THE ASHLAND TIDINGS

FRIDAY.....OCTOBER 18, 1878

POLITICAL SHARPS.

In Colorado the Greenback vote was only 1 290. The legislature is more than three fourths Republican.

It is the opinion of the venerable Peter Cooper that Butler will be elected Governor, and stand a fair chance for the Democratic National nomination for President in 1880.

General Toombs and Alexander H. Stephens are showing their independence by supporting Dr. Felton, the bolting candidate, against the regular Democrat nominee for congress in the VII Georgia district. The Bourbons of the state are beholding the spectacle with unspeakable anguish.

The Boston *Journal* protests against repentable people considering Ben Butler an 'amoosin cuss."

The new political doctrine is this: Never put in office those who have done anything for the Republican party, and never let them do anything for the Republican party after they are in office.

The New York *Sun* says: "The Republican party of Pennsylvania is crowding into the Greenback wagon so fast that every now and then some distinguished convert tumbles over the tail board and raises a good deal of dust.

Matt Carpenter says that Hayes "is a goodly, psalm singing, kind of a man." It is pretty well known that Matt is otherwise, with bills of particulars.

The Hon. Ben Hill begins to think that the Democratic party never can be killed. It has stood a great many hard doses, but it remains to be seen if Ben Butler's crow will not "pizen" the party in Massachusetts. The principles of Democracy are inextinguishable, but blunderers in propagating them may make a good many prophets turn blue, if they do not have a care.

The Washington *Post* prints a copy of a receipt for $5 given by the Union Republican Congressional Executive Committee to a female clerk for "her contribution to the campaign fund." This is a complete recognition of woman's rights The female clerks have the privilege of paying just the same as men and of being dismissed if they don't pay.

SHORT BITS.

All that God does for man He does by man.

One hour of justice is worth seventy years of prayer.

All virtues grow from a compassionate love of mankind.

Ladies are bad railroad conductors, their trains are always behind.

To forgive one's enemies, yet hope that God will punish them, is not to forgive enough.

When a man unused to labor joins a workingman's party, it is presumed he is working for an office.

The young ladies of Vassar are not allowed to have pets within the college, other than the regular professors.

As soon as a man gets perfectly familiar with his own name, he writes it so that nobody can possibly read it.

A Minnosota man, who could never afford to take a paper, mortgaged his house last week to buy more dogs.

There is a wonderful power in imagination, but it gets weak in the knees when it undertakes to shoulder picnic lemonade.

"Find us an honest lawyer!" exclaims the Brooklyn *Argus*, waving its wild arms about. Oh, go to the poor house and pick 'em out.

Mi, dear friend as strange az it may seem to yu, mankind had rather see yu fail than succeed, bekause they had rather pity than admire.

A Yankee was asked if he had crossed the Alps mountains. "Well, now you call my attention to the fact, I guess I did pass over some risin' ground."

A near sighted man, declined to fight a duel unless his opponent should be located six feet further from him than his position from his opponent.

A woman will face a frowning world and cling to the man she loves through the most bitter adversity, but she wouldn't wear a hat three weeks behind the style to save the Government.

"What is to be done with tramps?" asks the *Sun*. We respectfully suggest that they be placed between the ties of the Metropolitian railroad to deaden the sound.—*New York Mail.*

A St. Louis woman was on her way to drown herself. A stranger smiled at her, and she repented and is now the owner of seven patent rights and a husband. The moral is plain.

An Eastern editor throws up the sponge, with the remark that "it does not pay to run a paper in a town where business men read almanacs and pick their teeth with the tail of a herring.

Kindness runs a great ways. A Kansas jailor found this out the other day when he kindly allowed a prisoner to walk out and take the air. Kindness made a run of thirteen miles before they caught him.

The *Courier Journal* remarks: "A Chicago man has put up a $10,000 monument over his wife; but every man can't do so much. This one was a saloon keeper.

Snodgrass says that two young ladies kissing each other are like an emblem of Christianity, because they are doing unto each other as they would men should do unto them.

The other day, as two newly-arrived Irishmen were walking up street, a pavement trap-door opened and a Chinese store-porter emerged. "Be gorra?" said one of them, 'If the haythens haven't got a tunnel clane through from Chinee, bad luck to thim!"

An American tourist was visiting Naples, and saw Vesuvius during an eruption, "Have you anything like that in the New World?" was the question of an Italian spectator. "No," replied Jonathan, "but I guess we have a mill-dam that would put it out in five minutes!"

"I wish you wouldn't give me such short weight for my money," said a customer who had an out-standing bill against him. "And I wish you wouldn't give me such long wait for mine," replied the grocer.

An Irishman hearing of the death of a friend, and wishing to attend the wake, but not knowing exactly where he resided last, went to the house which he thought was the right one, and enquired, "Is this where the man lives that's dead?"

Two tramps stopped at the house of a lone widow, and one went in to beg. Very soon he came out with a black eye. "Well, did you get anything, Jack?" asked the other. "Yes," growled the poor sufferer, "I got the widow's might.

The leaves are turning slowly yellow; their Summer's hue is hence, the ripening fruit is on the mellow, the small boy on the fence. He looks around, he views the ground, and thinks the moment suits; he fills his pockets full and round, then jumps the fence and scoots.

CLEANING BLACK SILK.—One of the things "not generally known," at least in this country, is the Parisian method of cleaning black silk; the *modus operadi* is very simple, and the result infinitely superior to that achieved in any other manner. The silk must be thoroughly brushed and wiped with a cloth, then lay flat on a board or table and sponge well with hot coffee, thoroughly freed from sediment by being strained through muslin. The silk is sponged on the side intended to show, it is allowed to become partially dry and then iron on the wrong side. The coffee removes every particle of grease, and restores the brilliancy of the silk without imparting to it either the shiny appearance or crackly and papery stiffness obtained by beer, or indeed any other liquid. The silk really appears thickened by the process, and this good effect is permanent. Our readers who will experiment on an apron or cravat, will never again try any other method.

AN ORNAMENTAL VINE.—Take a large well shaped sweet potato and place it root end down in a tumbler or goblet, and put it in as much water as the glass will hold. In a short time roots will reach out and sprouts begin to appear, and in the course of a few weeks there will be a nice growth of vines. If the potato is large enough or the glass small enough to prevent the root end of the former reaching the bottom of the tumbler, it will be better, as it gives room to the rootlets to ramify and feed. The glass may be set on a bracket beneath a picture and the vines trained up and around the frame, or it may be kept behind the picture. If there is not enough taste in this manner of growing, the potato may be imbedded in a large sponge.

CORN BREAD.

Two cups Indian, one cup wheat,
One cup sour milk, one cup sweet;
One good egg that you will beat,
Half a cup molasses too,
Half a cup sugar add thereto:
With one spoon of butter new,
Salt and soda each a spoon;
Mix up quickly and bake it soon;
Then you'll have corn bread complete,
Best of all corn bread you meet.
It will make your boy's eyes shine,
If he's like that boy of mine;
If you have a dozen boys,
To increase your household joys,
Double then this rule I should,
And you'll have two corn cakes good.
When you've nothing nice for tea,
This the very thing will be,
All the men that I have seen
Say it is of all cakes queen;
Good enough for any king
That a husband home can bring;
Warming up the human stove;
Cheering up the hearts you love,
And old Tyndall can explain
The links between corn bread and brain.
Get a husband what he likes,
And save a hundred household strikes.

—[LYDIA M. MILLARD.

The Pillar Rock Packing Co., shipped 4,000 cases of salmon on the *Dixie Thomqson*, the other day, and have 2,000 cases more ready to send off.

A cockney at the Falls of Niagari, when asked how he liked the Falls, replied: "They're 'andsome—quite so; but they don't quite hanser my hexpectations; besides I got vetted and lost me 'at. I prefer to look at 'em in han hingraving in 'ot weather, and in the 'ouse."

Southern Oregon.

There is much in every way in the mountains and valleys of Southern Oregon to excite the curiosity, to kindle the imagination, and gratify the taste of a thinking mind, whether it be the snowy crest of some bold mountain looking down from the giddy heights of the grand old Cascades, or the hidden streamlet, winding in its way through the mosses and ferns. There is a peculiariness in the buried scenery of Southern Oregon, that nowhere else can be found. The babbling river dropping down from the mountain fastnesses o'er rudy pebbles and crystal sands, bear on its bosom the richest hues. The mountains, unlike many others, stand dotted over with straggling pines, and like valiant sentinels of a mighty army, seem to be keeping watch over the rocky fastnesses of their mountain homes.

The lovely Rogue River Valley, the gem and fairy queen of the West, the young Switzerland of America, stands almost unraveled for its beauty. But the greatest natural wonder, and the pride of Southern Oregon, is Crater Lake, located high up on the very summit of the Cascades mountains—silvery and mirror like, this loveliest of lakes, it throws its maiden-like charms of beauty to the awe struck traveler from beneath the shadowed walls of 3,000 feet, sublime in all its lovely grandeur, it fails not to impress upon the mind of the traveler a feeling of admiration never to be forgotten. Oh! what a beautiful field for the labors of the painter and poet, what great and useful lessons that are here presented to the thinking mind of the enquiring student, as he treads his way through the confines of some rocky fissure, or follows some old river channel lifted high up on the mountain top. He delves down deep into the gravelly bed of the ancient river, and behold! to his utter astonishment, the unsightly place yields up to him its hidden treasures—pure gold.—*Record.*

THE NIHILISTS.

The Nihilists may be regarded as the front ranks of the malcontents in Russia; the innumerable forces of the opposition who are behind them do not actively support them, but tolerate them as the champions of a cause which is also to some extent their own. In a meeting of the so-called constitutional party at Kieff it was expressly stated that, although the ideas which the Nihilist have in view cannot be accepted, their efforts to overthrow the existing order of things must be regarded with sympathy. This is the universal feeling of all people in Russia who think.

The citadel of Russian despotism which alone had not been undermined by the waves of the revolution is the third division of the state chancery, or secret police, and the Nihilists determined to attack it. * * * War was declared on the blue uniforms, and the first victims have been, besides General Mesentzoff and the police agent at Rostoff, the chief of the gardames in Kharkoff, the chief of the secret police at Pultava. * * * The organization of the party is a very powerful one. Each Government has a principal committee and sub committees, which are called 'kruschid,' these sub committees exist in the Caucasus. The leaders of the committees are not known even to their members and the sub-committee at St. Petersburg, which calls itself the 'national government,' is shrouded in impenetrable secrecy. The central committees obtain printed orders, arms and plans of operations direct from St. Petersburg. At Odessa alone, there are several thousand members of the society.

The panic in Government circles is indescribable. The organization is said to have penetrated the school, universities, and even the military academies; and the police do not venture to lay hands on the Nihilists, fearing the secret sentences of the revolutionary tribunals.

The correspondent adds that the organization has powerful supporters in the ranks of society, and that a lady who is one of the leaders of Russian fashion was arrested the other day, a number of letters having been found in her house from the chief of the Nihilists committee at St. Petersburg.

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