken. Ex-President it is said that since the early days Yours Truly, J. A. Harrison, City dom, with the opposium a good second. It was in June of last year that Mr. Harrison received his last installment

Shiloh's cure, the Great Cough and of oppossum, when an admirer from Virginia sent him a pair, a few days The gold-headed cane has been a doses, only 25c. Children love it. Sold favorite with those who have desired to send to Mr. Cleveland a token of esteem. His rack is filled with them and with canes that are not gold

> headed. Canes from the old home of Thomas Jefferson are among the number; canes of hickory from men who east their first vote for "Old Hickory" Jackson and their last for Mr. Cleveland have come in such num- Looding Louision ers as to indicate that there must be nearly a quorum of the old Jacksonian democrats still on earth. The supply of this article which Mr. Cleveland has on hand would go a long way toward supplying timber for the annual cane thes in American colleges next fall if it were distributed.

A great many people who say they voted for him have apparently thought Mr. Cleveland would be interested to know how they look. As a conse quence he has a large collection of photographs. They show the voter in all stages, from the stripling of twenty-one to the patriarch of fourscore. They show him in profile and from a square front elevation. They show him in broadcloth and in homespun Some of the photographs are of men, apparently, who resolved in Lincoln's time not to shave again, until a deme crat was elected president and who had lost their razors eight years ago. Some have sent two photographs, one show ing them with a clean-shaven face and one with a beard. Explanatory notes have accompanied some of these photographs which have depicted a degree of joy at the election of Mr. Cleveland which the camera has falled to reveal. Some of these photographs indicate a hungry gleam in the eye, which, taken with the general contour of the head, is entirely inconsistent with the spirit of civil-service reform as enunciated and practiced by Mr. Cleveland

Some look as if the original had had D. P. THOMPSON.

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Many persons have attempted to se cure some free and widespread advertising for a business house by making gifts to Mr. Cleveland. These are dealers in hats and other articles who recognize that a note of acceptance would be valuable. These articles have been returned in some instances. The presents which have come to Mr. Cleveland have included slippers enough to last him the balance of his

life if he saw fit to use them, elaborate pieces of fancy embroidery made by women who have taken great pains with them, and curious pieces of brie-a-brac. They are of little value, for every one seems to have respected Mr. Cleveland's policy of never accepting presents which would in any sense put him under personal obligations to the donors. They are taken as indica-tions of a kindly feeling in the hearts of the people, which cannot be other than pleasing.



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