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THE MOVING FINGER.

The extent of the changes which President Taft is likely to make in his Cabinet and policies may easily be overestimated by anxious or eager prophets. If the reports from Beverly were all credible, there is no doubt that Mr. Taft will surround himself with a new set of advisers, and if he does not openly join the insurgents it will be only to save appearances that he will refrain.

THE CRIMEAN WAR.

The recent death of Florence Nightingale recalls the European war, of which she was the real heroine. The laurels of the commanders may be tarnished by the lapse of over fifty years and their very names forgotten.

THE PAJARO VALLEY SHOW.

Did you ever hear of Watsonville? Probably not. There never has been any particular reason heretofore why the valley should have heard of it, but this Fall change has come over the spirit of the slumberous town and it is going to have an apple show.

SOAP-BOX ORATORS ARE NOISY.

Writer Wishes Chapman Square Kept Free From Monthly Socialists. PORTLAND, Aug. 15.—(To the Editor.)—How often, oh, how often do people on a Sunday, take a stroll in the direction of Chapman Square, and see the usual stately, listless, to many expounders of present-day social problems, whose varied philosophy makes even Solomon in all his glory seem insignificant when compared with these Sunday orators!

THE DYING CHRISTIAN TO HIS SOUL.

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