SPECIAL NOTICE.

Business notices in local columns, 10 cents per line.

Notices of births, marriages and deaths free.

Obituary notices, exceeding 10 lines, 10 cents per line.

Calls on persons to become candidates, and candidates' announcements for any county or State office, five dollars. In order to insure insertion the money must accompany the announcement or call.

Contracts with liberal terms made with extensive advertisers.

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LAWS OF NEWSPAPERS.

FIRST, Subscribers who do not give express notice to the contrary are considered as wishing to continue their subscription.

SECOND, If a subscriber orders his paper discontinued, the publisher may continue sending until the arrears are paid.

THIRD, If subscribers neglect or refuse to take their periodicals from the office to which they are directed, they are held responsible till they have settled their bill and ordered them discontinued.

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FIFTH, The courts have decided that refusing to take periodicals from the office, or removing and leaving them uncalled for, is prima facie evidence of intentional fraud.

SIXTH, Any person who receives a newspaper and makes use of it, whether he has ordered it or not, is by law a subscriber.

TIMELY TOPICS.

INDIANA girls are right smart. An exchange tells of a girl in that State who wanted to see if her lover really loved her, so she hired a boy to yell "Mad dog!" as they were walking out. The lover flew over the fence and left her to be chewed up, and she went right away and married a store clerk.

SHOULD the experiment of boring artesian wells on the plains east of the Rocky mountains, which is contemplated by the Government, result favorably, a most important step will be taken toward the reclamation of those uninhabited lands. Artesian wells have been sunk in the deserts of Algeria with great success, and every well has become the center of a thriving village.

A FUNGUS, similar to that which Dr. Salisbury first noticed in the blood of persons suffering from malaria, is now announced as constantly present in the blood of consumptives, and is therefore suspected of being the cause of that dreadful malady. If the alleged discovery be confirmed by further investigation, it ought to lead to more satisfactory methods of treatment than any yet devised.

NEWS IN A NUT SHELL.

EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD.

The Cream of the Two Hemispheres Carefully Condensed and Classified—An Interesting Budget of Personal and Miscellaneous Information.

Washington.

THE Senate ratified the French claims treaty without amendment.

THE House Committee on Elections has again postponed the final vote on the Donnelly-Washburne case.

THE Committee on Commerce has instructed Representative Henderson to report favorably the bill making Indianapolis a port of delivery.

THE House Committee on Commerce will report favorably the bill appropriating $10,000 to rebuild the lighthouse at Eagle River, Lake Superior, Michigan.

THE Senate refused the following nominations of census supervisors: Thomas H. Sherwood, first district of Pennsylvania; Chas. P. Jadwin, fifth district of Pennsylvania.

THE House Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds has agreed to report favorably the bill for the erection of a public building at Hannibal, Mo., at a cost not exceeding $75,000.

MR. DIBRELL's bill provides that no member of Congress shall draw his per diem pay without certifying that he has not been absent during the sitting of the House except on account of sickness.

MR. WELLS of Missouri introduced a bill in the House authorizing a contract with the Mississippi Valley and Brazil Steamship company of St. Louis for semi-monthly

GEN. JOHN FITZ PORTER is at present in the employ of the New Jersey Central Railway Company, and resides at Norristown, Pa.

TWENTY years ago Jay Gould was jobbing sole leather, and had a tannery in the Pennsylvania woods, the place being called Gouldsborough.

GEN. T. H. SIMPSON, of the army, has retired to private life at St. Paul, Minn. He has been in the service of the government for fifty-two years.

PRINCE RUDOLPH, of Austria, has an independent character and a thorough appreciation of the science and of all modern advances in the art of governing.

MR. AND MRS. GEORGE AUGUSTA SALA sailed for England. He has spent nearly four months in the South and West, writing to the London *Telegraph* about them.

M. WADDINGTON, the French ex-Minister of Foreign Affairs, is enjoying his release from office in Rome, of which city his scholarship and archæological bias make him particularly fond.

CAPT. WEBB remained in the water for sixty hours in London recently, taking only twenty minutes intermission out of the half-hour allowed him, and came out looking well and not fatigued.

THE REV. MURRAY says he may soon return to Boston and fill a pulpit. He no longer cares for blooded hens at $40 apiece, and he has conquered his desire to travel faster than a mile in four minutes.

General Foreign Notes.

NAVIGATION of the Baltic has reopened.

IT is reported that there will be a meeting between Emperor William and the Czar in a short time.

THE pending trouble between Russia and China is said to be entirely due to English influence in Pekin.

...mediate deficiency appropriation bill was taken up. Several amendments to the bill as it came from the House were agreed to, but without reaching any final action the Senate went into executive session and then adjourned.

MARCH 31.—Upon assembling Mr. Cameron, (Wis.,) called attention to the testimony of E. S. Webber, taken in the Kellogg-Spofford contested election case appearing in the printed record. As it had been agreed by the committee that this testimony should not appear in the record, it was ordered stricken out and the report reprinted. . The deficiency bill was taken up. Some amendments were adopted, but no final action was reached. . . The bill introduced by Mr. Paddock, to equalize homesteads by allowing locations in more than one place, where necessary to make up 160 acres passed. . . The bill providing for an international exhibition in New York in 1883, was then taken up and passed. . . Mr. Coke, from committee on Indian affairs, obtained leave to report a substitute for the bill ratifying the Ute agreement. Ordered printed and to lie on the table. . . After executive session adjourned.

APRIL 1.—Mr. Wallace, from the select committee to inquire into the alleged frauds in the late election, submitted a report on the subject of assessments for political purposes. . . The bill authorizing the Secretary of War to acquire for the United States title to the site of Fort Stockton, Texas, passed. . . On motion of Mr. Cameron (Pennsylvania) the bill authorizing the Secretary of War to apply the proceeds of the military prison of Fort Leavenworth in support of the institution was taken up and passed. . . The immediate deficiency bill came up and was opposed by Mr. Edmunds. He reviewed at length the scenes of the extra session and opposed the appointment of deputy marshals by the judge of the District Court.

MR. HANNAY'S DIAMONDS.

Genuine, But It Takes 1,000 to Make a Salable Stone.

London Standard.

The announcement that Mr. Ballantine Hannay, of Glasgow, would describe his process of producing diamonds artificially, attracted an unusually large gathering to the weekly meeting of the Royal Society last night. Mr. Hannay was not, however, present, and the papers were read by one of the secretaries. The second paper, which occupied only a few minutes in reading, was a "Preliminary Note on the Artificial Formation of Diamonds," by Mr. Hannay. The author mentioned that he had conceived that as gases under great pressure and at high temperature dissolved solids, which afterwards crystallized out on the heat and pressure being removed, possibly water

...sumed as fuel, with the result of keeping the place perfectly free from rubbish. The next curiosity is the "counting-board," a grooved board or table, on which, by rubbing a handful of pencils over it, and seeing that each groove is full, a gross of pencils can be accurately counted off in five or six seconds. Other ingenious machines are in use for staining and varnishing the pencils, stamping marks and names, and finally packing them in a singular and convenient method, the package being oval in shape. By the use of checks on the quantity of material given out, the Dixon Company boasts of being able to secure that if even one pencil of the 80,000 made daily is abstracted it will be missed; and incidents are not wanting where this fact, being unknown and unsuspected, has brought people into trouble who thought that one pencil might be removed from

CREAM OF THE MAILS.

Nuggets of Wit and Wisdom from Our Exchanges.

A MODERN PASTORAL.

...the British Parliamentary elections, and advance the price of grain in the St. Louis elevators. While Russia disclaims any purpose of aggrandizement in Asia, it invariably finds it necessary to annex the territory adjoining its last annexation. Having annexed Khiva to protect the frontier on the Avel, it annexed Tashkend to protect Khiva, moved eastward to Yarkand and Kashgar to protect Tashkend, and so worked its way to Kuldja, a no-man's land, nominally subject to China. Here, at last, it met with resistance from a real government, and after a few skirmishes the difficulties were adjusted by treaty. Unfortunately, before the Chinese plenipotentiary returned home, somebody had stiffened the Chinese backbone, and by this time the plenipotentiary's head is probably anywhere but on his shoulders and