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THE PACIFIC RAILWAYS.

The president's message to congress upon the subject of the obligations of the Pacific railroads to the government, does not seem to instruct in any practical way, the legislators how to cut the gordian knot of that complicated affair.

The democratic Cincinnati Enquirer thinks that perhaps the most significant appointment in the whole list is that of Mr. Outhwaite to head the committee on Pacific railroads. That seems to mean an endorsement of his bill of the last congress to give the roads an extension of time in which to pay their obligations to the government—a measure openly approved by Senator Thurman, the fiercest and ablest antagonist of Pacific railroad mismanagement that congress has known.

Probably that paper is about right in its conjectures, and perhaps it is just as well to give them further time, as undoubtedly they will in the end be given the entire debt. Not so, however, if they were individuals instead of corporations.

WORK CREATES GENIUS.

Most of people think that all of the great men of the world have become so because they originally possessed special aptitude for the work they performed.

There perhaps may be a slight foundation for such a belief, but it is too slight to be accepted as an axiom of human condition. Investigation will show that hard continuous work has given nearly all of the wonderful human productions, and that special proclivities in any direction seldom amounts to any results unless accompanied with the closest application.

In studying up this subject the Magazine of American History finds some very interesting facts: It is said that the habits contracted by genius assist the action of the mind. Cicero tells us how his eloquence caught inspiration from constant study of the Latin and Grecian poetry. Pompey never undertook any considerable enterprise without contracting his thoughts upon the character of Achilles in the first Iliad although he acknowledged that the enthusiasm he caught came rather from the poet than the hero. Bossuet, before composing a funeral oration always retired for several days to his study and pored over the pages of Homer. Alfieri usually predisposed his mind before composing by listening to music. Leonardo da Vinci, while painting "Lisa," kept musicians constantly in waiting to play light harmonies, which inspired the ideas within his mind of "Topsy-dance and revelry."

Haydn would never sit down to compose except in full dress, with diamond ring upon his finger, and he used the finest and costliest paper for his musical compositions. Rousseau confesses to the influence of rose-colored knots of ribbon tied to his portfolio, of fine paper, brilliant ink and gold sand. The faculty of memory is the foundation of genius. Few, comparatively, are acquainted with the fine machinery of the memory, which is capable of being regulated and governed as the clock on the mantel. A celebrated writer, whose memory was treacherous, arranged book with three hundred and fifty-five pages, to accommodate the days of the year, and resolved to recollect an anecdote for every day as insignificant and remote as he was able, rejecting all anecdotes under ten years of age; and to his surprise he filled every inch of space, although, until this experiment was tried, he had no conception of the extent of his faculty. "Oh, the German metaphysician, lates of himself that by the most persevering habit he resolved his gebric problems in bed and in arkness, and geometrically composed all his methods by the aid of imagination and memory. To register the transactions of the day, with observation upon them, an exercise that soon drifts into habit as profitable as it soon becomes easy. It was thus that Curwen educated himself in the art of sinking.

Even in these cases of erratic genius. Indeed the truth of the saying that there is no e-

cellence without great labor is the one prominent fact that should be constantly kept in sight.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The wonderful growth of railroads in this country is one of the most striking examples of our growth and progress that we have. It is said that the miles of railroad constructed in 1887 footed up nearly 12,000, and there is a strong probability that this rate of development will be maintained this year. There are many who affect to be levee that railroad construction has advanced too rapidly in the United States, but they are the same pessimists who declared in 1883 that the country could not for twenty years to come adequately support the roads then in existence. Since then we have added 30,000 miles to our system, and, as has already been observed, the prospects are that in the next four years we shall supplement them with 50,000 more miles. Perhaps no more active civilizer can be found than these same railroads. It brings people together and makes every man in a measure a cosmopolite.

It is said that the bones of the leg of Gen. Dan. Sickles lost at Gettysburg are preserved in a glass case in the national medical museum at Washington. Apparently Dan has had a Key to the future, for he can go and see how his bare bones will look.

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Dated December 7, 1887.

JULIA A. SHORE, Executrix.

HEWITT & BRYANT, Attorneys for Executrix.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, executor of the last will and testament of Elisha Harry, deceased, has filed in the county court of Linn county, Oregon, his final account as such executor, and the said court has appointed Monday, the 6th day of February, 1888, at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon of said day, for the hearing of objections to said account and the settlement thereof.

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