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The French gentleman who attended the Empress Eugenie at Sues, was most gorgeously entertained by the eunuchs at Constantinople under the impression that he was one of them.

The Darien Canal.

The opening and successful operation of the Suez Canal has infused new life into the project for a canal across the Isthmus of Darien, and there is every reason to believe that a practicable route has been discovered.

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A Mexican Land Scheme.

J. M. Kirkpatrick, who used to live here, shows and acts, afterwards a resident of the mining regions of Eastern Oregon and Owyhee, has been heard from in Lower Mexico.

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TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

Washington, Feb. 13.—The Senate Judiciary Committee today by a majority agreed to report favorably on the nominations of Bradley and S. Long for Justices of the Supreme Court.

Chicago, Feb. 13.—Washington special says the inquiry into the sale of cadetships will bring out some curious and disgraceful facts. It has been reported that a member of the present Congress from North Carolina, a candidate for the office of a cadet apportionment, had received \$5,000 for a cadet apportionment.

Chicago, Feb. 14.—Washington officials say a Peace Conference from the South American Republics is to be held there in six weeks. Spain has assented to the proposal for mediation.

St. Louis, Feb. 13.—The directors of the Missouri Pacific Railroad, yesterday, ratified a new contract with the Missouri River road, and the acting President has gone to Leavenworth to take possession of the road and arrange for through transit to Atchison.

New Orleans, Feb. 13.—Two of the Consolidated bank robbers have been arrested. The other two, who were in the hands of the police, are being held in the city.

New York, Feb. 13.—The Herald's money article says, the gold room is becoming very bearish, and freely talks of a decline in the price of gold.

There were two cases of probable homicide last night. A young man threw an old father down stairs, and finished by cutting the throat of a young man in the street. Another man was stabbed four times.

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Those Premium Cups.

Mr. Enron—Different ones are trying to economize for the State Agricultural Society, and I don't see why I can not have a little say as well as some others.

The National Hotel was considerably damaged by fire. The reconstruction committee agreed to report a bill for the general removal of disabilities and putting matters in the U. S. Courts.

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Mohammed.

Mohammed was a little above the medium stature, strongly built, with broad shoulders and a slight stoop, his hair was black, and in his prime clustered over his ears; his beard and mustache of the same color, the latter luxuriant, reaching half-way down his chest; his forehead large, with a prominent vein which swelled when angry; his complexion fair, eyes large, black, piercing, blood-shot, and restless, his teeth, white and well formed, stood apart, his walk so rapid that others needed to run to keep pace with him; and his gait like that of a man striding down hill.

It was simple in all his apparel; never wore silk but once, and then three fit aside in disgust, saying it was fit dress for a man. His common attire was cotton, striped with white and red. Like all Arabs, he had no taste for comfort. A low hut of burnt tiling, with a palm-tree roof, would have been preferred to a palace.

Still, he was in some things of extremely delicate and sensitive taste, as in the use of perfumes, and distaste for unpleasant colors.

At Medina he once sent back a dish of mutton flavored with onions, saying it was not agreeable to his angel. He never traveled without tooth-picks, and autonomy for his eyes. He listened well in conversation, and in shaking hands was never the first to withdraw his own.

He was not, like Arabs in general, passionately fond of sports and games, and in all things most unlike the heroic ideal of Arabian character.

He was born at the city of Mecca, A. D. 571, from which place he fled to Medina, July 16, 622. This flight gave rise to the epoch in chronology called the Hegira, which in Arabic denotes to flee, or quit one's country or home.

The creed of Mohammed was planned in a cave near Mecca. A Persian Jew, well versed in history and the laws, and two Christians, were his assistants. One of the latter was the Jacobite, and the other of the Nestorian sect. With this help he framed the Koran, which he believed to receive from the angel Gabriel, written in the Korish Arabic, which he declared was the language of Paradise. In this language there are 1,000 terms for sword, 500 for lion, 200 for serpent, and 80 for honey.

It is supposed to be written about A. D. 610, and its object was to unite Jews and Christians, with the different professions of idolatry, in the worship of one God, under certain laws and ceremonies exacting obedience to Mahomet as Prophet. The style of the volume is fluent, elegant, and beautiful, and where the attributes of God are described, it is sublime and magnificent. It admits the divine mission of both Moses and Christ. The leading article of faith is compounded of an eternal truth and a necessary fiction, namely: that there is only one God, and Mahomet is his apostle. He died in 631, of the effects of a slow poison, given to him by a Jew, three years before, in a piece of mutton, in order to disseminate his religion, and to show the world that he was a true prophet, and immortal, as he declared himself to be. Millions have visited his shrine since that day, from every quarter of the globe.

A bill has been reported favorably in the Legislature of Pennsylvania, authorizing the courts of that State to grant divorces in all cases where the best interest of the plaintiff and the good of public morality will be promoted. That's the Indiana platform.

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