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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1888.

VERY few writers in this country can command \$1.25 a word for their literary work, but that is what Jas. G. Blaine was paid for his article on Cleveland in the American Magazine.

The largest passenger engine in the world has just been finished by the Rogers works, Providence, R. I. for the New York, Providence and Boston railroad.

The lately metamorphosed Runchgrass Blade of Lexington, recently said of a delinquent subscriber: "May he starve to death among Chinese pirates and the devil toss him on a red-hot pitchfork for a thousand years."

In order to fumigate the mails which leave Jacksonville, Fla., they are emptied loose into a large box which has a wire bottom, and brimstone or other disinfectants are burned under the box from eight to twelve hours.

A NOVEL electric railway is undergoing construction at St. Paul, Minn. The railroad is an elevated structure and the cars are hung below it close to the street level.

DURING rainy weather any umbrella, if sufficiently valuable, left neglected and unprotected in any place, is the legitimate plunder of the next gentleman who comes along.

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THE appeal of cheapness ought to have no force with intelligent workmen, for the simple reason that the countries in which living is cheapest are the most miserable in the world.

A former policeman of Los Angeles says about three weeks ago, near Rock Springs, San Bernardino county, a band of Mojave Indians tied a young squaw who was reported bewitched to a stake and burned her alive.

THE ASSESSMENT LAW.

The law provides [Sec. 2752, Statutes of Oregon] that the assessor shall assess all property "at its true cash value." True cash value shall be held and taken to mean the amount such property would sell for at a voluntary sale in the ordinary course of business and not what it would bring at public auction or forced sale.

"The present system of taxation is the most unjust and unequal system ever promulgated into law by a legislature," says the Astoria Pioneer. "It opens the door for fraud. It puts a premium on dishonesty. It compels the small property-owners to pay the bulk of the taxes. The majority of the improvements on property in the business portion of the city is not assessed at one half its rental value. The fault is not with the assessor, it is with the custom heretofore established in this state. From this statement of facts, has the taxpayer any right to kick at his assessment? If there is any unjust law that needs repealing it is the Oregon law of assessment and taxation. We hope the representatives to the legislature will bring this matter up at the ensuing session make an assessment law that will compel men to be honest, that will be assessed and compel assessors to assess all property at its true value, and repeal this dishonest swindling scheme of deducting indebtedness from the assessed value of property. If the property of Clatsop county was assessed at its 'true cash value,' and there was no allowance for indebtedness, the tax levy for all purposes, instead of being 4 per cent, would be 1 per cent. When the people talk of immigrating to a state, or capitalists want to invest in any public or private enterprise, they always ask, 'what is the rate of taxation?' Comparative tables show the rate to be higher in Oregon than any other state in the union. Why? Simply because we have the most corrupt system of taxation of any state in the union. It is about time that this evil was remedied."

HIGH PRICES DON'T SCARE.

Who ever heard of a workman being deferred from migrating to a country where employment is plenty and wages high because the cost of living was higher than in the place where he lived? We venture to say no one. All workmen are unconscious political economists. Without studying the tomes of Mills, Smith and other writers on economic subjects, they grasp with facility the idea that these learned men have expressed, that the laborer always has made good to him in increased wages the increased expenditure to which he is subjected in high-priced countries. They also know by a sort of intuition that the higher the wages of a workman the more chance he has of rising in the world, and that his fellows are absolutely shut out from such chances in low-wage countries. Under the circumstances is it not preposterous to attempt to delude men possessed of this knowledge into the belief that the change to a low-price and low-wage system is desirable to them? The Chronicle thinks the utter absurdity of the attempt will be made manifest on the 6th of November next, when the workmen will cast their votes for high wages, with the full knowledge of the fact that when a man has good wages and plenty of work he has no need to concern himself about the prices of things.

Under Contract to Marry.

Two dozen young Swedish girls, recently landed at New York. It is admitted that they were imported under contract by an agency in that city to marry young men they had never seen except by photograph. They had not even courted by mail. Twenty-three girls go to western states, where they will find husbands. The other remained there. The authorities are inquiring into the society's methods.

Burned as a Witch.

A former policeman of Los Angeles says about three weeks ago, near Rock Springs, San Bernardino county, a band of Mojave Indians tied a young squaw who was reported bewitched to a stake and burned her alive. It was two hours before the terrible deed was completed and the girl's screams silenced. The Indians said that it had been several years since they had burned a witch, though several had been condemned, but managed to escape.

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The Story of Grumble Tone.

There was a boy named Grumble Tone, who ran away to sea. "I'm sick of things on land," he said, "as sick as I can be! A life upon the bounding wave will suit a lad like me!" The seething ocean billows failed to stimulate his spirit. For he did not like the vessel, or the dizzy, rolling berth. And he thought the sea was almost as unpleasant as the earth. He wandered into foreign lands, he saw each wondrous sight. But nothing that he heard or saw seemed just exactly right. And so he journeyed on and on, still seeking for delight. He talked with kings and ladies fair, he dined in courts they say. But always found the people dull, and longed to get away. To search for that mysterious land where he should like to stay. He wandered over all the world, his hair grew white as snow. He reached that final bourne he sought. The reason would you know? The reason was that, north or south, where'er his steps were bent, On land or sea, in court or hall, he found but discontent. For he took his disposition with him everywhere he went. —Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

LETTER LIST.

Following is the list of letters remaining in the postoffice, at Salem, Oregon, Oct. 10, 1888. Parties calling for them will please say "advertised." All letters published as non-delivered will be charged with one cent in addition to the regular postage. Burnett, Mrs L C Carey, E C Carothers, H S Dike, Master Lee Dodson, Abe Doe, D D-2 Evans, D W Fuqua, John B Gardner, Miss M Gable, Justice Gulmon, Miss E Groshong, Mrs H Hendricks, E B Howell, E Hoyt, Mary L Imbrie, Frank Johnson, Chas King, Miss S Larence, Mrs B Miller, Joseph Mullus & Bakerwell Mosser, George McClanahan, B Neece, Geo F Reed, Geo Reardon, James Savage, Mrs M Snider, B F Smith, A D Smith, Elmer E Van Hottin, S Warden, Mrs E Walker, Mrs Ella Walker, Miss C Winn, B F Wilson, Thomas W. H. ODELL, P. M.

Bazaine's Romance.

The death of Marshal Bazaine ends one of the most romantic careers in the history of the century. Under Napoleon III he rose to the front rank, and his military ability and his genius for intrigue were recognized by his royal master, who gave him the command of the disastrous Mexican expedition. Bazaine withdrew from this with only one acquisition—a wife who remained true to him in many reverses. There is good evidence to show that he followed Napoleon's orders in Mexico, and that the abandonment of Maximilian was part of these orders. It was in the Franco-Prussian war that Bazaine next emerged for a brief interval as commander of the French forces, and it was under his leadership that 173,000 men were shut up in the fortress of Metz and there surrendered—the greatest capitulation of modern times. That surrender gave the death blow to Bazaine's military reputation, and after the war he was tried by a French court-martial and sentenced to degradation and death. This sentence was commuted to imprisonment for twenty years on the Isle Sainte Marguerite in the Mediterranean. His escape from that place after nine months' imprisonment was due to his wife, and since then his support has devolved on her. Bazaine, since his escape, has lived mainly in Madrid, where he has frequently been subjected to insults from the French Ministers. He attempted in a weak book to defend his military reputation, but the work fell flat. The man who was once the greatest stickler for appearances—a genuine military dandy—became a veritable sloven, stuffing about Madrid in old and greasy clothes. His slovenly dress led to the reports of his extreme poverty several years ago, but there was no truth in the rumors, as his wife has an income of \$7000 a year. She came of a proud Mexican family, but at her husband's desire she tried two years ago to secure from the Mexican Government the place that Maximilian gave to him. She visited the City of Mexico, but failed in her mission. It can be said for Bazaine that there must have been something genuine in him to have preserved through all these years the love and devotion of his wife, but of that side of his nature the world had no glimpse. It judges him as a soldier and as a man of affairs, and in both capacities he failed. The complete collapse of his reputation was only surpassed by the speedy extinction of the fame of the third Napoleon.

A Northern Mirage.

There is a wonderful mirage in Glacier bay, Alaska, reflected from the glassy surface of the Pacific glacier. It is said that just after the change of the moon in June, soon after sunset, and while the moon is climbing above the sky, a city appears above the glacier. It is so distinct that a photograph is said to have been made this season by a resident of Juneau, who learned of the mirage from the Indians, and has seen it appear and disappear for four years.

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Notice of Final Settlement.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL whom it may concern, that the undersigned administrator of the estate of Jacob Johnson, deceased, has filed his final account in the office of the clerk of Marion county, state of Oregon, and that the time for hearing objections thereto and settlement thereof has been fixed by Hon. T. C. Shaw, judge of said court, for the 10th day of November 1888, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the court house in Salem, Oregon. ADAM STEPHENS, Administrator.

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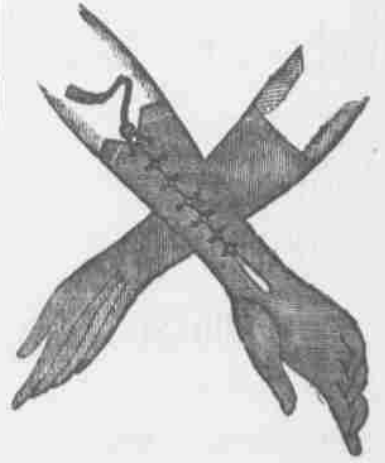
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