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THE FRENCH CRISIS.

The cablegrams from Paris published in THE DISPATCH this morning are impregnated with the feverish unrest and excitement now prevalent in the French capital. Yesterday added ten to the rapidly growing list of those accused of corruption in connection with the Panama scandal. Five of the new suspects are Senators—two being former Cabinet Ministers—and the remainder Deputies.

The area of implication appears almost unlimited, and it is not to be wondered at that some of the accused will be able to establish their innocence, there is no wonder that an impulsive people deeming itself robbed at every hand is almost bereft of reason in its effort to find some foundation for fault amid the reputations ruined by the flood of disclosed corruption.

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POST-PRANDIAL FINANCE.

The utterances which ex-Secretary Fairchild is credited with having delivered at the Boston Fair, are of the most unique character yet produced by the Democratic stump on bank circulation. The ex-Secretary is reported as referring to the right of a man to issue "his personal obligation to pay \$1," with the dictum that there is "no sense" in depriving the American people of one of the most useful devices of modern times because some-time ago some one suggested finally proceeding to this conclusion: "Recognizing the vast usefulness of a good bank note circulation, a good legal tender, lacking the vicious tendency of paper money, it is wiser imbecility for our people to be down and say that they cannot issue such currency."

AGAINST THE GERRYMANDER.

The Supreme Court of Indiana has joined the list of judicial tribunals declaring the unconstitutionality of manipulative appointments so as to serve party interests at the cost of equal representation for the people. The Indiana decision is the most significant that has yet been rendered, and it declares that the provisions of that State unconstitutional back to that of 1878, only recognizing the present Legislature as a de facto body qualified to enact law to take the place of the invalid one.

TROLLEYS AND SUBSTITUTES.

There is material for public inquiry in the assertion made by a writer in the Detroit Free Press, that a storage battery under a five days test in that city made a better record than any trolley motor in the city, but that street railway men refuse to recognize it. The assertion is further made that experts employed by a Detroit company to report on batteries made an adverse report without counting near the battery which is asserted to have worked successfully.

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ment of the present companies in their poles, wires and trolley motors may make them both to make the change. But that investment is slight beside their public privileges and public obligations. Beyond that, it is an especially wanton class of obstruction to seek to suppress the recognition of recent inventions or to condemn them without an examination. If any such one-sided action has been taken as is reported from Detroit, it amounts to another example of the disregard of public obligations by corporations which are enjoying highly valuable public franchises.

It cannot of course be positively affirmed on such evidence that the case is exactly as alleged. But it should be made a canon of public principle that when the storage battery or other acceptable substitute for the trolley has proved its usefulness its adoption by the present trolley lines will be made compulsory.

PROMPTNESS IS DESIRABLE.

In view of the evidence already produced in support of the charges of conspiracy to poison non-union workmen at Homestead, the District Attorney could not consistently with a proper discharge of his duty, give as early an opportunity as possible to establish their innocence if vindication be within their power.

AS USUAL, THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF EMIN PASHA'S ILL HEALTH.

As usual, the announcement of Emin Pasha's ill health followed soon after the publication of his death notice. If the public really wish to know the state of his affairs at all times, some steps should be taken to have the Dark Continent with telegraphic facilities.

As though this country were not burdened with too great a variety of more or less ill-fated schemes, an extension of the same is raising funds in India to send Mahomedan missionaries to the land of his birth. There really should be more care taken in the selection of the agents to be consulates. The conventional method of converting a people to Islamism is by force of arms, and the outlook is truly appalling, but the conventional method of converting derelicts met with a very chilly reception.

PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH.

Physical and mental health are the most important of the health in view in framing legislation to regulate immigration in a rational discriminatory manner. The admission of immigrants sound in mind and physique and honest in reputation provides the best means of securing a healthy and advantaged. The present system of dealing with the matter admits unwelcome elements to the population calculated to breed crime and disease in the social fabric of the country.

NEW FEATURES IN EXCHANGE.

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TOLEDO, O., IS EXPERIENCING THE EVILS OF DRAGGING RELIGIOUS SECTARIANISM INTO THE MANAGEMENT OF ITS PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Rancor, hatred and all uncharitableness are the inevitable results of introducing sectarian religious ideas into places where they have absolutely no legitimate right to make their appearance. The people of Toledo will do well to remember that their next opportunity to elect a board of education is in the near future.

WHEN CHICAGO HAS SUCCEEDED IN SUPPRESSING THE HAWTHORNE GAMBLING ESTABLISHMENT.

When Chicago has succeeded in suppressing the Hawthorne gambling establishment, it will be an advantage for the gold reserve it will be an advantage, for the only explanation is that United States securities are being returned to us in large quantities. This country can well afford to sell its products to Europe and take its own investment in return; and should be glad to continue the process until it holds all its own securities and the United States Government is no longer dependent on other nations.

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FOUR TALKED ABOUT.

LADY RANDOLPH CHURCHILL'S health had so far improved a few days ago that she was able to take the air in a carriage. VICE PRESIDENT MONTON has appointed Senator Gray, of Delaware, a regent of the Smithsonian Institution, a position of honor and trust. F. MARION CRAWFORD, the novelist, said recently: "I think there is a richer field for the novelist in the United States than in any other country. The characters to be found here and they are in greater variety."

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DEAR SANTA CLAUS—WE HAVE LATE TROUBLE WITH MY PAPA'S NOT WORKING.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS—WE HAVE LATE TROUBLE WITH MY PAPA'S NOT WORKING. The child is asking for a new toy to replace the one that is broken.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS—I WANT YOU TO BRING ME A PAIR OF GUN BOOTS.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS—I WANT YOU TO BRING ME A PAIR OF GUN BOOTS. The child is asking for a pair of boots to go with his new gun.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS—I AM GOING TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS—I AM GOING TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY. The child is asking for a book to read.

DEAR SANTA CLAUS—I WANT YOU TO BRING ME A NEW DRESS.

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—There are 150,000,000 Bibles.

—American perfume equals the French article.

—The Danes lead the world in butter-making.

—An aluminum bug is among the coming possibilities.

—The jackal is a greater foe to Indian humanity than the tiger.

—A quilt with 1,234 names written on it has been made in Florida.

—The bell on a church at Cedar Farm, Ind., has been there since 1760.

—The first counterfeiting was done in 1756 by a man named Richard William Vaughn.

—"Crossing the Bar" in Welsh begins: "Llwyer-ddydd a seren naion."

—A pair of Oseola, Mo., stands 17 feet high and weighs 1460 pounds.

—A horse of George Washington's breeches were lately sold at auction in Philadelphia for \$340.

—A music box that was accidentally knocked off in St. Louis the other night struck a boy of the burglar.

—A Chicago paper waxes cheerful over the prevalent crime in that city as follows: Drop a nickel in your vest pocket and watch it get seized by some thief.

—Artificial legs and arms were in use in Egypt as early as B. C. 700. They were made by the priests, who were the physicians of that early time.