

THINGS WORTH KNOWING.

Bangs were first worn in the court of Louis XIV.

Stenography was first used in the French parliament about the year 1830.

The art of paper-making has reached the point where it is possible to cut down a growing tree and convert it into paper suitable for printing purposes within the short space of 24 hours.

The Minister of a foreign country carries with him a little piece of his own country, so that his son is born in the country of his father and cannot claim to be a native born citizen.

March 4 comes on a Sunday only three times in each century; it fell on a Sunday in 1821, 1849 and 1877; it will fall on a Sunday in 1917, and thereafter in 1945 and 1973.

Among the various pieces of interesting information brought to light during the deliberations of the international monetary conference at Brussels, is the fact that there is at present no less than \$100,000,000 of counterfeit silver money in circulation in France, Belgium, Switzerland, Italy, Spain and Portugal.

The American Bible Society prints the Bible in 213 languages and dialects, and there are more languages than that number.

The aggregate of United States currency, fractional and otherwise, estimated to have been destroyed and not likely to be presented for redemption, approximates by these figures more than \$14,600,000.

The term "Uncle Sam" dates from the year 1812, when Elbert Anderson was an army contractor at Troy.

The area of the thirteen original states proper was 421,000 square miles. The outlying territory claimed by these States was 407,000 more, making a total area of 828,000 square miles.

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MEN AND WOMEN TALKED ABOUT.

M. Marinoni, the principal proprietor of the famous Parisian newspaper, Le Petit Journal; which has a daily circulation of nearly a million and a quarter copies, commenced life as a factory lad.

Baron Hirsch has proved himself the most successful owner of racehorses in England by winning \$165,000 this season on La Fleche, Watercress, Windgall and other representatives of his stables.

The salary and emoluments of the Prince of Wales, supposed to be about \$200,000, would probably be enough for his private needs were he not put to so large an expense in performing royal and social obligations which should be undertaken by his royal mother.

Mr. C. L. Collard, pianoforte maker, has left £161,750 personally and a charming estate on the fringe of Exmoor.

Madame Ribot (the wife of the recently summoned Premier of France who declined to form a Cabinet) is an American lady, who will shine as one of the brightest society stars at the Court of St. James, if, as the French people anticipate, her husband shall become the French Minister to England.

There has been forwarded to Mr. Gladstone from Barmouth an album in commemoration of his visit to Snowdon and Barmouth. Engraved upon the large gold plate is a shield bearing the arms of Merioneth and the Welsh leek, and around the edge of the plate are the words, "Made of Welsh gold from Clogau Mines, Barmouth, North Wales."

Nathaniel S. Barry of Bristol, N. H., is the oldest living ex-Governor of a State in the United States. If he survives until September 1, 1895, he will be a centenarian.

Perhaps the only woman who was ever buried like a warrior with the Stars and Stripes for a winding-sheet was the late Mrs. Cutter. She will be remembered for her bravery at the battle of Fort Donelson, when she snatched the colors of her husband's regiment from their fallen bearer and rushed through the smoke with the flag in one hand and sword in the other.

Susan B. Anthony is of the opinion that we are on the verge of an era of unmarried women. Our civilization, she says, is changing. Daughters cannot be supported at home and there is nothing there to busy them.

M. Brisson, the man of the hour in Paris, is fifty-seven years old and a native of Bourges. He is a prominent Freemason, and a mortal enemy of the Jesuits. Under the Empire he was an obscure lawyer, but worked his way to the front by his ardent advocacy of universal suffrage.

Mr. Gould was very methodical in his habits. He usually rose about half-past six or seven, and took a short walk. Then he and his family breakfasted. He was a very light eater, seldom partaking of more than a cup of tea, a piece of toast, and a small bit of beefsteak.

Louis Kossuth is again reported to be dying, and his illness is this time of so grave a character as to make it unlikely that his feeble strength can combat it.

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