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NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

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"A CLEVER GENTLEMAN."

This was the title of Rev. P. S. Knight's last Sunday evening lecture. The lecture was delivered in Mr. Knight's usual pleasant off-hand manner, and was listened to by a large audience.

Mr. Knight commenced by stating that he was all mixed up about some subjects, and this was one of them. He would really like to know what a "clever gentleman" was, but feared he did not. He might give Webster's definition of the two words: Clever—Dextrous; expert; ingenious; good natured; affable. Gentleman—One who is well-born; well-bred; polished; good mannered. So the words "clever" and "gentleman" have in one sense a similar meaning. And, according to Webster, a "clever gentleman" is either one who is affable, pleasant and sociable; or who is also dextrous, ingenious, intelligent, quick-witted. But it requires very little knowledge of the world to convince any one of the insufficiency of this definition. We hear the word used every day with a liberty justified by neither of these meanings. The fact is there is scarcely a man in the world that somebody is not willing to call a "clever gentleman."

The expression is used as an apology sometimes in a most curious and contradictory way. One person says of another: "Yes, he is a member of a church; he is a Christian; he is a preacher," etc., etc. But then, he is a "clever gentleman;" as much as to say that his religion does not make him surly, vulgar, ill-mannered or mean. Sometimes one politician denounces another as a corruptionist, briber, embezzler, liar, horse-shief, bigamist, swindler and villain. But when he talks about the same man in good natured moments, or in decent company, he will say he is a "clever gentleman." So in the same absurd way we hear of men who are dishonest. They make contracts that they never fulfill; incur debts that never pay; but they are "clever gentlemen."

We hear of other "clever gentlemen" who swindle the assessor. They wiggle out of their taxes every time and by every mean subterfuge they can, even committing perjury when nothing else will serve. There are other men engaged in the meanest kind of slander—mere traders in wholesale and retail scandal—men more than any kidnapping slave trader that ever lived—who use the tongue, the pen, and the press, for their vile purposes. Yet they put in their claim, and are recognized by half the world as "clever gentlemen." And there is your cold-blooded, smooth-tongued, clammy-handed, double-sided, eel-like specimen of a man who goes winding and giggling through the world, leaving his serpent-like trail on every thing he touches. An immaculate shirt-sleeve and a fine coat will make of him a "clever gentleman."

And there is your dirty story teller, whose tongue rolls in filth as naturally as a muck worm in his native element. The end of his ambition is to gather a low crowd about him—it suits him all the better if there are boys among them, and tell vulgar anecdotes that would make a barn-yard blush. Yet even he can put on kid gloves and a starched collar and appear at the reception in the presence of ladies as a "clever gentleman." It is said of another, that he drinks. He keeps his wife in rags perhaps. He comes home intoxicated and turns his family out of doors. His nose is like a torch, his stomach like a swill tub, his breath is tainted with rottenness, and his eyes look like two slimy entrances for the serpents of delirium tremens. But then a fine coat, a sleek hat and a few cardamon seeds will transform even this apparently hopeless specimen into a "clever gentleman." All this as the world goes.

Is the world right about it? Then Noah Webster was an ignoramus, religion is a cheat, George Washington was a traitor, Franklin was a fool, Arnold was a patriot, dishonesty is the best policy, "the world is hollow and I want to die."

But we say the world is not right. It is not the work of a "clever gentleman" to tell vulgar stories. He does not puff his tobacco smoke, nor his whisky breath in other people's faces unless he knows they like it. He is not a whitened sepulcher full of dead men's bones. He does not lie, nor steal, nor bribe, nor embezzle. He may wear a patched coat, but he does not wear a coat that some one else has paid for. It is that which is inside, not the externals, that makes a "clever gentleman." He is kind, peaceable,

fearless, true. He may not stop to shake hands every time he meets you; he may not bow himself off the sidewalk in excessive politeness; he may not use in addressing you all the titles that come before and after your name; he may even seem gruff and irritable sometimes. There are many things in the world to make men so.

In short, I take it that the "common law" of the truly "clever gentleman" will be that matchless precept which the united voice of manhood has called

THE GOLDEN RULE.

"Whatsoever ye would that others should do to you, do ye even so to them."

MULTNOMAH INDEPENDENTS.

We should have mentioned before that the Independents of Multnomah have placed an excellent ticket in the field and are bound to elect the same, as follows:

For State Senators—William Strong and J. S. M. VanCleave.

For Representatives—Jacob Johnson, C. W. Gay, R. S. Jewett, John Gearing, William Sherlock, S. Norris and Raleigh Stott.

County Judge—W. F. Trimble.

County Commissioners—H. Hansen and Chas. Holman.

Sheriff—E. J. Jeffrey.

Clerk—George L. Story.

Treasurer—A. Walman.

Assessor—John Dolan.

Surveyor—C. W. Burrage.

Superintendent of Schools—Rev. T. L. Elliot.

Coroner—Dr. G. Kellogg.

REPUBLICANS OF YAMHILL.

The Republican County Convention of Yamhill county met at Lafayette on Monday last and made the following nominations:

Senators—J. W. Watt, E. Russ.

Representatives—J. R. Saunders, Lee Laughlin, Joel Palmer.

County Judge—H. Hurley.

Clerk—R. H. Lamson.

Sheriff—A. B. Henry.

Commissioners—T. Groves, L. W. Heger.

Treasurer—Roe Kelly.

Surveyor—T. S. Gilbert.

Assessor—Mr. Davis.

School Superintendent—Mr. Robb.

The Republicans of Yamhill claim that they have never bowed the knee to Baal or done homage to the Custom House Ring. They have placed a very good ticket in the field and the voters of that county can select from the whole lot of candidates those that suit them.

INDEPENDENTS IN CLACKAMAS COUNTY.

The Independents of Clackamas met on Saturday last and made nominations as follows:

State Senator—Mr. Starkweather.

Representatives—R. Ramsby, Capt. Jno. Cochran, Joseph Young, Mr. Strickler.

Clerk—S. L. Stevens.

Sheriff—H. S. Buck.

Judge—Wm. Moreland.

Commissioners—Messrs. Latourette and Shirley.

Treasurer—Dr. Ross.

School Superintendent—Prof. Moreland.

Assessor—John Thomas.

County Central Committee—W. W. Buck, Thos. Jean and Jos. Winston.

ANCHOR PIONEER GONE.—We regret to learn of the death of Orus Brown, at Forest Grove on the 5th day of the present month. Mr. Brown was a brother of Mrs. V. K. Pringle, and since 1836 has resided near Salem with his relations. He was born in 1800 and came to Oregon in 1843, crossed the plains from Missouri, and located a donation land claim one mile north of Forest Grove, in Washington county. He returned to Missouri in 1845, and in 1846 came back with his family to take up a permanent residence. He resided there twenty years, and was a resident of this county from 1866 until that time previous to his death when he returned to Forest Grove, where he died as above stated. The emigrants of that day are gradually passing away and the old pioneers who crossed the plains with their families before 1850 will soon be few in number.

FINE WORK.—The Episcopal church is to be improved by the introduction of a new chancel railing, altar and lectern which are now being manufactured at the shop of Cooke & Dennis by D. W. Prentice. His ability as a fine workman is well understood, but the work in question is said to be finer workmanship than has ever before been turned out of the kind in our State. It is of native maple trimmed with black walnut and when finished and in place will show for itself.

Rock Point Farmers' Club.

Home Manufactures to be encouraged. The right kind of talk by the right kind of men. One of the results of the "Independent" and "Farmer's" movements, etc., etc.

[SPECIAL TO THE RECORD.]

The Rock Point Farmers Club met, May 8th, 1874. Dr. Mattison was chosen Chairman, protem. Mr. Denyer said in regard to starting Manufactories for Farm machinery, he had some little experience, thought to start in a small way first, say two or three times in a small establishment, saving the expense of an exclusive business agent, and grow up with the country was the best plan, as such a plan would be self-sustaining from the start, and such an establishment ought to be built up in every neighborhood; he thought he could build as good wagons as the Studebaker, in Amesville, and just as well finished and as cheap, had orders for a number already; thought if our people would give proper encouragement to our own workmen, we should soon have plenty of shops near home.

Mr. Uell thought Mr. Denyer was correct; build up our own factories and then we will have a home market—we are too prone to look abroad for help, let us help ourselves. Oregon sends abroad a million dollars annually, for farm machinery alone, believed we should pay this money to our own workmen. Mr. Hunt said if Mr. Denyer was willing to build just as good and just as cheap agricultural implements right here among us, then why send to South Bend or Chicago. The fact is we underestimate our resources, we have a habit of sending abroad for every thing, we fail to appreciate our own resources. Dr. Mattison thought it time we quit sending abroad for every thing we use; thought our domestic talent was just as good as the imported article. Look at New England, poor as is her soil her manufactures have made her wealthy. We pay for shipping our raw products to other countries, then pay for shipping the manufactured article back to us, paying freight both ways, our water power is abundant, let us utilize it and we can feed the mechanic here at home. Marion county pays out for pickles and canned fruits put up in California twelve thousand dollars, twelve hundred dollars per year for imported soap, twenty-four thousand dollars for boots and shoes, in this county alone. The leather in a great part is made here, then shipped to California, made up and sent back here; many of our vegetables are shipped from abroad; seventy-two thousand dollars for clothing, hats and caps for this county; is it any wonder we feel the want of money sometimes. The Dr. called attention to Amesville as a good point to start a farm implement factory; there was an excellent opening there for something of the kind as the water power was first-rate and could be bought low, together with the grist mill now in operation.

Mr. Hunt offered the following resolution, Resolved, that a Committee of three be appointed by the chair to take under advisement the subject of a farm implement factory, in this vicinity and report at our next meeting, which was adopted. G. W. Hunt, John Denyer, John Downing were appointed said committee. Club adjourned to meet on our regular day. Subject for next meeting a tree talk on matters and things in general. G. W. HUNT, Sec.

FARMERS' AGRICULTURAL WORKS.—Mr. Chas. Bowle is now canvassing the county for subscriptions to the farmers association for the manufacture of wagons and agricultural implements. The capital stock of the corporation is to be \$30,000, shares \$50 each. Looking at his subscription book we find many names of good citizens already recorded, with subscriptions annexed for one or more shares, so that a good start has already been had. Mr. Bowle is devoting his time to this matter and we hope will meet with success in his canvass for subscriptions. Every farmer can afford to invest \$50 in such an enterprise.

FURNITURE MANUFACTORY.—D. W. Prentice announces by advertisement that he is prepared to manufacture, for the wholesale trade, and for special orders, furniture of all kinds. In connection with the establishment of Messrs Cooke & Dennis he has every facility for such a business, and his skill as a workman justifies the opinion that he will make first class work and build up a good business.

For the first time in ten years it is a difficult matter to rent a comfortable dwelling house in Salem.

The Crops.

ENCOURAGING REPORTS OF THE WHEAT CROP—AN ABUNDANT YIELD PROMISED.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—The Department of Agriculture has received very full information concerning the appearance of wheat throughout the country. The returns cover a large proportion of the winter wheat area in each State. The winter has been extremely favorable in all sections. No previous season has been more generally so since the inauguration of crop reports. In the South very few exceptions to the general vigor and even luxuriance of the growth have appeared. In the Gulf coast region the winter pasturing of wheat fields has been practiced to the advantage of the crop. In New York and Pennsylvania the weather since the middle of March has been unfavorable on account of the sudden changes of temperature and cold winds, to the injury of wheat on clay and undrained lands. In Ontario, Niagara, Livingston, and Genesee, four counties which produce one-third of the winter wheat of New York, the average expectations are entertained, though some injury from freezing and thawing on low ground is reported. The promise is remarkable in Pennsylvania, nine-tenths of the counties making favorable returns, many of them very flattering. Fully three-fourths of the Ohio Valley report either average or superior condition. Beyond the Mississippi, Missouri and Kansas have still fewer unpromising reports. There are reports from the North-west which are more favorable than usual, but are of little consequence, as the winter wheat of Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Iowa constitutes less than two per cent. of the wheat of that region. The prospect in California is very promising, though complaints of injury from an unusual cause—wet weather—have come from several counties. The Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture reports a promise of 10,000,000 bushels in the State.

Pic-nic and Mass Meeting.

Hand-bills are out announcing that there will be a grand Independent turn-out of the people of Marion county, in Marion Square, Salem, on Saturday of next week. A grand procession of wagons, horsemen, and people will form at 11 o'clock and march through this city. Dinner at noon. People will bring their baskets well filled. After dinner, there will be speeches by Judge Boise, P. C. Sullivan, and others.

HARROW AND CLOD-BREAKER.—Mr. Adde Brothers publishes to-day a testimonial from several of the best known and most reliable farmers of Marion county certifying to the value of his invention, which has been for some time advertised in the FARMER. The success of his invention seems assured, and he is ready to dispose of farm rights on reasonable terms. The machines can be manufactured by any wagon or plow-maker.

RAW ROBBERIES.—Mr. J. Wright Sheriff of Douglas county brought down this afternoon, three recruits for the Penitentiary. Their names are James Field, sent for "larceny in dwelling," one year. J. T. Stump and John Cier for two years, each, for larceny in a store house.

The delinquent tax for 1873 in Marion county, amounts to less than \$3000, and Capt. Scott proposes to commence the first of next week to "interview" the aforesaid delinquents.

SOLD.—About 300 acres of the Rice donation claim, located in Spring Valley, Polk county, was sold last week to Mr. Sears of Lincoln. Seven dollars per acre was the price paid.

About three hundred letters is the average number sent from this postoffice daily.

Grain in Union county is doing remarkably well.

Jacksonville wants to celebrate the Fourth of July.

Sheep shearing in Union county has fairly commenced.

Speculators from Victoria are buying up sheep in Union county.

Baker and Canyon City are to have weekly connection by mail.

Cattle are dying rapidly in the vicinity of Burnt River, Eastern Oregon.

The farms around the residences of Baker City folks are being turned into orchards.

"Barney Flanders," the fast trotting horse of Jacksonville, was sold for \$1,000 last week.

F. L. Mace, who recently went to California to purchase some Angora goats returned to Jacksonville on the 8th inst. with one hundred.

On Thursday last Rev. Mr. Bell, of the Arkansas Conference, while cutting some fire-wood at Ashland, cut a severe gash in his foot nearly severing it.

Pat McGraw, a miner from Snake river, was brought into Union last week, one-half of his body being paralyzed. He will doubtless fall on the county for support.

"TRIED AND ACQUITTED."

[We publish the following card by request of Rev. I. D. Driver:]

Min. Editor.—Under the above heading false statements were made in the daily Statesman of the 7th inst. in reference to the preliminary examination of Rev. C. W. Shaw, which the Committee desire to correct. 1s. The statement that Rev. I. D. Driver, was the accuser is false; it was Rev. H. F. Williams.

2d. The action of the official members of the Albany church, and the presentation of charges, made it the official duty of Bro. Driver to act and preside on the occasion. And we believed that Bro. Shaw, had a fair and impartial trial.

3d. It is not true that Shaw was acquitted. The charge was for immoral conduct; and was sustained; three of the specifications were sustained, and he was required to make confession and restitution; and a failure in any or all would subject him to suspension.

The committee required that all the foregoing conditions be complied with "here and now," and if these conditions have not been complied with by the action of the committee Rev. C. W. Shaw, stands suspended.

JOHN W. YORK, Ch'm,
A. C. FAIRCHILD, Sec.
N. CLARK,
J. S. MCCLAIN.

Rev. P. M. Starr of the above committee could not be seen in time to sign the above.

SALEM MILLS—SEASON'S WORK.—We learn that the year work of the Salem Flouring Mills Company is considered as closed. Often this time there may be occasional runs of a few days at a time, but the year work is considered over. The figures of the work done since harvest, 8 months, are as follows: besides custom work 77,736 bbls. of flour have been ground and shipped direct from the mills, of which 51,270 bbls. were shipped from here by boat and the remaining 26,466 bbls. were sent by railroad. Also, there was shipped during the past season, by boat, 757 tons mill feed. The amount of wheat required to be ground into the flour sent abroad was 350,000 bushels. The company also purchased for foreign shipment 350,000 bushels of wheat that was not ground, 800 tons of which was raised in Walla Walla. The total amount of wheat handled by this enterprising company was not less than three quarters of a million bushels, and their business, including home work, did not fall far short of a million dollars.

JOURNAL OF COMMERCE.—The illustrated edition of the San Francisco Journal of Commerce, handed us by Mr. A. Myers, yesterday, is well worthy of reading and preserving for future reference. It is handsomely printed on tinted book paper, and presents as neat a specimen of the "art preservative" as can be found. The first page contains the likenesses of thirty-six of the leading business men of that city. A concise sketch of San Francisco past and present, with fine cuts of a number of the blocks and prominent buildings of the city fill up a large portion of the balance of the paper. In fact this extra edition gives an epitome of the business, past, present, and prospective of the great city of the Pacific coast.

FERRY BOAT ACCIDENT.—In ferrying a load of cattle across the Santiam at Jefferson yesterday the ferry boat filled with water, spilled the cattle out into the river, broke loose from its wire cable and took a short spin down the stream. The drovers, who were on the boat with their cattle, succeeded in getting on the wire cable and "cooned" it to the shore, while the ferryman stuck to his craft and in a short time had the boat safely moored to the bank below town. Damages were repaired, water bailed out, and the boat ready for duty in the evening.

ACCIDENT.—Mr. Sam Owen while engaged this afternoon on the new house of Mr. Joseph Barnard, on High street, fell from the scaffolding striking his left elbow on a pile of bricks and fracturing several of the bones and pulling that joint out of place. He was taken to Messrs. Woodworth & Hall's drug store, where he was properly attended to by Dr. Carpenter.

BENNETT HOUSE.—The Bennett house is being overhauled renovated repapered and generally fixed up. The rooms are light and airy, the house is in a good locality. The prices are low—meals and lodging only twenty five cents each and Mr. Buchanan the landlord understands the business.

The affairs of the Big El Dorado Ditch, Baker county, have been compromised, and the ditch placed in the hands of Messrs. Packwood & Carter to be opened.