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THE NEGLECTED BIBLE.

Mayor Gaylor, whose reputation as a critic of books and plays is daily enlarging, has also added to himself another title to fame.

Arcade Theatre

"The Battle of the Republic"—Vitagraph Drama. This patriotic and historical picture portrays the writing of the famous national hymn by Julia Ward Howe and is a magnificent and elaborate conception of scenic splendor.

ever made use of his gift. Of course, Great Barringtons homes may be well supplied with bibles; but the Catholic Journal America (New York) sees this community on hand shaking terms with Ann Arbor, Michigan, where 78 students were recently subjected to a biblical examination, with these results:

"The test was not made offhand, but nearly an hour was allowed to write down the answers. The results were startling: One volunteered the valuable information that the old testament was written B. C., the other was not; another affirmed that 'the old testament represented Hebrew fable,' while 'the new dealt with historical characters.' Another, again, that 'the old was composed largely of stories and proverbs, which are not any longer believed to have actually happened.' 'By the Law,' said one wise youth, 'is meant the laws given by Christ to his disciples, while the gospel simply means the Scriptures as taught to the people.' We can only quote a few of the hundreds of other ridiculous replies. 'The gospels,' for instance, 'were the letters which St. Paul wrote to the church.' 'The temple of Solomon was in Babylon.' 'Sinaï was the place of the landing of the ark, or the mount from which Christ spoke, 'Nazarene was the Mother of Christ; Nazareth was his Father.' 'Levi was a name applied to Jews who were small in stature compared with Leviathan, which meant large.' 'Levi was a Jewish male; Leviathan a woman.' 'The Isle of Patmos was the place where the children of Israel were fed in the wilderness.' 'Thou are the man,' are words said by Judas to Christ, or by a prophet in his chariot teaching Christianity to the man at his side. 'Before the cock crow thou shalt deny me thrice,' was said by Christ to one of the thieves hanging beside him in the crucifixion. 'Jacob's ladder was a vision that Jacob had one night when he slept outdoors near a mountain which looked like a pair of stairs.' 'The mess of pottage referred to the Lord's Supper.' 'Aaron's rod brought the manna and doves to the ground when the tribes of Israel were without food.' 'The thirty pieces of silver' were one of the parables, 'very etc., etc., etc.'"

Such a state of ignorance may be accounted for in various ways. That which America sees as the explanation is this: "The reformers of the 16th century were deadly enemies of the bible, though they professed to base their whole religion on it. Insisting on every one reading it and guaranteeing that the most ignorant could fathom its profoundest mysteries, they robbed it of all its objective value, for each individual, no matter how incompetent, was permitted to read into it his own sense, thereby leaving it no sense at all. Men who said they were scholars began to pick its text to pieces, discredited its assertions, cast a doubt on its authorship, and refused to admit in it anything like inspiration. The result is that in spite of the millions of money used by the bible societies to multiply its editions and scatter them over the face of the earth not only the old love and veneration for the Sacred Book have disappeared, but the grossest ignorance of its contents has succeeded to that almost superstitious eagerness to learn the text

by heart, which was so noteworthy only a very short time ago."

Army of the Cumberland.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Oct. 18.—The 39th annual reunion of the Society of the Cumberland began here today, with headquarters at the Hotel Patten. Features of the opening session this morning were an address of welcome by H. Clay Evans and a response by Gen. Gates P. Thurston, the president of the society. This afternoon the members visited the neighboring battlefields. The reunion will conclude with a camp fire meeting tomorrow night.

100 Italians killed.

London, Oct. 18.—One hundred Italians were killed by Turks outside of Tripoli when a reconnoitering party advanced too far from their base, today's dispatches state.

REWARD OFFERED—For return of G. I. A. notebook containing information valuable only to the auxiliary. Finder return to Mrs. Luke Ferguson and receive reward.

SUMMONS.

In the circuit court of the state of Oregon, for the county of Union.

Mary Hug, plaintiff, vs: Louisa H. Becker and J. J. Becker, also all other persons and parties unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in the real estate described in the complaint herein, defendants.

To Louisa H. Becker, and J. J. Becker, also all other persons and parties unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest in, or to or upon the real estate described in the complaint herein, the above named defendants: You and each of you are hereby notified by me to be and appear in the above entitled court and answer the complaint therein filed against you in the above entitled suit within six weeks from the first publication of this summons, and defendants and each of you will take notice that if you fail so to appear and answer, the plaintiff will, for want thereof, apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint in said cause, to wit: That plaintiff be decreed to be the owner in fee and entitled to the possession of all the real estate described in the complaint, to wit: the east half of northeast quarter of section thirty-three (33), and southwest quarter of northwest quarter and northwest quarter of southwest quarter of section thirty-four (34), and north half of southwest quarter of section twenty-nine (29), and east half of northwest quarter and east half of southeast quarter of section thirty-two (32), in township one, north of range thirty-nine, and north half of northwest quarter of section five (5), in township one, south of range thirty-nine (39), east of Willamette meridian, in Union county, Oregon, excepting a tract of about fifteen acres heretofore by Rudolph Hug in his lifetime conveyed, and that plaintiff's title thereto be quieted and for such other relief as to the court shall seem just.

This summons is published by virtue of an order of the Hon. J. W. Knowles, judge of the circuit court of the state of Oregon for the county of Union, bearing date September 13th, A. D. 1911, directing publication of such summons in the La Grande Evening Observer, once each week for six consecutive weeks and the first publication of this summons is on the 13th day of September, A. D. 1911.

J. D. SLATER,

Attorney for Plaintiff.

D 9-13, 20, 27; 10-4, 11, 18, 25

NOTICE OF STREET IMPROVEMENT

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a resolution adopted by the common council of the city of La Grande, Oregon, on the 9th day of February, 1910, creating improvement district No. 17 and designating Jefferson avenue, as such district, and in pursuance of a resolution adopted by said common council on the 23rd day of September, 1911, whereby said council determined and declared its intention to improve all that portion of Jefferson avenue in such improvement district as hereinafter described, by laying thereon cement walk, combination curb and gutter, the council will, ten days after the service of this notice upon the owners of the property affected and benefited by such improvement, order that said above described improvement be made; that the boundaries of said district to be so improved are as follows:

All that portion of Jefferson avenue, from the east curb line of Elm street, to the west line lot 8, block 112, Chaplin's addition to La Grande, Oregon.

(A) And the property affected or benefited by said improvement is as follows:

Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, block 112; Chaplin's addition to La Grande, Oregon.

Notice is hereby further given that



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The council will levy a special assessment on all the property affected and benefited by such improvement for the purpose of paying for such improvement. That the estimated cost of such improvement is the sum of \$591.60.

That the council will, on the 18th day of October, 1911, meet at the council chamber at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m., to consider said estimated cost, and the levy of said assessment, when a hearing will be granted to any person feeling aggrieved by such assessment.

La Grande, Oregon, October 4th, 1911.

CITY COUNCIL OF LA GRANDE, OREGON.

By C. M. HUMPHREYS,

Recorder of the City of La Grande, Oregon.

10-7-10t

NOTICE OF STREET IMPROVEMENT

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a resolution adopted by the common council of the city of La Grande on the 5th day of August, 1909, creat-

ing improvement district No. 5 and designating Seventh street, as such district and in pursuance of a resolution adopted by said common council on the 28th day of June, 1911, whereby said council determined and declared its intention to improve all that portion of Seventh street in said improvement district as hereinafter described, by laying thereon macadam and cement curb and gutter, the council will, ten days after the service of this notice upon the owners of the property affected and benefited by such improvement, order that said above described improvement be made; that the boundaries of said district to be so improved are as follows:

All that portion of Seventh street from the south line of Washington avenue, to the north line of M avenue.

(A) And the property affected or benefited by said improvement is as follows:

The east half of block 56, 61, 64 and 99 and the west 1/2 of blocks 55, 62, 63 and 100, Chaplin's addition to La Grande, Oregon.

Notice is hereby further given that the council will levy a special assessment on all the property affected and benefited by such improvement for the purpose of paying for such improvement. That the estimated cost of such improvement is the sum of \$6,344.50.

That the council will, on the 18th day of October, 1911, meet at the council chamber at the hour of 8 o'clock, p. m. to consider said estimated cost, and the levy of said assessment, when a hearing will be granted to any person feeling aggrieved by such assessment.

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