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The uniformity which distinguishes the utterances of republican and democratic papers of the Pacific coast and Grover Cleveland's action on the Geary bill gives additional glitter to Mr. Weaver's candidacy in 1896. Even Tom Geary himself would have come out as a populist if he could have anticipated Mr. Cleveland's suspension of the provisions of his bill. Taken in connection with the fact that the Geary bill was never intended as a deportation measure, but simply to bar the illegal importation of coolies, the failure of the administration to comply with the constitutional mandate with regard to the enforcement of the laws of the land places Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Carlisle on the defensive.

It seems that Gov. Pennoyer is thoroughly aroused over the action of President Cleveland and intimates that he will be a prime mover in an impeachment trial, before the next regular session of congress. The assumption of Cleveland has evidently brought down upon that functionary's devoted head more than the thunderings of the press, and between his anxiety in the day time and his coming tribulations throughout the watches of the night his peace of mind is destined to undergo a severe wrench.

The Washington hotels are suffering this summer through the loss of a large transient custom which they usually enjoy from the great number of tourists that visit the capital annually. They are taking in the world's fair at Chicago instead. From spring until winter, usually, Washington is full of these travelers, and it has been the special objective point of newly-married couples. Josh and bride will this summer take in Chicago and will in turn be taken in to an extent that will prove a revelation.

Roseburg wants the capital removed from Salem to Albina. Against which place has it the greater grudge?—Portland Telegram. The state has had to contend with Roseburg politicians altogether too much to allow very much dictation from that quarter.—Salem Journal. The probability is that the question will be a prominent one before the next general election, in which we will all take part.

It was discouraging on the dress reformers to have a woman from Syria remind them that the reform movement is slipping backward more rapidly in Syria than it is going forward in this country. The same may be said of Japan or Persia, and of innumerable semi-civilized countries. Everywhere the common-sense dress of women is giving way to the mode of Paris.

The law concerning the location of all state institutions at Salem promises to be harder to enforce than the Geary act, for lack of a sufficient appropriation. Will somebody please figure up what it will cost to move the portage road at the Cascades, which is a state institution, to Salem, and report before the next session of the legislature.

President Cleveland, the Duke of Veragua and the Liberty bell are the biggest things in Chicago so far.—Boston Herald. Well, hardly! Wait till you settle your board bill.—Chicago Dispatch.

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## ABOUT HANDWRITING.

An Expert Declares That It Is Degenerating.

The Chirography of Writers for the Press Growing Worse on Account of Hurry and Fatigue—Faults of Teaching.

Is it true that handwriting is growing worse and worse all the world over? This is the statement of Mr. Jackson in his "Theory and Practice of Handwriting." Official reports, says the London News, seem to confirm Mr. Jackson's belief. On the other hand, persons of considerable experience in reading literary manuscripts and examination papers of the higher orders can hardly agree with him. As a rule, the manuscripts of novels and of examination papers are legible and even rather pleasing. The exceptions are scarcely four per cent. in examination papers; in novels an author foolishly sends in a mere rough draft, with erasures and additions tacked on by pins or waste ends of postage stamp paper. But these examples of handwriting are the work, except as regards many novels, of rather highly educated persons, and they throw no light on the hands of people far from literary.

The letters of servant girls and of other people without aspirations to culture are often penned in excellent and characteristic hands, and, on the whole, we do not think that the age writes ill, as a general rule. Naturally people who have to write great quantities of "copy" for the press or for other purposes find their hands, if Roman and 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 hands suffer least from writers' cramp. Mr. Jackson, however, thinks that writing is very bad, that its badness is due to bad teaching, promiscuously selected models (he prefers examples on the blackboard to headlines), and, above all, the error is in sloping as opposed to perpendicular or vertical writing. The natural 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 facilitates 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 Moabite stone), the Greek, whether on inscriptions on stone, on vases, or in writing on papyrus; but not, we think, in the Italian hand copied from the writing of Musurus in the editions of Aldus. The Italian 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 Italics seem to us to suggest a doubt on this point.

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