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A number of heavy white millstones were piled on one of the docks along the river. They were consigned to some interior towns forty or fifty miles from the city, and were of the style, make and finish so long in use. An old man, with a slouched hat pulled down so far over his face that his small, fast blinking eyes were hid from view, stood a little way back on the wharf and talked to a young man whom he had halted and asked for a match. "Millstones have nearly gone out of date," said he, with a half mournful air, "and with them has gone the occupation I have followed for thirty years. See here," and the old man crowded his hat over on the back part of his head and lifted his face for the first time into plain sight. It was pitted all over with numberless ugly dimples, depressions, and cuts and looked as if he might some day have had the smallpox.

"Do you know how that was done?" he asked. The young man did not know. "By picking millstones," was the quick volunteered information. "No one who has ever followed the business of giving those stones that keen cut texture that enables them to crush and grind grain can escape these cuts and scars. Why, my face is literally filled up with little particles of steel and stone, and my eyes have seasons of paining me terribly. But the profession has about run its race. In ten years the dictionary makers will put the word 'obsolete' after the noun 'millstone.' Modern inventions have relegated the time-honored millstone to oblivion. New processes have been discovered for extracting flour from the wheat, beside which the millstone has no show."

The young man began to grow interested. He drew his companion into the doorway of a little switch shanty, secured permission for the two to sit down a moment before the fire and asked him to continue.

"Nowadays," said the old man, "wheat is crushed between rollers, and the flour produced is much supeaior to the old make. Then, too, the bran, that was once thought to be almost worthless, is now sifted by a new process, and a quality of flour is separated that is worth forty or fifty cents more per sack than the common variety. You have heard that the best part of a potato lay just beneath the skin. Recent scientific experiments have shown that it is true of all vegetables, especially of the wheat. This suggested the construction of a sieve that would separate the little particles of the kernel that cling to the shuck when it has been broken up and ground to pieces. It was successful and the flour secured in this way, while small in quantity, is of superior quality. This latter process was only made possible by the new method of grinding wheat that has been generally adopted by all the large mills in this country. But in the mean time my occupation has been gradually undermined. Once in a while I have a call to go somewhere into the country to dress a stone, but it is very seldom.

"Most of the millstones in use in this country are of French burr, a sillicious rock, containing many small rough cavities, and requiring less preparation than a perfectly plain stone. It is quarried in the geological district known as the 'Paris basin.' A quarry has been worked for many years in the valley of the Savannah river, about one hundred miles above the city of Savannah, and the quality of the stones secured are said to be almost equal to those produced in France. The lower stone has generally a smooth grinding surface. The moving stone is hollowed toward the center to allow the material ground to flow freely between the grinding surfaces. The faces of both stones have to be cut with straight groves in direction inclined radii. The edges of the groves are thus given a cutting action somewhat resembling that of scissor blades, and a tendency to force the grain outward toward the circumference is secured, this accelerating the feeding and avoiding choking. To do this work perfect requires an enormous amount of practice, and an apprentice must serve four or five years on cheap stones before he is allowed to touch the most valuable ones. Machines were once invented to do the cutting but they were not a success. It was a hard business to learn, and in its day very profitable. Modern innovations, however, have no sympathy for workingmen, and in ten years it is doubtful if there will be a mill-stone in use in this country."

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Justin S. Morrill of Vermont is the oldest United States senator. He will be 75 years of age next April. He has had as long continuous service as Clay or Benton, and longer than any one at present in public life. He has been in congress since 1855. He was a member of the house from that period until 1867. He has been in the senate ever since. He has been recently elected for another term. If he should live to the end of that term he would be 81 years old. This would give him a record of thirty-five years in congress. This is a longer record of continuous service than any one has yet made in our history. There is no reason why he should not live to the end of his term, and even longer. The senator is in most excellent health, and looks fully as young today as many men in the senate fifteen years younger than he. He appears to have a better lease of life than his colleague, who is nearly twenty years younger than he. A stranger would not think there was much difference in the ages of the Vermont senators.

An interesting discovery is reported to have been made by the governor of Irkutsk in the course of a prolonged inspection of the province, which shows that Siberia is still an unknown country, even to the Russian authorities. His excellency came across the little town of Ilim, with 500 inhabitants, 160 houses and four ancient churches, with remarkable relics of Cossack times. It is still under the republican rule of a vetche or public assembly, convoked by a bell, as in the time of old Novgorod the great, although the new municipal institutions were supposed to have been applied to that part of the empire ten years ago. Not one of the inhabitants can read or write.

The Vancouver *Independent* says: The special agents of the interior department are making matters lively for men who have perjured themselves in giving testimony on land proofs. Two weeks ago special agent Stubbs brought one man back from New York, to be tried in the next term of court, and last week, George Taylor, an employee of the Columbia River Lumbering Company, was arrested for frauds committed in Cowlitz county. Dr. Charles Large is also implicated on the same charge. Edward Bodine of Kalama has also been arrested on a similar charge. Perhaps several more cases will be brought on at the next term of court.

In Norway and Sweden accumulations of moss, often more than a foot thick and half decomposed, serve to make paper and mill-board as hard as the wood, blocks of which formed by the hydraulic press may even be turned in the lathe and polished. This substance is said to possess the good qualities of wood without the defects, such as warping and splitting, so that it is sutiable for making doors and windows. Plant has, it is said, been laid down in Sweden for working up these deposite of a hitherto waste substance into a useful material.

A young minister said several times, when giving some exposition of a passage: "The critics and commentators do not agree with me here." Next morning a poor woman came to see him with something in her apron, saying, as she inquired for "the master," "He said in his sermon yesterday, 'The common taters did not agree with him here,' so I have brought him some of the very best Jersey Blues."

The Yakima Indians thought they could improve on the work of the Northern Pacific engineers. After the stakes were driven by the engineers some of them came along, pulled up the stakes on the prairie and set them over in the wagon road, at the same time remarking: "That road has been traveled a good many years and we guess it will do for the railroad."

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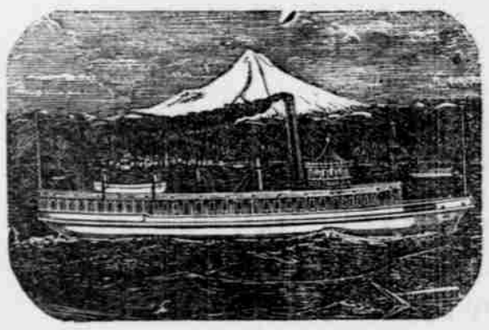

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