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"BOSSISM."

The recent developments in the New York Leg-
islature, resulting in the temporary defeat of Mr.
Conkling, have given all the old-time sore-
headed kicked-outers and envy-stricken, would-be
rulers and dispensers of Federal patronage their
long-desired opportunity to indulge in journalistic
moralizing, platform platitudinizing, street-cor-
ner comment, and pulpit gush of such character
as would, before the universal era of common
schools, have led everybody to believe that no
present enemy of "stalwartism" ever had held an
office on the plan he condemns, or ever been a
"boss" himself. Yet such is the perversity of
both memory and understanding among those
who have had the benefit of the public schools in
their youth, and can therefore read and think for
themselves, that they are not able to forget that
the present outcry of the above-named moralists
does not correspond with their former record.
When Attorney-General Williams was United
States Senator from Oregon, it is well known that
he controlled the Federal patronage of the State.
That Senators Corbett and Mitchell did likewise,
has passed into history. That Senator Kelly did
not and Senators Grover and Slater have not fol-
lowed in their footsteps, has been because they
were not and are not on the winning side in Fed-
eral politics. The same ruling known as "the
courtesy of the Senate" that has operated in New
York and Oregon has operated elsewhere in every
State in the Union, under every administration
since the days of President Jackson. Nobody be-
lieves that any set of sane partisans would, if
victorious in a political contest, follow any other
precedent than the long established one, "To the
victors belong the spoils."

So long as the present system of appointive of-
fices continues, just so long will the abuses that
grow out of the "boss" system exist as inevitable
consequences. Just so long as the appointing
power rests with the President, it being impossible
for him to know every office-seeker or holder, or
a tenth part of them in any State in the Union,
just so long will it be necessary and honorable—
all objections to the contrary notwithstanding—
for the President to confer with the Senators in
reference to appointments from their several
States. For the President to assert his individual
authority in these matters in any State, in oppo-
sition to the wish of the Senators, is to take the
power from the comparatively greater number of
individuals and make a one-man power under a
system infinitely more deplorable than the "boss-
ism" which the above-named classes are fighting.

Mr. Conkling did a foolish thing when he re-
signed his seat in the Senate and took Mr. Platt
along with him, and it has convinced him that "a
bird in the hand is worth two in the bush;" but
it has not "killed" him, as his opponents state,
and as they will learn to their sorrow by and by;
for the sober second thought of the people will
rise up and certify that the President transcended
Executive bounds, and made himself a "stalwart
of the stalwarts" when he defied the New York
Senators and removed their friend from the cus-
tom House without a cause, to make room for
their enemy on no other ground than that he pre-
ferred to do so for personal reasons. That he
knew he was acting unfairly is evident, or he
would have consulted with the New York Sena-
tors and with Vice-President Arthur, and obtained
their consent before taking such a step.

The NEW NORTHWEST is opposed to the "boss"
system. It believes that a one-man power in the
Executive chair is more dangerous than a two-
man power in any single State. It decries the
latter system as only about sixty degrees removed
from the other; but it is the best we can have till
appointive offices are entirely abolished by a Con-
stitutional amendment.

Mr. Conkling has been defeated in his attempt
to defeat the one-man power of "bossism" in his
State through its present Legislature. This de-
feat serves him right when viewed from one stand-
point. He should have fought the President
within the lines. To go outside to fight was folly,
as has been proven. But the reaction will come.
The people will soon see that the present outcry
against him does not come from the proper source,
nor does it reach after the seat of the trouble.

Every State should control its own patronage
through its own electors. This is the only way
to kill "bossism." As it is, every man who con-
trols Federal patronage is a boss, and every man
who is striving to control it will be a boss if he
succeeds. Neither the President of the United
States nor Roscoe Conkling ought to be the boss
of the State of New York, nor should like officers
in like capacity control the Federal patronage of
Oregon.

SOCIAL SCIENCE SOCIETY.

We are in receipt of the first issue of an aggres-
sive and sprightly journal, called the *Woman's
Herald of Industry*, edited and published in
San Francisco by Mrs. J. W. Stow, the irre-
pressible opponent of probate confiscation, who
has given the one-sexed government of the Golden
City more genuine cause for anxiety, on its own
account, than all other interests combined. Mrs.
Stow has fought administrators' courts at every
turn during the past seven or eight years, and is
as thoroughly hated as feared by the soft-fingered
officials who grow rich by fattening upon the con-
fiscated bounty of such members of the "protected
sex" as have been subjected to the tender mercy
of probate laws by the icy hand of death.

Mrs. Stow has recently originated "The Califor-
nia Woman's Social Science Association," of
which she is President, and which embraces the
several departments of philanthropy and reform,
education, art, sanitary science, household sci-
ence, political economy, and the science of gov-
ernment. These departments are each complete
in themselves, under the supervision of lady chair-
men, among them Dr. M. P. Sawtelle and Attorney
Clara S. Foltz, formerly of Oregon. Among the
sub-departments we notice a publishing and gen-
eral finance committee, a lecture bureau, etc.
In the educational department, music, elocu-
tion, painting, modern languages, history, physi-
ology, physical culture, phonography, telegraphy,
dress-making, lace-making and embroidery are
taught at the nominal price of twenty-five cents
per lesson for members, and fifty cents for non-
members.

The objects of the Association are to suggest
and develop plans for the advancement of indus-
trial, educational, social, philanthropic and moral
interests; to learn how to live pure and healthful
lives; how to make beautiful hygienic single and
associate homes; how to prepare simple, unadul-
terated food and drink; how to cleanse the home
of tobacco, whisky and drugs; how to live five
times the period of growth; how to clothe every
part of the body so that circulation will be unim-
peded; how to conserve time for study and amuse-
ments; how to progress without robbing the brain
and purse of another; how to master the science
of child-bearing and rearing and the immutable
laws of heredity; and how to worship the true
God. The *Woman's Herald of Industry* is the
outgrowth of this Association.

Mrs. Stow is the owner of a house and lot on
Sacramento street, and claims that for refusing to
re-macadamize the street, which was already in
good repair, she was dragged to prison and made
to suffer intolerable indignities. A page of her
paper is devoted to a graphic recital of the whole
story, and makes racy reading, which everybody
except incumbents of municipal offices will enjoy.
Send for sample copies to the publication office,
No. 304 Stockton street, San Francisco, Cal.

The world is accustomed to strikes of various
descriptions, but a combination of domestic ser-
vants to secure an increase of wages is a novelty.
A dozen girls of Pittsburg, alarmed by the im-
minent descent of a number of Presbyterian clergy-
men, delegates to the General Assembly at Alle-
ghany City, asked a raise of wages from \$2.50 to
\$3.00 per week, basing their request upon the
capacity of the ministerial stomach and visions
of big dinners and extra work. Their demand
was refused, and they went out on a strike. The
places were promptly filled by other girls at the
old rates, who, as a matter of course, say they
"had to take the places or starve," which is, in
substance, the reason always given by those who
fill the positions of strikers. It would be interest-
ing to know what would have become of them if
the strike had not taken place.

The reputed editor of the *Spokane Falls Chroni-
cle* has called a certain bachelor clergyman to
his aid to write up half a column (he couldn't
have done it himself) of very malicious sophistry
and tolerably clever rhetoric, in a vain attempt
to deceive the public by a scurrilous attack upon
the senior editor of the NEW NORTHWEST, who,
in her determination to faithfully note everything
that occurs in her journeyings, is sometimes com-
pelled to hold a mirror before certain voters that
they may see themselves as women see them.
The NEW NORTHWEST does not expect voters,
who are rebuked for ungentlemanly deportment
in a lady's presence, to abstain from getting into
print with an outcry when they are publicly and
properly punished for their misconduct.

In the *Woman's Exponent* of Salt Lake we find
this notice: "The ladies of this Territory who are
native-born or naturalized citizens, and who wish
to exercise the privilege of the ballot, should at-
tend the meetings of their respective primaries
and get a correct understanding of the matter in
question, viz.: the nomination of officers to be
voted for at the August election. Every woman
who values liberty should be punctual at the polls,
and cast her vote intelligently for the candidate
of her choice."

We learn by a private note from Captain Wil-
kinson that his new recruit of little Indians are
fast losing themselves among his numerous band,
and that all appear happy and are healthy and
contented.

The ear marks of a certain "needy parson" of
Lawston memory are plainly visible in the late
attack upon Mrs. Dunnway that appears in the
Spokane Falls Chronicle.

A CHILD CONDEMNED.

The illegitimate son of a prominent and respect-
able voter and protector of women was sent some
time ago to the Pacific University at Forest Grove
by his wronged, betrayed and abandoned mother,
who desired to bring up her son in the ways of
Christianity, education and honor. It is well
known to our readers that the Pharisees of that
University, who compass sea and land to make
one proselyte from the ranks of degraded Kanaka,
Indian or Chinese mothers, refused to receive this
innocent son of a Christian gentleman into their
ranks, in direct defiance of the heavenly injunc-
tion, "Whosoever will, let him come," for fear the
gospel grace of the Divine Teacher would be in-
adequate for his salvation. It was not charged
that the child was bad. They were only afraid he
would become bad. So he was remanded back to
Second street. His mother, in her strong desire
to bring him up properly, recently tried to place
him in the Catholic school in this city, but met
with no better success than at Forest Grove. We
ask the professed followers of the Son of Mary to
pause and inquire, What would have been the
conduct of the Master under like conditions? Do
they not believe that the blood of Jesus Christ
cleanseth from all sin? We have no words of ex-
cuse for the present life of the wronged and out-
raged mother of a respectable Christian's illegiti-
mate son. But we cannot refrain from severest
censure of the hollow bigotry that respects and
honors the father, but condemns the child, be-
cause of the mother's sin, to a life of ignorance
and dissipation. The mother's card is published
in the interest of humanity, Christianity and jus-
tice. It speaks for itself.

Two young girls living near Frostburg, Pa., for
the past four years have had control of a farm of
about 160 acres. They have plowed, sowed,
reaped, built fences, raised hogs and performed
the other countless duties incident to a pastoral
life. In addition to their outside duties, the care
of a widowed and invalid mother has been a tax
on their energies. One of them is a shoemaker,
and all work of that kind used by the family is
executed by her. The house in which they live
is large and roomy, yet these two girls, whose
ages, by the way, are 22 and 20, have made all the
carpet, and made it well, too, painted a number
of farm scenes and family portraits in oil, and
filled up the otherwise vacant spots with wax-
work, etc. Besides, the fact that the ladies are
good musicians, and that they never shock your
refined ear with ungrammatical remarks, is also
noteworthy.

The Orange County (N. Y.) Medical Society
has been persecuting Mrs. Esther Coe Smith.
One of its members endeavored to prosecute her
for practicing without a diploma, but the Grand
Jury, after examining a number of her patients,
refused to indict her. The M. D. who entered the
complaint was prompted to do so from the fact
that she had cured several of his patients after he
had utterly failed. He is an average specimen of
the men who flaunt the "protection" nonsense.
The *Middletown Sentinel* thinks that in the future
Mrs. Smith will be allowed to practice in peace
and that the Medical Society has given her a first-
class free advertisement. The persecution con-
vinced the Grand Jury and others that she is
fitted for her work, even if in her youth allopathic
colleges and hospitals were closed against her.

The sixth regular meeting of the District of
Columbia Social Science Association was held in
the residence of Prof. and Mrs. H. C. Spencer at
Washington City on Saturday evening, June 25,
at 8 o'clock. Permanent officers were elected as
follows: President, Mrs. Sara A. Spencer; Vice-
Presidents, Hon. John Eaton, Mrs. Maria T. Wal-
ling, Hon. John Hiltz; Secretary, Dr. Wm. Tin-
dall; Treasurer, Rev. A. Floridus Steele. The
resident members of the American Social Science
Association in Washington are President Gar-
field, Gen. Francis A. Walker, Hon. John Eaton,
President Welling, of Columbia College; Presi-
dent Gallaudet, of the Deaf Mute Asylum; Chas.
Nordhoff, of the *Herald*, and (ex officio) the pre-
sident, secretary and treasurer of the District of
Columbia Association.

The few voters of Spokane whose disrespectful
treatment of the senior editor of the NEW NORTH-
WEST was truthfully delineated in her correspond-
ence from that locality a short time since, are
now trying to creep out of disgrace by calling
themselves "the wives and mothers of Spokane
Falls," and conclude their blubbering by the fol-
lowing pathetic wall, sent by a bachelor preacher
through their very contracted mouth-piece, the
Chronicle: "She should remember that women
have many rights they may give up to retain their
honor!" It seems they are not so vain over the
"britches" as they thought they were, after all.

In the past, *Andrews' Bazar* has been in the
front rank of fashion publications, and with its
augmented capital and largely increased facilities
the life ambition of its founder, to give the best
fashion paper in the world at the lowest price,
only \$1.00 per year, bids fair to be realized. The
present number is filled to repletion with fashion
news, and handsomely illustrated. Send 10c for
sample copy to the Queen Publishing Company,
Tribune Building, New York.

The interesting and logical essay on our first
page by a gentleman of independent means is worthy
of careful reading.

The *Dalles Times*, after stating that one Michael
Buckley, residing at the Cascades, had recently
been found guilty of wife-beating, made this com-
ment: "We have not heard any of the circum-
stances, but are sorry that any person capable of
committing that crime can be found in Wasco
county, and regret that the whipping-post was
not established in Oregon for such criminals." This
adds another to the large number of news-
papers that want brutal husbands punished in
a way that will stop their tyranny. Wife-beaters
are lost to shame, honor or conscience, and their
punishment should be such as to appeal directly
to their sense of physical pain.

The *Pomeroy Independent* is informed that with
pleasure the NEW NORTHWEST "makes a note
that Wesleyan Female College in Macon, Ga.,
was the first college in the world to confer literary
degrees on women. This college has not closed
its work but two days in 44 years, and that was
when Gen. Wilson had charge of the city in Gen.
Sherman's march to the sea. The M. E. Church
South is the owner of this institution of learning,
and its course in granting women equality in all
things in its line is approved by every minister
and member of said church—to which there are
one million adherents in her pale."

The *North American Review* for August will
gain wide attention from its first paper, a discus-
sion on "The Christian Religion" by Robert G.
Ingersoll and Judge Jeremiah S. Black. The
former makes his assault in crisp, epigrammatic
sentences, and the latter repels it in vigorous
style. Other articles are an "Obstacle to Annex-
ation" (of Canada), F. G. Mather; "Crime and
Punishment in New York," Rev. Howard Crosby;
"A Militia for the Sea," John Roach; "Astronomi-
cal Observatories," Prof. Simon Newcomb;
"The Public Lands of the United States," Thos.
Donaldson.

There is in San Jose, according to the *Mercury*
of that city, a little mite of a maiden, named Seda
Reveras, whose exhibition of American pluck
deserves encouragement. The tot conceived the
idea of selling books "to pay mamma's rent," and
is succeeding admirably as a canvasser. The
mother has for years met unflinchingly life's stern
demands, working with tired hands early and
late, and now that she is left a widow, with two
helpless babes, her intelligent little daughter rises
in the strength of filial love to smooth the men-
acing face of want.

Mrs. Livermore says in a letter from London to
the *Woman's Journal*: "We complain in America
of ubiquitous reporters and columns full of per-
sonal matters, but let us be thankful that public
immorality and national wrong doing cannot with
us take shelter behind the ramparts of a muzzled
press."

The first paper devoted to woman's rights was
The Lily, edited by Mrs. Amelia Bloomer, now a
resident of Council Bluffs, Iowa. Its publication
commenced January 1st, 1849, and continued six
years.

The regular pastor of the Baptist Church at
Wheaton, Ill., is a woman, who is highly es-
teemed by her congregation.

FOREIGN NEWS.

The whole of the Transvaal is virtually retro-
ceded to the Boers.
Americans at Wimbledon won the Alert Jewel
shooting at 1,000 yards range.

The Chinese treaties with the United States
were ratified at Peking on July 14th.

Meyers, America's phenomenal runner, easily
wins all the matches he enters in England.

A French column will soon occupy strategic
points in Algeria and chastise disaffected tribes of
Arabs.

The troops of the Bey of Tunis have deserted *en
masse*. Hardly enough are left to guard his
palace.

Russian Nihilists are everywhere active, and
General Ignatieff's efforts to destroy their orga-
nization meets with no success.

Tunis may be said to be in a complete state of
anarchy. The British government is no longer
recognized. Apparently rebellion will spread
wherever the French are not in occupation.

A young Nihilist student at St. Petersburg, to
whose lot it fell to try to assassinate the Czar on
July 15th, succeeded on the 18th in preference. Be-
fore life was extinct, however, he betrayed the
names of his fellow conspirators, and they are un-
der arrest.

The English are exercised over the arrival from
America of several innocent looking barrels which
contained "infernal machines." They were ce-
ment barrels filled with black earth, but in each
was found about fourteen pounds of nitro-glycer-
ine and some clock-like machinery.

Rocheport's paper (Paris) reports that the Nihil-
ists have held a great and solemn meeting of the
Executive Committee. Several exiles came from
Geneva. The meeting "resolved to warn the
Czar once more, and then if he doesn't heed it, he
and his pig-headed advisers will perish."

Appointed Attorney.

Mr. Benjamin I. Cohen has removed his law
office to the suit of rooms numbered 20 in Union
Block. Mr. Cohen has been appointed resident
attorney of the Equitable Mercantile Company of
New York, and also of the North American At-
torney's and Tradesmen's Protective Union Com-
pany of Connecticut. These are two of the largest
and most respectable collection agencies in the
country, and claims placed in Mr. Cohen's hands
will receive careful attention and be vigorously
pressed by the best legal talent in the United
States and Canada. He has also engaged a com-
petent assistant to aid him in the enforcement of
local claims.