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BE A MAN.

Cease your whining, cease your fretting, Cease your railing at your lot; There's no time for useless dreaming, These complaints can profit not; What if life is not all pleasure; Fretting won't relieve the pain; Noble souls have never retired— At misfortune to complain.

Courts.—Onward, upward, mounting higher, On each wave-top as it rolls; Fill your hearts with many fire— Labor is for noble souls.

Meet misfortune's drooping willows, As the sailor meets the storm; Just to ride upon the billows, Till they bear him to his home. Catch the breeze, or you'll sail not; Live for labor, not for sport; Quiet seas they may avoid not, Calm won't bring thee into port.

Courts.—Onward, upward, &c. If you would yourself be happy, You must happiness import; Bless your neighbors all around you, 'Till a storm to your heart. Let your sympathies flow on ward, With the sorrowful condole; Let your smiles be like the sunshine, Cheering every weary soul.

Courts.—Onward, upward, &c. Let your aim be high and holy, And your courage strong and true; Live his pleasure for the only, Live his something evil to do, Live his hands are always weary, His nature knows no joy; Loving souls are ever cheery, Young spirits never dry.

Courts.—Onward, upward, &c.

HOW THE AMENDMENT STANDS.

One of the strongest arguments of the Radicals in this State in favor of the ratification of the African Mongolian Suffrage Amendment is, that it is certain to be ratified finally, whether California ratifies it or not. And they persist in the declaration that a sufficient number of States have already ratified to secure the Amendment. To show how utterly fallacious this Radical reasoning is, we present the following correct list of States that have passed upon the Amendment one way or the other. It is made up by the St. Louis Republican. That paper, alluding to the president's misrepresentations of the Radicals on the subject says: "What object is to be gained by repeatedly asserting that Iowa, Tennessee, Minnesota, and other States which have taken no action, have fully accepted the Amendment, passes conjecture. The action taken thus far is as follows: Alabama, said to have ratified. Arkansas, ratified March 15th. Connecticut, ratified May 3th. Delaware, rejected. Florida, ratified in June. Georgia, rejected. Illinois, ratified March 5th. Indiana, assumed to ratify March 14. Kansas, assumed to ratify February 27th. The second section was in effect.

Louisiana, ratified March 1st. Maine, ratified March 9th. Massachusetts, ratified March 12th. Michigan, ratified March 5th. Missouri, assumed to ratify March 1. Did not act upon the second section. Nebraska, assumed to ratify. Certificate on file in the State Department is informal and inefficient. Nevada, ratified March 1st. New Hampshire, ratified July 1st. New York, ratified April 14th. North Carolina, ratified March 5th. Pennsylvania, ratified March 26th. Rhode Island, the Senate ratified May 27th. In the House the ratification resolution was on the day following had on the table by a fair majority. The amendment will probably be rejected, because the Rhode Island Radicals believe that under it they can no longer disfranchise their Irish Catholic laborers.

South Carolina, ratified March 10th. West Virginia, ratified March 3d. Wisconsin, ratified March 5th. Thus it is seen that but twenty three States have acted upon the Amendment at all. Of these twenty three, sixteen have legally ratified, according to the forms though contrary to the spirit of the law; two absolutely and finally rejected it; one (Rhode Island), ratified in one House, and deferred action in the other; while the remaining five assume to ratify by illegal, insufficient, or otherwise void or voidable action.—Stockton Gazette.

Acute and chronic rheumatism, as well as gout, generally affect the joints, but other more vulnerable parts are also subject to their attacks. They are generally caused by vitiated blood, which is produced by derangement of the digestive organs. The most effective remedy that can be used for curing these painful affections, is Dr. Walker's Vegetable Physic or Purgative. It is a remedy speedily and efficiently, which will eradicate the disease, and remove the cause.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

—Cuban advices are to the 9th inst. General Jordan had commenced active preparations for a campaign. Several points on the coast are in the possession of the Cubans, with power to hold them against any land force that can be brought against them. The Cuban leaders state that if belligerent rights are granted them by the United States the effect in Cuba will be such that in less than thirty days they will have possession of the entire island outside of Havana. They claim that the Cubans all sympathize with Céspedes' government and that the disaffection of the Spanish troops would leave the Spanish government without an army. It is reported that there are serious difficulties among the volunteers and that many in the interior are joining the Republicans. The Spanish troops are represented as so demoralized in condition as to be beyond the control of the officers. Everything is favorable to the Cuban cause.

—Judge Williams (Senator) loaned three thousand dollars to the purchase of the Unionist. We doubt if that will materially assist in "fixing" him.

—Ohio Democratic State Central Committee met on the 11th inst. and nominated George H. Pendleton for Governor. Pendleton accepted.

—It is stated that enough iron has been purchased by Mr. Holladay to complete the East Side Railroad to Salem. Work is now being vigorously prosecuted on the line, and those interested are sanguine of its completion to that city during the winter or by early spring.

—The election of a United States Senator is exciting general interest at Nashville, Tennessee. Ridge and Johnson are the most prominent prospective candidates, though Cooper has some supporters.

—At a recent printer's festival the following toast was given: "Women—she is always in favor of a well conducted press."

—A monster devil fish, captured near the mouth of the Mississippi river recently measured 12 feet in length, 14 feet in breadth, and weighs 1,500 pounds.

—But little wheat is offered in this market, farmers holding back for better prices. We learn that only 60c is offered in this city, while 65 and 67c are being paid at Albany.

—"We see," said Swift, in one of his most sarcastic moods, "what God thinks of riches by the people he gives them to."

—A lady in Rhode Island subscribed for a Newport paper the other day, to be sent to a neighbor who worried her by borrowing her own.

—Dates from Nashville, Tenn., August 11th, state Senator's majority is 62,000, with nineteen counties to hear from. The Senate, composed of 25 members, stands 21 Conservatives to 4 Conservative Republicans. The House stands 67 Conservatives to 6 Radicals and 6 Conservative Republicans, with two districts to hear from. In a recent speech Emerson Etheridge expressed his opposition to paying any portion of the twenty millions of debt contracted under Brown's Administration.

—A spasmodic temperance mania has occurred in Adrian, Michigan. Nineteen convictions, and all saloons and bars closed. A good thing—while it lasts.

—Somebody says that Mrs. Stanton is the salt, Anna Dickinson the pepper, and Mrs. Anthony the vinegar of the woman's rights movement.

—In one of his eccentric speeches Senator Sprague said that nothing in the world was more mean and cowardly than a million of dollars—except two millions.

—The Unionist says: Mr. Philip Earl, of Polk county, returned home on the last steamer, having been absent over a year in Canada East. He comes back better pleased than ever with Oregon. He says the climate of Oregon is far superior to Canada in point of health, and is much pleasanter to live in. Some heavy Canadian capitalists took of emigrating to Oregon, and were the resources of the State better known many would come here to live Oregon their homes. Mr. J. Converse and wife, formerly of Salem, also came with him.

—Patrick Henry left in his will the following important passage: "I have now disposed of my property to my family; there is one thing more I wish I could give them, and that is the Christian religion. If they had that, and I had not given them one shilling, they would be rich; and if they had not that, and I had given them all the world they would be poor."

—Emerson Etheridge, of Tennessee, announces himself as a candidate for the United States Senate.

—The towness of the river Nile has excited general attention. The water is lower than it has been within one hundred and fifty years.

—Henrietta Nichols, the oldest colored woman in Maryland, died on the 1st inst., aged 110 years.

—Mexico, according to the census just taken, has a population of 9,000,000 souls, against 8,282,688 in 1861.

—There are many hours in every man's life which are not spent in anything important; but it is necessary that they should not be passed idly.

—The liquor question is making the political question in old Massachusetts lively, dividing the Republican party and making Claffin's chance for re-election to the Governorship doubtful. Senator Wilson, being chief of the prohibitionists, will probably be defeated for the U. S. Senate in consequence of such position, while General Butler is going after the Senatorial honors, and expects to win.

—A young man named Hunter, formerly of Jacksonville, while driving sheep through Lost River Valley got a large green fly in his ear, which remained there for several hours, so that his ear became fly-blown. He traveled on foot to Fort Kanah, sixty miles for help; several large worms were extracted by the Surgeon, but not until they had eaten so that the medicine injected into his ear ran out of his nose and mouth. At last accounts he was doing well.

—The wounds of the conscience, like those of the body, cannot be well cured until they are searched to the bottom; and they cannot be searched without pain. A man who is engaged in the study of himself must be content to know the worst of himself.

—A Parisian paper recommends the following method for preservation of eggs: Dissolve four ounces of bees-wax in eight ounces of warm olive oil; in this put the tip of the finger and anoint the egg all around. The oil will be immediately absorbed by the shell and the pores filled up by the wax. If kept in a cool place the eggs, after two years, will be as good as if fresh laid.

—As soon as possible after the foot is wounded by a rusty nail put some hot ashes in a pail of water, and immerse the foot therein while it is as hot as can comfortably be, and keep it in a half hour. This remedy will draw out soreness and inflammation. It has been tested and found successful.

—A libel suit for \$20,000 against the Crisis a Democratic paper of Columbus, Ohio, has just resulted in the prosecutor's paying his own costs.

—We believe in a clean kitchen, a neat wife in it, a clean cupboard, a clean dairy and a clean conscience!

—A lay-delegate—the hen?

—President Grant neither verbally or by letter has requested Judge Dent to withdraw from the Mississippi canvass. In view of the complications Judge Dent will canvass Mississippi in the interest of the conservative Republican ticket. Meanwhile he continues a candidate before the convention.

—"I have never felt willing," said Dr. Dewey, in one of his lectures, "in performing the marriage ceremony, to use the word obey in reference to the wife—wedlock being a state of entire reciprocity."

—Full returns of the Congressional election in Alabama establish the fact that the Republicans have elected in the First, Second, Third and Fourth Districts, and the Democrats in the Fifth and Sixth. So the Democrats gain two Representatives in the 41st Congress. All the Republican vote of the State is little if any more than half that cast at the Presidential election.

—A petition of some Republicans in Mobile was sent on the 10th inst. to Gov. Smith asking him to place the city under martial law. Delegations of citizens from Mobile arrived on the 11th and had a satisfactory interview with the Governor, resulting in his declining to put the city under military authority.

—An enthusiastic meeting was held in St. Louis, in the City Council Hall, on the evening of the 10th, to consider the question of removing the National Capital to the Mississippi valley. Many speeches were made and resolutions were adopted in favor of calling a National Convention at St. Louis, on Oct. 6th, composed of two delegates from each Congressional District in the United States and the Territories, with three delegates at large from each State and Territory, to be appointed by the Governor. A committee was appointed to carry out the resolutions.

—Queen Victoria netted on her late book of travels \$12,000, all of which she has given to the poor. Had she been an unknown person and put out the same book, she would have netted \$0.

—Girls who are not handsome hate those who are—while those who are handsome hate one another. Which class has the best time of it?

—Boston is to have a colored baby show next month. The exhibition of white babies recently made, is declared to have been a complete success.

—A Jacksonville paper states that James Brown shot and mortally wounded John Adney on the 13th inst.

A VOLUME OF TRUTH.—The Democratic North-east, contains the following truthful paragraph: "The true philosophy of the campaign is summed up in this remark: We must select candidates acceptable to Democrats, and then get as many Republican votes as we can. If we do not please Democrats in the nominations, the cause is lost." The experience of the past few years fully verify the truth of the above. If the candidates are not men who can command the respect of the masses of the Democratic party, we may expect to meet with the same reverses in the future that we have in the past. Will not the last Presidential election and the Washington Territory election be a warning to us, or will we go on as heretofore, and place before the people men who can create no other feelings than those of contempt? If such is to be the case, then the cause for which we are fighting will be forever lost.

THE theological students of Xenia, Ohio, were recently treated to the following description of Hell by an orthodox professor: "We can conceive but little of this matter, but to help your conception, imagine yourself to be cast into a fiery oven, all of a glowing heat, or into a glowing brick kiln, or of a great furnace, where your pain would be much greater than that occasioned by actually touching a coal of fire as

the stars greater. Imagine also that you were to lie there for a quarter of an hour, full of fire, all full without and within as a light coal of fire, all the while full of quick sense—what horror would you feel at the entrance of such a furnace? * * * On, then, how would your heart sink if you knew you must bear it forever and ever? Again: The God who holds you over the pit of hell, much as one holds a spider or some loathsome insect over a fire, abhors you and is dreadfully provoked; his wrath towards you burns like fire, he looks upon you as worthy of nothing else but to be cast into fire!

THE following extract from a letter of Geo. Francis Train's to a citizen of Portland, contains too much good-sense to come from a "lunatic" or a "humbug." What Oregon wants is advertising. For instance you spend \$4,000 on the Fourth of July and nobody hears of the grand celebration out of the State. You should have paid \$2,000 for associated press dispatch and advertised it to the world. Then had short-hand reporters taking down oration and railroad speeches and sent off 1,000 papers far and wide. Already I have advertised Oregon more in thirty days than you have in twenty years, and the ball commences to roll. You have a great future—Eward is right. Before our national century we shall have three railroads joining the Atlantic and the Pacific, and the Oregon wilderness will soon bloom as the roses. So up with your woolen facories, paper mills, iron foundries; on with your railroads, East, West, North and South; make your connection with the Union Pacific from Umatilla to Indian creek, and as you are twenty-one years old discharge your wet nurse at San Francisco.

SERMON TO YOUNG MEN.—You are the architects of your own fortunes. Rely upon your own strength of body and soul. Take for your motto, self-reliance, honesty and industry; for your star, faith, perseverance and pluck, and inscribe on your banner, "Be just and fear not." Don't take too much advice; keep at the helm and steer your own ship. Strike out. Think well of yourself. Fire above the mark you intend to hit. Assume your position. Don't practice excessive humility; you can't get above level—water don't run up hill—put potatoes in a cart over a rough road and the small ones will go to the bottom. Energy, invincible determination, with a right motive, are the levers that rule the world. The great art of commanding is to take a fair share of the work. Civility costs nothing and buys everything. Don't drink; don't smoke; don't swear; don't gamble; don't steal; don't deceive; don't tattle. Be polite; be generous; be kind. Study hard; play hard. Be in earnest. Be self-reliant. Read good books. Love your fellow man as your God; love your country and obey the laws; love truth; love virtue. Always do what your conscience tells you to be a duty, and leave the consequences with God.

BILLINGS AND BEES.—The bumble bee is one of nature's secrets. They probably have a destiny few fill, and are probably necessary, if a fellow only knew how. They live apart from the rest of mankind in little circles, numbering about seventy-five or eighty souls. They are born about haying time, different from any bug I know of; they are the biggest who are just born. They resemble some men in this respect. Their principal business is making poor honey, but they don't make any new sel. Boys often rob them out of a whole summer's work, but there is one thing about the bumble bee that boys always watch very close, and that is their helm. I had rather not have all the bumble bee honey there is between here and the city of Jerusalem, than to have a bumble bee hit me with his helm when he comes round sudden. They are different from other war vessels; the helm always winds the bumble bee.