Henry A. Parsons, Jr., - Editor THURSDAY, DEC., 7, 1882.

ENTERED AT THE POST-OFFICE AT RIDGWAY, PA., AS SECOND CLASS MAIL MATTER.

-In some parts of Spain where butter is a rare article of merchandise it is sold not by the pound but by the yard. It is brought from the mountain districts in sheep's intestines, like sausages that are "tied off" with string in lengths as required by the

-The story of the little cash boy in Boston falling helr to a fortune of two millions by the death of a queer old uncle in Australia, turns out to be more fiction than truth. The story had its origin in the rich uncle giving directions that the boy should be edueated at his expense.

Fostal Reform.

THE GOVERNMENT ADOPTS LETTER SHEET, ENVELOPE AND STAMP.

A Washington special under date of November 23, gives in detail a new arrangement entered into by the Postmaster General, whereby a great change will be brought about in the matter of business correspondence. This was in the conclusion of a contract with Mr. Leo Ehrlich, of St. Louis, for the use of his recent ingenious invention of a combination letter sheet envelope. The contract was signed to-day. By the middle of January the Ehrlich invention will be on sale at the principal postoffices in the country, in the shape of a letter sheet and envelope and stamp, all for three cents, and a circular letter, and stamp, for one cent, added to the cost of the paper. The unstamped article will find its way into the public market through the stationery world. This is a return to the simplicity of correspondence, as it was before envelopes were invented, without returning to the disadvantages of senling wax, tapers and wafers. The single letter sheet is manufactured with gummed flaps, which, when the sheet is folded, lap over two open edges and secures the missive. The Government stamp is to be embossed on one of these flaps which comes over like the flap of an envelope, and the whole thing is licked, stamped and sealed with the same motion. This brings read in any year by so many men and the stamp where the old wafer and seal used to be, instead of being on the upper right hand corner as at present.

A GREAT SAVING.

The postmaster will not be compelled to apply the cancelation stamp, as the letter cannot be opened nor the deeds and misdeeds, the wisdom, the embossed stamp removed without des- philosophy, the notable folly, the solid troying the stamp. While the whole arrangement looks like a neat trick, the principal advantage is its cheapness, both to the Government and to the business public. To the man who writes his communication on one side ing them the exact truth to the best of of the sheet, as most business men do, it will be a saving of 50 per cent, in as after, about the whales as well as time and expense. To the Govern-sent as plainly and fearlessly as when ment it will be equally advantageous.

It will cost but a trifle more than an Sun has absolutely no purposes to ordinary envelope, and in general use serve, save the information will save, it is alleged, half the readers and the furtherance of the present weight of the letter mails.

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ADVANTAGES OF THE INVENTION. The patent letter sheet will be sold at a price ranging from \$2 to \$4 per 1,000, according to the quality of paper used. The contractor retains his right as patentee, the Government merely seting as his agent and making returns of sales to him every 90 days for the use of his scheme. Every facility for their sale is to be offered as is now offered in sale of stamps and stamped

The importance of this innovation on the future of the postal department, on the future of the postal department, readers miss nothing worthy of notice will depend wholly on the favor and that is current in the world of thought. prejudices of the general public. If So every friend of The Sun discovers the department should carry out its one of its many sides that appeals with particular force to his individual design to sell stamped envelopes at the liking. price of the stamp as recommended by the Postmaster General, the law will carry this invention with it and the public can have a letter and it to be a mirror of all human activity, stamped envelope for three cents in a storehouse of the choicest products one. It would seem to be a severe of common sense and imagination, a blow to the stamped envelope business and to be an important factor in hurrying up cheap postage. The Government, it should be added, loses nothing in case of spoiled sheets, having reserved the right of cancelation.

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