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BOSTON, Mass., U.S.A.**DECISIONS IN COMMERCIAL LAW.****SPENCE V. GRAND TRUNK R. W. Co.**—A per-  
son who posts a letter on a mail car attached to  
a train about to start, although the car is fur-  
nished with a slit for posting letters, under  
instructions from the Post Office Department,  
is a mere licensee. The invitation to post, if  
any, is the invitation of the Post Office Depart-  
ment and not of the railway company. Held,  
that the plaintiff, who, in attempting to post a  
letter on a moving train, tripped and fell over a  
peg placed in the ground by the company and  
was injured, could not recover.**WHO MAY RIDE ON A PULLMAN CAR?**According to a decision of Mr. Justice Falcon-  
bridge, last week, a passenger must possess a  
first-class railway ticket in order to be entitled to  
ride in a Pullman car. The case referred to was  
that of William Linton, commercial traveller, of  
Ottawa, who brought suit against the Canadian  
Pacific Railway for \$2,000 damages, because  
the railway officials refused to allow him to  
ride on a Pullman sleeper when he held a  
second-class ticket, though he was willing to  
pay the extra sleeping-car charges. This ver-  
dict in favor of the company will prove of  
interest to those who travel much, and have  
had doubts of the legal rights of a passenger  
under the circumstances described.**TRIAL OF NEWFOUNDLAND BANK  
DIRECTORS.**A special term of court to try the directors of  
the Commercial and Union Banks of New-  
foundland was held in St. John's on Monday,  
13th inst. The Court house was thronged by  
an expectant crowd. Three judges were ex-  
pected to sit on the cases, but only two arrived,  
the chief justice being unable to attend owing  
to illness. The grand jury were sworn, after  
which the court adjourned till Wednesday,  
when it is expected that the chief justice will  
be able to attend. The directors are charged  
with issuing a false statement of the banks'  
affairs, whereby confidence not justly due was  
extended to the loss of many.**THE UNITED STATES CURRENCY  
SYSTEM.**The condition of the United States system of  
currency is illustrated by a rough diagram in  
the *Philadelphia Record*. That its condition is  
decidedly "topheavy," can be seen at a glance.  
No less than \$346,681,016 is in the shape of  
greenback legal tenders. Besides this, there is  
\$344,377,504 silver certificates, and \$136,719,280  
treasury notes. These sums, with the amount  
of silver in circulation, make an aggregate of  
about \$900,000,000—a very large sum for the  
Government to keep at a parity with gold, as  
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