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EDITORIAL.

Uncle Sam is now after the Sultan of Morocco, to collect that little bill the sultan owes him, while that greater debtor, the Sultan of Turkey is no doubt laughing in his sleeve and wondering why Uncle Sam does not collect what he owes him.

Rumors from the seat of disturbances in the Orient are varying, and many seem to be without foundation. The news vendor is falling into the ways of the neighborhood gossip only on a larger scale.

China has refused to bind the Russian-Chinese treaty and rejects the convention with Russia respecting the control of Manchuria. There is a big game of chess on between the powers, and while China is the prize of the allied powers, and each with-out doubt, is striving to get 1st, 2nd, 3rd and last prize, there seems a secret understanding amongst the allies that Russia shall not win out in the game.

When we take into consideration what a convenience the Nicaragua canal would prove to the people generally, and to the United States in particular, we wonder why our government is so slow to launch out upon its construction, and conclude that the transcontinental railroads and other opposing corporations have used all the surplus water in their stock so that there is none left for the canal.

The status of political parties of today is a thorough mix up of principle. Equity and greed are each striving for the mastery. Equity steps in and urges the rights of all, hence, we have the humanitarian and socialist branching out and growing in all political organizations. On the other hand, Greed, who is always to the front wherever there is wealth to be massed, rushes forward to secure the lion's share, and to choke out Justice, justifying himself in the implied argument that he has the right to secure the earth and the fullness thereof to the detriment of the rest of mankind.

Socialists Successful.

Contra, March 19.—Herren Libman and Book, Socialists, were today elected president and vice-president of the United Diet of Saxo-Coburg and Gotha, the first German Parliament to choose both presiding officers from the Socialist party.

The Estray Law.

The last legislature passed a law regulating estrays which should be understood by persons who take up such animals as there is provision for a fine of \$10 to \$100 for taking up an estray without complying with the provisions of the act. When an estray is taken up three notices have to be posted. It is provided that no estrays shall be taken up during the months of May to November inclusive except brachy or vicious animals which may be taken up in any month. Within ten days the owner may claim and secure the animal upon the payment of \$1 fee and a reasonable price for keeping it. After ten days the county clerk is notified and the animal is appraised and sold, being advertised in a newspaper if valued above \$15.

In a cyclone in Alabama last Monday about 30 people were killed and a great deal of property was destroyed.

Negroes in Cuba, to the number of 18,000, who are of Congo origin are trying to make arrangements to go back to the land of their origin to settle and carry on business.

Oregonian: The Nicaragua Canal is in the hands of its enemies. It is strong with students, publicists and the people generally—everywhere, in fact, except where favor can do it good, everywhere except in Congress and Cabinets at London and Washington.

Not a move has been made in the canal project except as a false pretense of furtherance designed to cover up real hostility. Great Britain for example, is solicitous for the completion of Continental Europe—her dear friends across the Channel who are waiting a good chance to fly at her throat. She is so anxious for the canal, too, that she delays her answer to the treaty till Congress adjourns and cannot act.

British millions are invested in American railroad stocks, bonds and mortgages. In this country everybody of consequence wants the canal, but they want just the kind of a canal that can't be built. They want a canal treaty that Great Britain won't accept, they want such local conditions of sovereignty as Nicaragua and Costa Rica can't accept. If we can't have fortifications, then nothing but a fortified canal will do. If we must build a canal within our means, then the only canal that will suit them is one costing more than we can pay. If Congress won't stand for neutralization, then we must by all means have a neutralization treaty. We are in favor of advancing the canal in all impossible ways, by treaties that can't be ratified, by commissions that can't agree. It must be built under conditions of territorial ownership that can't be obtained, and over-impossible routes, because the stockholders of American transcontinental railroads must be protected. The single concession that Congress will make is to permit poor, old, garrulous Morgan to speak indefinitely in empty seats in the Senate, in order to make a laughing-stock of the whole affair. When the National conventions of both parties meet next time they should adopt the uniform plank: We profess to favor the Nicaragua Canal, but we favor the enactment only of such laws and the negotiation only of such treaties as will make its construction impossible because our souls are not our own. We are bought with a price, and that price is the favor of Wall street.

Telegram: The color of the reports from China indicates Russian aggressiveness and audacity. Russia knows that England is in no position at present to strike back, but Great Britain, even with the South African war on its hands, will not bear much more from Russia without bellowing resentment. England is nerved to face a struggle with Russia by the consideration that Japan will be England's ally, and not an insignificant one, either. But these little spats will not be serious for the present, though every day brings these nations nearer to the inevitable struggle for supremacy.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors prescribed it as a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

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MONTHLY WEATHER REPORT. HAIN COUNTY, OREGON. FEBRUARY 1901.

Mean temperature 44.5. Maximum temperature 67 on 28. Minimum temperature 22 on 8, 18. Precipitation 11.56 inches. Total snowfall 11 inches. No. days clear 14. Partly cloudy 4. Cloudy 10. Thunder storms on 2. Dates of frost light 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 13. Dates of frost 2, 7, 17. Prevailing wind S. W. Remarks: Elevation 1242 ft. JOSEPH HARE, Voluntary Observer.

NOTICE. My wife, Elva J. Hays, having left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, I hereby notify all parties that I will not be responsible for any debts she may contract. Dated at Bandon, February 28, 1901. G. C. HAIN.

What is, perhaps, the most wonderful watch in the world is in the possession of a resident of Prince George county, Maryland.

This remarkable timepiece, known as the Mantle watch, from the name of its maker, was made at Lucerne, Switzerland, about forty years ago. It formed a feature of the Swiss exhibit at the Centennial exposition held at Philadelphia in 1876, and was purchased on that occasion by its present owner. A description of the watch by Mark Twain (S. L. Clemens) is a remarkable proof of accuracy as humorous. The well known writer thus gives his impressions of the marvelous piece of mechanism:

"I have examined the wonderful watch made by H. L. Matie, and indeed it comes nearer to being a human being than any piece of mechanism I ever saw before. In fact, it knows considerably more than the average voter. It knows the movements of the moon, and keeps exact record of them; it tells the days of the week, the date of the month, and the month of the year, and will do this perpetually; it tells the hour of the day and the minute and second, and even splits the second into fifths and marks the division by stop hands, having two of the latter; it can take accurate rate of two race horses that start, not together, but one after another; it is a repeater (tells the voter is suggested again), and minutely chimes the hour, the quarter, the half and the three-quarter hour, and also minutes that have passed of an uncompleted quarter hour; that a blind man can tell the exact time of day by it is the exact truth.

"Such is this extraordinary watch. It opens to admiration. I should think one could add another wheel and make it read and write; still another and make it talk. And I think one might take out several of the wheels that are already in it and it would still be a more intelligent citizen than some that help to govern the country. On the whole, I think it is entitled to vote—that is, if the sex is of the right kind."

The watch, now sold for a thousand dollars, and it is still performing its complex functions with the greatest regularity. Washington, D.C.

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