

This is a big country, as has been remarked by somebody before, and it is no small undertaking to change all the postmasters in time so that the postal service shall be an effective political machine at the next election. But Clarkson has been unusually energetic, and if he wants a vacation he ought to have it. Some idea of how hard he has worked can be gained by a comparison with the moderate course of President Cleveland's administration. When Mr. Cleveland came in he found all the postoffices of the country filled with republicans, and when dismissals began to be made there was a great hue and cry by his political opponents. There was such bitterness as was never manifested by a defeated party in this country before or since. As democratic appointees began to assume their duties, there was inaugurated in many places a systematic boycott of the postoffices, and men who had previously been regarded as above petty meanness, stooped to so small business as the gathering up of mail matter and putting on board mail cars direct in order that the salaries of democratic postmasters might be reduced. It was business of which decent men in any party might well be ashamed, and yet it was continued throughout the incumbency of worthy officials. One would have thought that a great wrong had been inflicted upon the republicans, and yet, from March 4 to July 15, 1885, only about 400 postmasters had been appointed, while in the corresponding period of the present year there have been about 13,000 or more than 100 for every working day. If the work had not been delayed by factional fights in some of the states, the number would have been still larger. A great deal has been said about the hungry and thirsty democracy, but no such exhibition of hate and greed was ever witnessed under democratic rule as has been developed on the return of the republicans to power.

THE STORY OF A DOG'S TAIL.

Dr. Patterson of Chicago was preaching a very earnest discourse, and was carrying his congregation with him, when an English pug dog crossed the line of his vision. The dog attracted the attention of no one in the auditorium, and there was no reason why it should have attracted the attention of the preacher, but the thought came to him that the dog had his tail curled about as tight as circumstances would permit. Then came the question if the tail was curled once more what would happen. Would it not be possible to curl the tail so tight as to lift the hinder parts of the dog and start him walking on his fore feet with his tail in the air? All the time he had been going on with his sermon, but when this conceit of giving the dog's tail an extra curl came over him he burst into a hoarse laugh. The interruption came not only in the middle of a proposition, but in the middle of a sentence. He broke off without ceremony into a laugh that startled himself quite as much as the congregation. Once started he found it very difficult to stop, and although he used his handkerchief and made a pretense of having a paroxysm of coughing, still he laughed till the tears came. Even when he started again on his sermon he found great difficulty in getting away from the idea of that dog's tail, and several times his voice trembled, and he had to shake himself as one in a dream.

The largest ship in the British navy, the Trafalga, launched two years ago, has at last tried her engines with success. She is 345 feet long, 73 feet beam and 12,815 horse power drove her 17.28 knots.

Secretary Noble's house in Washington, the Tiffany mansion, is one of the most luxuriously furnished houses in the city. It contains among many other interesting things, a valuable collection of ancient armor.

Mrs. Thompson, postmistress at Louisville, Ky., has a salary of \$4000 a year. She is one of the most efficient of public servants, and has held her place for eight years. She is a daughter of the late Alexander Campbell.

Governor Lowry of Mississippi has caused the arrest of Queen and Crescent railway officials for assisting in the violation of the laws of the state and protecting the criminals of the Sullivan-Kilrain prize fight from the officers of the law.

The promoters of the salt trust have been discouraged. Their scheme to involve both sides of the Atlantic in a grand combination has broken down for want of capital, due to the growing hostility to trusts. So be it ever.

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A Pennsylvania court has decided that a letter written by a deceased woman, Mrs. Harriet Knox of Pittsburgh, disposing of her property and signed merely "Harriet," is to all interests and purposes a will. Heretofore witnesses to the signature have been supposed necessary. The case will probably be tested further, though the property involved in this particular case is small.

Small boys will be interested to know that the favorite slipper for women for indoor wear the coming season will be bright orange red and bronze kid. Whether it will be a favorite with the small boy will depend upon whether it is also felt.

Princess Sophia, of Prussia, who is to be married to the Duke of Sparta, will have \$500,000 from the private fortune of her father, the late Emperor Frederick, and \$75,000 from her mother, besides \$20,000 a year from the Hohenzollern family funds.

If you have any job work to do call on G. W. Smith who is prepared to do it with neatness and dispatch, just as cheap as anyone.

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J. H. STRICKLER, Secretary.
Salem, Oregon, July 24th, 1889.

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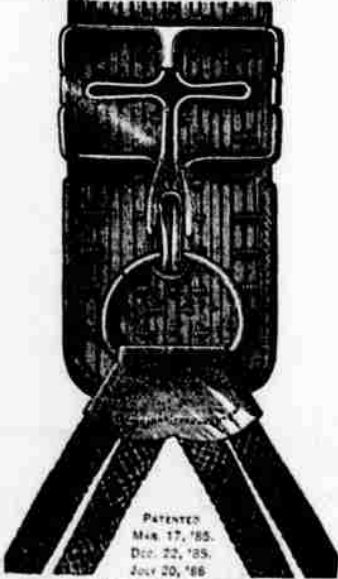
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