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A movement is said to be on foot to revive the issue of fractional paper currency. We are not aware of any serious objection that can be offered to the persons living at a distance from a money order office have in sending small sums of money through the mails. Neither postage stamps nor postal notes fill the want as both have to be first purchased by the sender and then converted into currency by the receiver, often at great inconvenience. The sending of silver currency through the mails is an unhandy and clumsy piece of business when compared with that of sending fractional paper currency. Besides too the aggregate additional cost is a considerable tax upon the people. By all means let us have a reissue of fractional paper money.

The people's party of Baker county are demanding of candidates for county offices that they enter into a bonded contract to perform the work of the offices of recorder, clerk and sheriff for a stipulated sum of money on condition of being elected by the party's vote. The scheme will hardly work. It is very possible that the law would construe such a contract as a bribe and the candidates might be knocked out entirely by it even if they did receive a majority of the votes cast. Whatever temporary measure might be successful nothing efficient and permanent can be done till the legislature deals with the matter and passes a law placing the offices named under fixed salaries or otherwise reduces the fees to a sensible and reasonable limit.

The Indians on the Umatilla reservation will be allowed to assume the privilege of citizenship including suffrage, immediately upon the approval by the department of the allotment of their lands. It is hoped the allotment may be finished before the next June election and the question that troubles the politicians of Umatilla county is "How are they going to vote?" It is supposed that the candidate who has the biggest sack will tons by machinery. capture the Indian persimmon.

Bell of the Independence West Side is getting it right in the neck. He had the hardihood to call State Senator. Veatch, who has aspirations after Binger Herman's shoes, a "negation" and some of the stalwarts are reading nim a lesson on "heresy" and "deparcure from the faith" that ought to make aim feel that he is an awful wicked man. The Jacksonville Times calls Bell a worshiper of tin Gods.

The Heppner Gazette is in it "heart and soul" for an open river. It says: When we do the work ourselves as a aware. I imagined that it was confined state it will be done. Till then, only to sailors and felons sentenced to death. talk. The latter is the favorite subter- But last week I met in a lawyer's office fuge of the average member of congress. a lady of my acquaintance eminent in Our railroads patronize the "slot" and our congressmen do the rest.

The Hood Tiver people are kicking some property on very advantageous vigorously at the big tax bill they have to pay this year. The Glacier says: If said, "You will have to wait until the purchase of the pu this county will kindly take some of the morrow to conclude this transaction.' property for part payment of the taxes. The astonished lawyer naturally deand wait until our citizens can earn the manded why the delay should be made. balance, we feel certain they will cheer; fully pay it. They are honest even in a little matter of this kind.

David B. Hill's star is now in the ascendant and the papers that have been saying mean things about him are enadjustment with the new condition of star boarder. things. Some of them will have to let themselves down a long way.

Researches in the census office disclose the fact that there are in the enjoy the sermon if you didn't know the United States 12,500,000 families, and of text? these 10,025,000 are living in houses, or on farms, that are not incumbered by any mortgage obligations.

Chicago will erect a wigwam to accommodate the demogratic national convention. This is a delicate way of asking the Tammany Injuns to make them-

Walla Walla has a "Mutual Aid

Water Marks of the Early Paper Makers The first water mark on record was the coat of arms of a town. The early paper makers were not slow to adopt this idea in impressing upon their sheets the device of the place where their mill was situated. For instance, the coat of arms of the village of Rives, a dolphin, is a common mark on old papers. This mark is still in use today. The first use of the water mark then was as a signature or emblem to point out the place of manufacture and to recommend the ma-

For all that, certain of these emblems were used by different makers, and even in different countries, with slight variations-"brisures," as they are called in heraldry—which were evidently not ac-cidental, but intentional. The letter "P," used by numberless makers, is a good water mark to take as an example, since we find that not only is there an endless variety of forms of the letter in the product of different mills, but that the same maker modified the "brisures" of the letter on different qualities of his paper. Another use of the water mark is more evident still.

The names of the principal sizes of "papier verge" have been handed down to us; and the whole of these have suggested water marks. Rising from the smallest sheet to the largest, they are as follows: Bell, pot, ecu (a three franc piece), crown. shell, grape, large grape, jesus, great eagle and great world. The size "jesus" was indicated by the letter "j," the rest by their emblems. In the measure while many reasons might be Fourteenth and Fifteenth centuries the given in its favor. The chief of these is members of each trade guild were comthe difficulty and inconvenience that pelled to mark their merchandise with the seal of their guild .- Paper Record.

Starting Bulbs.

Now is the time to start your bulbs in glasses for the winter's bloom. Growing them in vases of water is popular for two reasons. In the first place, it is a pleasure to watch the development of the entire plant, and, secondly, it is a B. of L. E. Meets every Sunday afternoon in very easy and clean way of obtaining very easy and clean way of obtaining a goodly show of beautiful flowers. It requires, moreover, no horticultural knowledge or skill, as any one may be successful by observing a few obvious rules. It must be remembered always that in order to produce fine flowers all bulbs must first form their roots, and as the plant, but rather aids that mysterious process of rootmaking that is generally in plant life carried on under the friendly cover of the earth, it is better to place the glasses in a cool cellar or closet, where there is at the same time plenty of air, until the roots are well formed and the plant begins to sprout.

The water in the glasses should just reach, not touch, the bulbs; and after they have been brought into the room where they are to flower they should be kept in a place where it will not be too hot. They like rather a low temperature, although requiring plenty of air and light. In choosing your bulbs select those that are hard and heavy, as for window plants you will want the very best.-New York Tribune.

Vegetable Ivory Buttons.

"The principal use of vegetable ivory now," said a broker who deals in the arprobably think that the buttons on their spring clothes are made of rubber or bone-and so they used to be. Now. however, vegetable ivory is the principal material used. The nut in its green state is filled with a milky substance

Unlike rubber and bone, ivory is not affected by heat or cold, and is not liable to break in the eye. The manufacturers are located in a number of eastern cities. though the raw material that comes to this country is usually landed at this port. The cost of manufacturing is the principal item of expense. About 80 per cent, of the cost of the manufactured article is in the labor. The greatest production in this country was in 1880 and 1890, but the Germans are now able to successfully compete with American manufactures."-New York Telegram.

A Woman's Superstition.

That the Friday superstition had any hold on the sex I was not, however. society and so good a business woman that she has for years managed a vast estate herself and made money by it. She was arranging for the purchase of "Because," replied the dowager, "it is Friday, and I never do business on Friday." And nothing could move her from her resolution.—New York Cor. Pittsburg Bulletin,

How He Enjoyed It.

"Oh, yes, very much," he replied

"I don't know." Why, Mr. Chinkley, how could you

"I wasn't there, Mrs. Bifstake. Please

pass me the butter."-Detroit Free Press.

Stilts as a Means of Lecomotion. In some parts of Malaysia the natives walk almost habitually on stilts. Nature and necessity have brought about this result, as excessive inundations of . river and sea often submerge the whole surface of the land in many places, rendering ordinary modes of locomotion impossible. In parts of Holland also it is society" whose chief object is the expulsion of the Chinese from the country. The movement has many followers.

Brooklyn Eagle.

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