

Literature and Society.

Influence of literature upon society is either productive of good or evil. Hence comes the importance of inculcating good morals, both in narratives of truth and fiction. Much has been said and written against the reading of novels, and other works of the imagination.

The human mind craves excitement and adventure. This is particularly noticeable with the young, who delight to read of hair breadth escapes, and sanguinary conflicts, that to older minds would seem both unreasonable and improbable.

There is a class of stories that though highly extravagant and wholly improbable, have no demoralizing tendency or bad influence upon a child's mind. Who is there living that cannot remember with what a pleasurable thrill they first read the narrative of "Jack and the Beanstalk," "The Giant Killer," and "Blue Beard," and who has read them, that will admit that they were injured thereby.

The human mind must have literature suited to its degree of development. Wise men like Darwin, Agassiz, and Tyndall might pronounce a cheap novel or an ordinary serial a most ridiculous conglomeration of unmitigated trash and nonsense,—yet there are persons living, older than they, who can read such literature with the deepest interest and pleasure.

It is the common people then, the working people, the great masses of humanity, that comprise the muscle and sinew of our country, that fill our workshops and our farms, who prefer and enjoy light literature.

By light literature I mean that kind of reading that is emotional rather than logical and practical; that plays upon the feelings of men rather than put their minds to thinking.

Any harmless pleasure men may find that will promote their happiness in living, without injury to their morals, is a good thing.

A young boy reads of daring deeds and honorable adventures; he goes through battles and conflicts with his heroes, he beholds scenes of happiness and love that awaken the noblest and best impulses of his nature, he walks with kings and princes in palace halls, his mind glows with visions of regal splendor, until the scenes and creatures of the authors' imagination seem to be come to the reader tangible shapes and forms.

Light literature is not necessarily pernicious literature. Authors should be guarded with reference to the lessons in life they teach, and publishers should consider the responsibility that is imposed upon them with reference to what may be the influence of the works they send forth into the world.

A morning paper says that at the present time there are between 7,000 and 8,000 children kidnapped from Italy and held in slavery in large cities in the United States. New York being the great central entrepot, children are brought there and sold at private auction—prices varying from \$100 to \$400 for boys, and \$100 to \$500 for girls.

Nashville, June 25.—There were 26 deaths from Cholera to day, of which 14 were white persons. A special from Gallatin reports the increase there.

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS.

Sheriff's Sale. NOTICE OF SALE ON EXECUTION. BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION Issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Baker, upon a judgment rendered in said Court, on the Twenty-second day of May, A. D. 1873.

Third day of July, A. D. 1873, at 2 o'clock P. M. at the Court House Door, in Baker City, Baker county, Oregon, upon the following described property, to-wit: The Ten Stamp Steam Quartz Mill, situated near Pochontas, Baker county, Oregon, known as the Company Mill of Messrs. Murren & Co., located on the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section five, in Township nine, south of Range thirty-nine east, said building being forty-two feet by thirty feet and two stories high; also one-half acre of ground upon which said mill and appurtenances are situated, together with the tenements and appurtenances and appurtenances belonging or in anywise appertaining thereto on or after the sixteenth day of March, A. D. 1872.

JAMES H. SHINN, Sheriff.

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Thursday, 10th day of July, A. D. 1873, at 2 o'clock P. M., at the Court House Door, in Baker City, Baker county, Oregon, all the right, title and interest of B. D. Buford in and to the following described property, to-wit: That certain Saw Mill, situate at Kootz Creek, on the line of the Malheur, Burnt River Consolidated Ditch and Mining Company's Ditch, known as the Burr River Ditch—said Mill is about eight miles west of the town of Eldorado, Baker County, Oregon, together with the machinery and appurtenances thereunto belonging.

Also, all the right, title and interest of the said B. D. Buford in and to that certain Flume, situate in Quartz Gulch, Baker county, Oregon, and used to work that Flume, known as the Sherman Flume, also, all that certain mining ground known as the Sherman ground, and more particularly described as follows: Ten Flat Claims of Two Hundred feet square each, joining the Koon claim; also, Three claims of land on the east side of Quartz Gulch, fronting Two Hundred feet each on the above mentioned Flat claims, and extending back to the Summit of the Hill; also, Three Flat claims on Williams' Flat of Two Hundred feet square, joining Delany & Moore's claims; also, Three Hill claims on the west side of Quartz Gulch, fronting Two Hundred feet each on the line of Sherman's Flat claims, and extending back to the Summit of the Hill; also, Two Flat claims known as the Jack Scott claims; also, two Gulch claims of Three Hundred feet each on Posey Gulch.

JAMES H. SHINN, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Sale.

BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION Issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Grant County, and to me directed and delivered, for a judgment rendered in said Court, on the 15th day of December, A. D. 1872, in favor of J. M. French, G. B. Gillman and J. M. Roche and against John Worswick and I. J. Hagnewood for the sum of Four Hundred and one Dollar and five cents, Damages, together with — Dollars, Tax Costs, and all accruing Costs, I have levied on the following Property, to-wit:

Notice is hereby given, that on the Thirty-First day of July, A. D. 1873, at the hour of Ten o'clock, A. M., I will sell all the right, title and interest of said I. J. Hagnewood and John Worswick in and to the above described property, at the Court House Door in Canyon City, Grant County, Oregon, at Public Auction, for cash in hand, to the highest and best bidder, to satisfy said Execution and all costs.

W. M. P. GRAY, Sheriff, Grant County, O.

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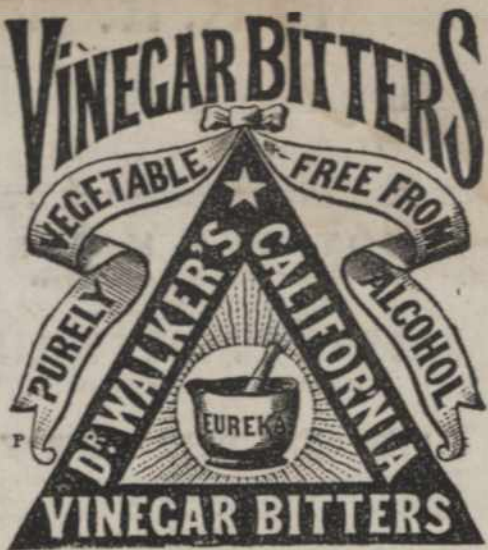
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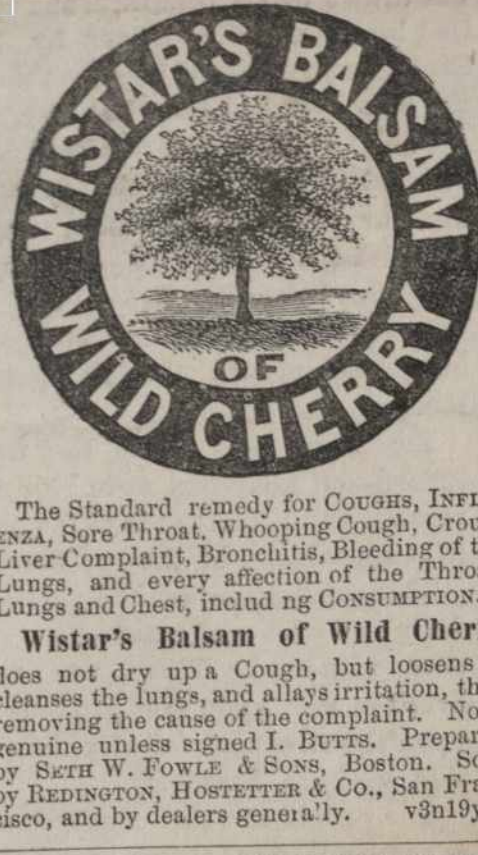
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