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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 measure while many reasons might be given in its favor.

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 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.

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 him a lesson on "heresy" and "departure from the faith" that ought to make him feel that he is an awful wicked man.

The Heppner Gazette is in it "heart and soul" for an open river. It says: When we do the work ourselves as a state it will be done. Till then, only talk.

The Hood River people are kicking vigorously at the big tax bill they have to pay this year. The Glacier says: If this county will kindly take some of the property for part payment of the taxes and wait until our citizens can earn the balance, we feel certain they will cheerfully pay it.

David B. Hill's star is now in the ascendant and the papers that have been saying mean things about him are engaged in letting themselves down to an adjustment with the new condition of things.

Researches in the census office disclose the fact that there are in the United States 12,500,000 families, and of these 10,025,000 are living in houses, or on farms, that are not incumbered by any mortgage obligations.

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Walla Walla has a "Mutual Aid society" whose chief object is the expulsion of the Chinese from the country. The movement has many followers.

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 all that, certain of these emblems were used by different makers, and even in different countries, with slight variations—"brasures," as they are called in heraldry—which were evidently not accidental, but intentional.

The names of the principal sizes of "papier vergé" 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, etc.

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 very easy and clean way of obtaining a goodly show of beautiful flowers.

The principal use of vegetable ivory now," said a broker who deals in the article incidentally, "is in the manufacture of buttons. A good many people probably think that the buttons on their spring clothes are made of rubber or bone—and so they used to be.

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.

That the Friday superstition had any hold on the sex I was not, however, aware. I imagined that it was confined to sailors and felons sentenced to death. But last week I met in a lawyer's office a lady of my acquaintance eminent in society and so good a business woman that she has for years managed a vast estate herself and made money by it.

"Did you enjoy the sermon this morning?" asked the landlady Sunday of the star boarder. "Oh, yes, very much," he replied promptly. "What was the text?" "I don't know."

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.

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