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If it be true, as it is reported, that President Harrison, will not consent to the appointment of Mr. Simon to the federal judgeship of the ninth district, notwithstanding all the pressure that has been brought to bear upon him by the Oregon delegation, the decision redounds very much to the credit of the president.

The announcement of Mr. Blaine that he will not be a candidate for the presidency at the next election will effect thousands of his friends and admirers with a keen sense of personal regret.

The Hood River Glacier says a coffin factory is about to be started at that place. Since the CHRONICLE has read the resolutions of the Hood River democratic club it has been wondering if the Glacier really means a real live coffin factory, so to speak, or if the factious editor merely used this form of speech to indicate that the club intends to prepare a numerous lot of candidates for political internment against the ideas of June.

La Grippe Plague in London. So prevalent and fatal is the influenza in London that all the Surrey church yards are as full of new made graves as if a battle had just been fought in the neighborhood. Grave-diggers are kept at work all night and hearses are to be seen going and coming at all hours.

Worse than the famine news from Russia is the announcement that measures are to be initiated for the restoration of serfdom. The reason given for the retrograde movement is that the land allotted to the local communalists is not sufficient to supply the wants of the rapidly multiplying population.

Against Wide Cravats. The attempt to widen a dress cravat nearly two inches is a fallacious fancy. There is nothing so untidy looking as the appearance of the band of the white lawn cravat above the coat collar.

A New Baseball Glove. A new form of baseball glove has in the palm an air cushion or pad which can be removed and inflated. It is made in compartments, connected by free but restricted passages, and surrounds a central portion which is unpadding.

In Indianapolis, and in a dispatch of January 25, the result is told as follows: Luther Benson, having just returned from a temperance tour in Washington, Oregon and California, wound up in a terrible drunken spree tonight and was taken to the Springfield Drunkard's Home for treatment.

A Titusville, Pa., tannery, 1 1/2 years old, now employs over 300 hands with a pay roll of over \$11,000 per month. A three-story building, 50x250 feet, is going up for the manufacture of fancy leather and 160 feet addition to the vat-house is under way.

All Dalles City warrants registered prior to September 1, 1890, will be paid if presented at my office. Interest ceases from and after this date. Dated February 8th, 1892. O. KINERSLEY, Treas. Dalles City.

The outbreak of influenza is spreading fast, with its customary concomitant of a highly increased mortality from respiratory affections. In the metropolis, for one week, thirteen deaths were attributed primarily to influenza, the total death rate being 19.9 per 1,000, or slightly less than the preceding week.

Abroad the accounts are of like import. At Berlin it has been prevailing during the past month. It has been very severe at Hamburg and Dusseldorf, and is also spreading rapidly in the Silesian provinces and Schleswig-Holstein.

The shadows of metropolitan life could scarcely have a more ghastly illustration than in the case of the corpse of the old man at a Greenwich street window staring into the windows of the elevated cars for two days, the butt of the trainmen's Christmas time humor.

We are wont to look upon the extraordinary situations created by the novelist and playwright with satirical severity, but the pen of Sue, Dumas, Dickens and of a host of imitators never conjured up from imaginations vivid with research and practical observation a more pathetically impressive picture than is presented in the dead man at the Greenwich street window.

The January payments of interest and dividends in this city are the heaviest of the year. Upon Jan. 1 interest matures on a large portion of the national debt, and the government pays the quarterly interest on the 4 per cent, about \$5,596,000, and also \$1,938,705 semiannual interest on the Pacific railroad bonds known as the "currency sides".

In June last a tree on the farm of Mortimer Hamilton, in Jackson county, Ind., was blown down and pressed into the earth a large snapping turtle. Some days ago the limb which imprisoned the turtle was removed, and the animal crawled off, apparently unhurt.

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HOW FRENCH BANK BILLS ARE MADE.

More Than Four Hundred Persons Are Employed in Manufacturing Them. All bills are issued by the Bank of France, which carries on the whole process of manufacture, including even that of the paper on which they are printed and the ink used.

The sheets are packed in bundles of 1,000 in each, and are printed in the basement of the bank building in Paris. As with the blank paper, the bills, in every stage of fabrication, are in charge of some official, who must account for every one which has come into his hands, either by showing it, or a receipt given for it by the official to whom he has handed it over.

A series of bills consists of 1,000, which are numbered from 1 to 1,000, and twenty-five series, lettered A, B, C, etc., and tied up together, under the name of an "alphabet." After each operation, the bills are verified by women, who sign their names on the band placed around the bundles.

The principal difficulty in regulating the accounts comes from the defective bills. No bill is allowed to pass the inspectors which shows a spot, an uneven margin, a defect in printing or any other imperfection, and the bills thrown out must be recorded in the books with quite as much accuracy as those which pass successfully to the final stage.

The accounts of the "faulted" bills are carried through the books and for verification the stamped bills themselves are kept for five years. At the end of that time, if there has been no question about them, the regents of the bank, the secretary, the examiners, the chiefs of the printing department, and the chiefs of the department of bill accounts join in signing an order, in pursuance of which they are taken from the vaults and destroyed.

Profits of Sleeping Cars. An operating official who knows considerable about sleeping cars, their cost and profit remarked: "Sleeping cars pay big money and when one knows the cost of operating them it is no wonder. A new car costs, good, strong and modern, anywhere from \$8,000 to \$10,000, although you hear of them worth twice that sum."

Advice to Girls. Don't conclude that a man is a gentleman because he has the manners of one. Don't think because a man is a graceful and interesting talker that he is everything else. Don't fall to take a man at his word when he says he is poor.

Poor Boys. "Dear me!" exclaimed Grandma Toogood, "them boys ought not to be playing football. The newspapers says that the Maydover players aren't strong in their backs. I shouldn't think the fakelty would let 'em, should you?"

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