

The Democrat.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The sage of the Portland *Oregonian* takes unbrage at our strictures on his methods of desecrating dead men's memories, and characterizes our recent remarks as the "essence of bitterness." If he will but apply the same gauge to his own rantings against men, the latchet of whose shoes he is worthy to unloose, he can but form the conclusion that his pitiable pretense at criticism is truly the quintessence of gall. If the case of the dead statesman under discussion was the only instance where Scott had striven to drag the life work of national heroes through the mire of his imaginings while their bodies yet lay in funeral state, there might be some palliation for the offense against decency and propriety. But coming as it did after the policy of the paper had become so notorious, this outrage upon propriety richly deserved the censure which every right minded man bestowed upon its perpetrator. Any man or organ that has the hardihood to distort history and misrepresent facts to the extent of branding a man as a traitor, while all the rest of the world is pausing to do him reverence as one of the greatest benefactors of the human race, is deserving of unqualified condemnation; and the unmanly act of the detractor excites only disgust and repugnance in the minds of men of every shade of opinion. Scott's admission, grudgingly as it was made, that S. S. Cox had brought the life-saving service of the country to its present high state of perfection, resulting in the saving of 12,000 lives and \$16,000,000 in property since its inception, ought to have been sufficient in itself to protect the man's memory from the heartless assailant who stabs in the dark and derives a gloating pleasure from a wordy attack upon a victim who is absent or dead. To have made it the settled policy of the *Oregonian* to detract from the fair fame of every man, living or gone, who has differed in opinion from its dyspeptic and vindictive editor, ought to be distinction enough for a machiavellian. To defend the practice as dignified and in accord with universally accepted ideas of propriety, is little short of monumental assurance. To justify the policy of attempting to bolster up false charges by willful perversion of historical facts, is little short of idiocy, and it occasions no surprise to learn that the stockholders have found it necessary to supersede Scott with a managing editor from St. Paul—a man, we trust, who will have a little of the milk of human kindness in his bosom, some manliness and decency, and who will use ink and not *agua fortis* in inditing his leaders.—*Jacksonville Times*.

TANNING HIDES.

The process of converting hides into leather as now followed consumes a space of time varying from six to twelve months. It also demands close attention and good management, as well as experience. Great care has to be taken in the selection of material, else a lot of choice hides are found at the expiration of the tanning season to have deteriorated into second or even third quality leather. Tanners and leather dealers generally are accredited with being very careful and conservative in all their business methods.

With these facts in view it is not surprising that when it is reported from France that leather was being tanned by electricity American tanners regarded the statement as a newspaper sensation. Twenty-four hours was considered pretty quick work for even electricity.

The process is described by those who have seen it as a very simple one. The hides are placed in large cylinders, which revolve upon horizontal axes. The drum is filled with a decoction of tannin and closed. Provision is made for the passing of a current of electricity through the drum. The drum is kept slowly revolving until the process of tanning is completed. The length of time required varies with the nature of the hide. For the lighter skins, such as sheep and goat, which used to require from three to six months, by the electric process are tanned in 24 hours. The heavier hides, such as calf, ox, cow or horse, require from 72 to 96 hours. By the old fashioned bark process 12 months or even more would have been taken. The cost of production is greatly reduced by this method, for not only is there saving in time, but in labor. The actual cost of working is reduced over 50 per cent. By the bark process the cost of tanning is from 7 to 8 cents per pound of dry leather, as against that of 30 or 40 cents by the electric methods. And again, where a force of fifty men were required to produce a given quantity of leather, only ten are needed to produce the same by the new methods. Heretofore large capital has been required to run a tannery having a regular weekly output.

As hides often require to lie in the tan vats nearly a year, it will be seen that a great number must be in process of tanning in order that a certain amount of leather be turned out each week. In addition to extensive plant, heavy investments are represented by the hides in tanning. But the electric process completely revolutionized this. Hides purchased on Monday have been converted into leather and put on the market by Saturday.

A beautiful white marble bust of Mrs Cleveland, upon a pedestal of black and white marble, is at present occupying a corner of Marshall Wilson's drawing room in Washington. It was left in his charge when Mr Cleveland went to New York. The bust of life-size, and is the work of G. Scanki, Genoa, and bears the date 1886. It was made from impression taken when Miss Folsom she traveled in Europe.

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