

ADDITIONAL EDITORIAL.

The political Eddy that started in Tillamook election day not only swamped the Polk county key but played a Dead March on the Cornett in Linn, leaped into Multnomah long enough to insert a Word in the blood-curdling Storey there (which anybody can keep), and finally spent its force in Baker county, where, judging from the returns, its record is anything but White. This all happened, it is generally thought, because the people of Tillamook, finding the old Gallo-way, completely lost their heads, and in their effort to become Boise again, ceased to be their own Masters, and, as might have been expected, have played the Dickens generally.—Statesman.

COLORADO'S DISGRACE.

The accounts sent out last Saturday from Denver, Colorado, in regard to the brutal treatment of union miners by the militia, read like a page from the history of some oriental despotism. A special to the Denver Post contains the following:

With a parting volley of rifle bullets fired over their heads by the militia and deputies to warn them to "hike" eastward as fast as their legs could carry them, and never again set foot on Colorado soil, 91 union miners of the Cripple Creek district were unloaded from a special Santa Fe train on the prairie this morning, one-half mile from the Colorado state line, and left to shift for themselves. The exiles were disembarked in haste and without ceremony. The guards and deputies were tired out and in ill-humor from their long, tedious trip from the Teller county gold camp, and were in no mood to extend any special courtesies or kindness to their unfortunate charges.

The men were dumped on the cheerless prairie, without food or water, for the soldiers and deputies, in their haste to get home, had forgotten to unload the small stock of commissary supplies the train carried when it left Victor yesterday afternoon.

If these deported miners are guilty of any crime, they should be punished according to law. But there is no justification for the brutal treatment they have received. They have not been convicted of any crime, have not been tried before any court, have not even legally been charged with crime. The dispatch quoted says that "the surest ticket a man can have for deportation is a wife with a virulent tongue. Some men are sent away only that their wives may follow them." Russia deports men without trial, on account of seditious utterances; it remains for Colorado to deport men without trial on account of their wives uttering "gibes and insults to non-union miners."

The deputy district attorney who has directed affairs through the strike, is attorney for the Mine-owners Association. In thus openly violating the laws of the

state and the dictates of humanity, he reveals the weakness of the cause he is supporting. No doubt the union miners have, in some instances, committed unwise and possibly criminal acts. The militia, openly acknowledged to be under the authority of the Mineowners' attorney, have not only violated the law but have committed acts that should brand them as brutes, and those under whose orders they are working, as enemies of free government.

The state of Colorado is disgraced by a rebellion instigated by corporate interests and carried out by the militia. How long can such a state of affairs exist and still leave even a semblance of free government. It is military despotism.

CONSOLIDATION OF CHURCHES.

The Rev. Dr. Hillis, of Brooklyn, who will prove one of the great attractions at the Chautauqua this summer, recently contributed to a contemporary a strong plea for "consolidation of the churches." He condemns the practice of erecting some fifteen or twenty different churches in comparatively small towns, especially as most of them are half empty and all of them poor. He would have one large church building, conveniently located, to be used as the center of the religious, social, musical and literary life of the town. In order to secure unity in religious matters among the members, he would exclude all non-essentials from the doctrines expounded. "The Ten Commandments and the sermon on the Mount and the teachings of Jesus Christ are no more denominational than the denomination table. The principles of ethics are no more Presbyterian or Episcopalian or Congregational than are the laws of light and heat."

This is the position taken by this broad, liberal-minded man, whose whole soul is devoted to the lifting up of humanity. If it were possible to follow his suggestions, the progress of the higher elements of civilization would make grander strides than under present conditions. But consolidation of the churches and unity of doctrinal teachings is an "iridescent dream," incapable of realization until the average human mind is lifted to a far higher plane than it now occupies. "The Ten Commandments are not denominational," but do they, or do they not, teach the sabbatical observance of the seventh day of the week? Many will answer, "That is non-essential;" others will declare it to be of prime importance that the question be correctly answered. "The teachings of Jesus Christ are not denominational;" but do they not require baptism by immersion? "Non-essential," replies one class; "Absolutely essential," replies another. Such differences can never be reconciled.

Actual consolidation can never be accomplished. Yet the work of such men as Dr. Hillis is not without results of the greatest importance to all mankind. The churches are now united in their efforts looking toward the moral uplift of society. Sometimes the council of shortsighted men prevail; sometimes bigotry assumes the place that should be filled by true religion; sometimes hypocrisy, in its desire to prove itself saintly, substitutes persecution for progressiveness; yet, on the whole, the efforts of the churches are centered on the betterment of the world.

Perhaps it is as well that sects exist. Those who agree in doctrinal matters associate themselves together and move along in harmony. This does not prevent their uniting with those of other creeds or beliefs, in accomplishing some specific good, or in crushing some giant evil. True, the church buildings cannot be quite so magnificent, but that is certainly a non-essential. True, there is a great waste of power in conducting so many different organizations, if one can be made to do the work. But it is doubtful whether there would not be sufficient increase in friction to more than offset the apparent economy in power.

Actual consolidation appears impossible; practical cooperation is not impossible, and will produce almost the same results.

Notice of Annual School Meeting.

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of School District No. 62, Clackamas county, State of Oregon, that the annual school meeting will be held at the county court room in Oregon City, Or., to begin at the hour of 7:30 o'clock p. m., on the third Monday in June, being the 20th day of June, 1904, for the purpose of submitting the annual report of the directors and clerk and the transacting of general business. Dated this 3rd day of June, 1904.

W. E. CARL, Chairman.
C. O. T. WILLIAMS, Clerk.

The Breed to Keep.

There is a great deal of valuable time wasted in worrying over the question as to what is the best breed of cows to keep for the dairy. We have no advice to offer to those who are breeding with a view to selling breeding stock, but we wish to suggest to the beginner in dairying that in starting out to build up a dairy herd he first seek for good cows irrespective of breeds. We do not mean that he should not select all of his cows from same breed if he can find good ones and if he can afford to do so, but we urge that every cow be selected on the sole ground of quality and without regard to breed, color, size, or previous condition, and if enough good cows can not be found of one breed get good cows from other breeds. It is the intention to build up a dairy herd for the future and to raise the dairy cows on the farm it is

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