

A San Francisco religious exchange remarks upon the "tearful spread of infidelity" and the waning deference and respect with which preachers of the gospel are received and treated, but does not hint at the true cause of complaint. To our mind the case is a very clear one. "Preachers of the gospel" are different beings now from what they were years ago. They have come down from their sacred callings and soiled their vestments by dabbling in things worldly until the general opinion of mankind has about come to the conclusion that, whatever that pretension to the contrary, preachers of certain creeds are no better, if as good, as the majority of the rabble to whose prejudices and short comings they cater when occasion offers. The very idea of a preacher harranguing a mixed multitude on political topics, bandying Five Points epithets, such as "Copperheads," "black republicans," etc., etc., suggests to the minds of con-

siderate and thinking men that all is not gold that glitters, and that there must be something rotten somewhere. Yet the appalling spectacle of a preacher "bringing down the house" by the use of language only fit to be spoken by ruffians and bruisers of the laser sort, is often presented. His place is not in a political assembly; he cannot serve God and Mammon, and hence the people spit, so to speak, upon his pretensions.

BLASPHEM US.—Geo. L. Woods has issued his Proclamation for a day of thanksgiving and prayer. For rhetorical tom foolery and downright blasphemy (considering the source from which it emanated) this Proclamation stands without a parallel. Imagine, kind reader, the attitude your Governor must have assumed with his sullen countenance, looking imploringly in the direction of some object—he knowing not what—eyes inverted after the fashion of a motherless calf in the agonies of death—hands clasped and body reclining—when he ushered the following choice literature into the world:

The Lord is our benefactor; He gave us our liberties; He preserved us as a nation; He has given us peace.

God will have been merciful to the people of Oregon indeed, when, through his providence, they may never again be ruled by a super-sanctimonious clown.

We have received a nicely gotten up and ably edited new Democratic paper, called the *Monroe City Appeal*, and published at Monroe City, Monroe Co., Mo., M. C. Brown, esq., editor. We wish the *Appeal* a long and prosperous career, and shall place it on our list of exchanges with pleasure.

THAT'S THE STYLE.—One Harrington, a carpet-bagger in Alabama, recently inveigled seven negroes on board a small vessel and ran them over to Cuba where he sold them into slavery. This man Harrington is a leading member of the Capet-bag Legislature of Alabama.

THE NEWS.

COMPILED FROM DISPATCHES TO THE PORTLAND DAILIES.

Gen. McClellan has been elected President of the California University.

Horace Greeley urges the enfranchisement of all who are now disfranchised on account of rebellion, as well as color, and suggests an amendment to the Constitution of the United States securing these ends.

Umatilla county official gives Seymour 244 majority.

From late San Francisco exchanges we can only learn concerning the result of the late election in California that the official canvass by the Secretary of State can only determine the contest between Seymour and Grant. The *Examiner* still entertains hopes that the State is all right.

It is an established fact that a large per cent. of insanity comes of excitement superinduced by the various religiousisms.

OREGON NEWS.

From the *Oregonian* that proceedings were commenced in the U. S. Circuit Court, by H. C. Coulson and wife for the issue of an injunction to restrain the city of Portland from levying taxes upon the property of plaintiffs, for the payment of interest on the bonds of the Oregon Central Railroad Company—West Side. The application was ordered to be continued till next Saturday and a rule was entered citing the city authorities to appear and show cause why the injunction should not be granted.

From the *Unionist* that on Friday night, the room in the rear of the Magnolia Saloon, was entered, by raising a window, and a pair of fine pantaloons, a pair of No. 1 white blankets and five bottles of wine, abstracted. The thieves evidently were in search of both food and raiment.

From the *Sentinel* that all the machinery at Ashland Woolen Mill is running. It is engaged on flannel at present.

From the *Reveille* that the general health of the valley is not so good, as during the summer. Among children, croup and diphtheria prevail to a considerable extent.

House breaking seems to be the occupation of some person about Salem. The *Unionist* speaks of numerous petty attempts to steal something by entering private dwellings in the night time.

From an advertisement in the *Unionist* we learn that Messrs G. H. & Yeaton, Book and stationery dealers, State st., Salem, are agents for the sale of paper manufactured by the Clackamas mills, Oregon. They sell at the same price at which the same article is afforded at the mills or at the general depot in Portland. Quite a saving in freight is thus secured to parties in this part of the State and above Salem who purchase such goods. We presume printing, wrapping and other paper will be kept by the Messrs. G. & Y.

Up to the time we go to press no clue has been obtained as to the perpetrators of the theft from Crider's boot and shoe establishment.

A package directed to "Adel, Dallas county," with no State mentioned, arrived safely at the post office in Dallas a short time since. Our Postmaster added "Iowa" to the incomplete superscription and returned the wayfaring package with his "blessing."

From the *Grand Route Sentinel* that there is a rumor around town that Mr. Bruster of Oro Dell, while on his way from Idaho a few days ago, and when near the place where Mr. Eaton was robbed last spring, was suddenly called upon to halt, by three persons who sprang from the shrubbery near the road, armed and masked, and was robbed of near five thousand dollars. He describes the men as being two large and one small man, who are no doubt the remnant of the band now on trial in Portland for the stage robbery near the Pelican ranch last summer.

From the *Oregonian* that a man just down from the upper country brings a report that W. C. Hull and son, formerly of this city, were met by road agents two or three days ago, on the road above La Grande, and robbed of over five thousand dollars. We have no particulars.

The *Blue Mountain Times*, the radical paper formerly published at La Grande, is dead.

Union county gave an increased majority over the last June's vote.

Mrs. "Major" Pauline Cushman, the carpet-bagger, who was petted and fettered, and lionized by the lollists during a portion of the rebellion, and when thieves, strumpets and vagabonds were in demand, for serving them acceptably in more ways than one, has come to grief. The telegraph informs her "pal," lately, and was sent up. She will probably go to Sing Sing to keep company with that other celebrated lollist, Sanford Conover. Justice will never be avenged until Holt, who employed Conover, and Stanton, who used him, are consigned to the Penitentiary for at least twenty years each.

The real name of "Pauline," the she "Major," is Harriet Ward.

Will Justice be Done?

Oregon has a clear and safe Democratic majority of upward of a thousand to day. By reason of the indifference of the Democracy on this side of the Mountains, the late election came nigh going for the enemies of good government. There is no county in the valley in which anything approximating the full Democratic strength was got out. Between a fancied objectionableness of the ticket and an overbearing assurance that all was right in this State anyhow, the election, so far as this side of the mountains is concerned, might be said to have been suffered to go by default. Had anything like the apathy and indifference prevailed in the counties east of the Mountains as here the State had been lost and a party, inimical to the best interests of the State and the whole country, and numerically the weaker by 25 per cent., would have rode in triumph over us. That such a turn of affairs would have been a calamity the most uncontroverted of the apathetic will readily admit; and that to recover lost ground would have been no very easy matter. But, like true patriots, and undismayed at the supposed unavailability of our candidates for President and Vice President, the sterling and unconquerable Democracy of the eastern counties reached out its hands and saved us. But for the vigilance and invincibility of the Democracy of these counties the glorious triumph of last June would have dissolved in our very grasp. In view of these facts the Democracy of the west side should feel under peculiar obligations to the sturdy patriots on the east side of the Mountains through whose energy and fidelity what we lost on this side as the price of our lethargy and non action was saved by them, and the mad surges of our enemies checked and them put to rout.

It is, comparatively speaking, but a few months ere the fight in this State is to be renewed. A Governor, Secy. of State, State Treasurer, Member of Congress and State Printer are to be nominated and elected by the Democracy. No republican this day is silly enough to question our ability to elect our entire ticket. The counties of Wasco, Umatilla, Union, Baker and Grant contain men—Democrats—whose talents, culture and ability would stand out in bold relief in any State or country. These men must be remembered. Out of the multitude of officers to be elected in this State the eastern counties have more than earned a full proportion.

DALLAS AND DALLES.—In consequence of the similarity of the names of the postoffices, Dallas, and Dalles, and the blundering manner in which some people superscribe letters and other mailable packages, much confusion occurs. Letters intended for this place go to the Dalles, and vice versa.

It not unfrequently happens that letters intended for this place are addressed, Dalles, Oregon, through sheer ignorance of the orthography of the name of the postoffice. In such cases the letters go to the Dalles, and not unfrequently to the Dead letter office from there. Should such letters contain valuables, they are returned to the Dalles, and of course are never called for there, and so must be returned to Washington as per instructions of the P. M. General. A remedy should be applied.

NOT GENERALLY UNDERSTOOD.—The marked success that almost universally attends merchants of the Jewish faith is an incomprehensible enigma to the great bulk of mankind, yet there is nothing strange about it. These people generally have a good business education. They are taught in their colleges the importance of a *vertising*, and they generally heed the lesson. Withdraw the Jewish patronage from the press of the United States and one-fourth of the newspapers now prospering would go down. We know the Jews advertise liberally and everybody knows they make money.

The nephew of Thaddeus Stevens, who was to have \$100,000 from the great Commoner's wealth, if he abstained ten years from liquor, or would be obliged to surrender it to the orphans of the soldiers if he indulged, says he will not rob the poor orphans.

Mr. J. H. Lewis has more of that fine and cheap queensware. Call and get your supply.

Railroads, and Land Grant Grabbers.

Since the day when Queen Catherine projected highways, planned cities, and built both by proclamations alone, there has been no more Quixotic scheme than the one contemplated in the following advertisement, which we clip from the morning papers of this city:

Notice.—The undersigned have this day formed a co-partnership for the construction of railroads in the State of Oregon and adjoining States and Territories, under the name and style of Ben. Holladay & Co.

Whether the object be that of Queen Catherine, to perpetuate their names, and gratify a desire to behold the unconditional homage of an unsophisticated populace, or to ascertain the extent to which the people of the Pacific coast can be gulled, or to establish a mammoth corporation which will stand as a perpetual engine of destruction to the free and independent will of the people—controlling them politically, socially, and financially, time alone will will prove; but sufficient has already been developed to justify most any charge of corruption and outrage upon the people, limited only by the capacity of that great gambler in stocks, cards, steamboats, and the resources of the country. It is what that Company would do if they could, of which we shall speak.

The action of the last Legislature in donating to Ben. Holladay & Co. a tract of land which the State does not, and, mark us, never will, have the disposition of, (having two years ago performed that act,) may be, and we think is, subject to censure, on account of the evil which it has entailed; but with the motives of the members, we have nothing to do, feeling that they were honorable, and that their action was prompted by a desire to subserve the interests of the State.

It is not strange that members were for weeks undecided, or that their final action was one which is already beginning to appear to be directly antagonistic to the interests of the State of Oregon.

It is a fact that the prosperity of Central, Eastern and Southern Oregon has been bartered away to an unscrupulous and mercenary Company, which has already commenced to turn upon its benefactor—to smite the hand which was extended to it in kindness—and to rob us of the commercial advantages which our position marked out for us. We repeat that every section of the State has been in turn duped and deceived by the real railroad company known as the East Side, and the nominal directors thereof, if anything, equally deceived and wronged.

It will be remembered, when joint memorial, No. 1 (Chapman's) was before the House, Kirk of Umatilla county, in eastern Oregon, offered an amendment in effect to ask aid from the General Government to construct the Salt Lake branch in a direct line to Puget Sound, via the Snoqualmie Pass, and that amendment was bitterly attacked by members from all portions of the State—by Gazely of Douglas, White of Jackson, Chapman of Multnomah, and many others—and on a final vote was rejected: Nays, 45; Yeas, 1.

The reasons offered by each member were the same: They objected in the strongest terms to any action on the part of the Legislature looking to the recognition of the commercial predominance of Puget Sound, in Washington Territory, over the ports within the territorial limits of our own State. It was an unsafe proposition for the rival railroad companies to entertain; and when the Holladay Company, to secure the votes of certain members, promised to throw their influence in favor of the direct route, they made that promise in secret, and in secret it was and still is kept. *Tu titi las me* was all right, but the *et ego titillabo te* was never heard from. Eastern Oregon was doubly sold. First, the Queen Catherine Company for the universal construction of railroads, never favored the branch from Eastern Oregon direct to the Sound, because it would build up a foreign port, to the injury of our own ports; and secondly, we now behold them running DIRECTLY FOR THE SOUND, and DIRECTLY AWAY FROM PORTLAND!—Commercial

WISACRES.—A great many very ignorant and stupid lollists claim that the republicans in the House resigned because the Democrats were going to impeach the Governor. Now, had the aforesaid lollists known that it required a two third vote to impeach, and that it required two-thirds of all the members elected to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and that the Democrats never had a two-thirds majority and could not possibly have impeached the Governor, why, they might have saved themselves the humiliation of having made asses of themselves by making the absurd plea.

WHAT does everybody think of the SIGNAL's new dress? We fancy we hear you all say "bully."

The mock emotional slang whanger, Gov. Woods, had probably forgotten, for the time, the part he played in dissolving the late Legislature when he penned his thanksgiving proclamation.

Goldsmith must have been thinking of Grecian bendwhen he wrote: "When lovely women stoop to folly."

Blank Mortgages at the SIGNAL Office.

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WARE HOUSE

Completed and are prepared to store an indefinite quantity of Wheat, Oats, Barley, etc., etc., and are paying the highest

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13 Choice Varieties Now Ready!

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PLANTS generally selected and sent by Mail at all times, October and November is best time to plant.

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Paints,

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COLORS OF ALL KINDS.

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THESE WORKS ARE LOCATED ON the bank of the river, one block north of Couch's Wharf, and have facilities for turning out machinery promptly and efficiently.

We have secured the services of Mr. John Nation, as Director of the Works, whose experience on this Coast for fifteen years gives him a thorough knowledge of the various kinds of machinery required for mining and milling purposes.

We are prepared to execute orders for all classes of Machinery and Boiler Works, such

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MACHINERY,

FLOURING MILLS, SAW MILLS,

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Manufacture and repair machinery of all kinds.

Iron Shutter Work at San Francisco Cost and Freight.

Wheeler & Randall's Patent Grinder and Amalgamator.

Dunbar's Self-adjusting Patent Piston Packing

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Either applied to old or new steam cylinders.

Quartz Stampers, Shoes and Dies, Of best hard iron.

From the New York Independent, Nov. 7th, 1867.

Read, think, and decide! The simple therapeutics of the Patriarchal era, when herbs "for healing the nations" were the only medicine in use, find little favor with the medical profession of the day. Yet at the early period of the world's history the ordinary term of human life was at least eight times longer than it is now. It is therefore manifest that the stamina of man has seriously declined in the lapse of ages.

It is a scientific fact that, during this process of human degeneration and decay an immense number of powerful poisons have been introduced into the medical repertoire, while the mild vegetable system of treatment exclusively practiced when the world was young, has been in a great measure abandoned by the medical profession. This is a singular coincidence, and it suggests the possibility of a direct connection between the physical deterioration of the species, and the wholesale administration of deadly mineral and other drugs. It may well be doubted whether the mineral salts and oxids, and the no less dangerous alkaloids, which chemistry has added to the pharmacopoeia, have not destroyed more lives than all the diseases they have been prescribed to cure. One thing, at least, is certain—viz: that the average term of human existence has been shortened since the days when the vegetable kingdom was the only medical dispensary known to mankind.

The truth is—and sensible people are becoming more alive to it every day—that the world is overdoctored. The principles of medication are simple; but they have been so fogged by technicalities, so mystified by profusional verbiage, that one half the community fancy they can neither be interpreted nor applied except by persons who have been taught to clothe the living truths of science in dead languages. It is not to the interest of "the Faculty" that the theory and practice of medicine should be simplified and popularized, and therefore the public conceive but little light from that quarter.

To prevent crime is one of the great ends of civil law, and to prevent disease should be one of the grand objects of medical science. It is better to protect than to cure, and much easier. Vital power is the natural antagonist of all the influences that militate against health—whether they exist in the air we breathe, in the water we drink, or the objects with which we come in contact, or in ourselves. Without a sufficiency of this resistant principle, there can be no reasonable hope of escaping prevailing epidemics, or of enjoying even under the most favorable external circumstances, an immunity from sickness and pain. This fact being established, the next question is, how shall a deficiency in physical and constitutional vigor be supplied? Instructed by the experience of twenty years, and sustained by the testimony of thousands of individuals of both sexes; hailing from all parts of the world, we reply that Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is the only medicine that can be fully relied on as a protective and preventative tonic and alternative in all climates and under all contingencies. With a system strengthened and fortified by the use of this invigorant, no one who possesses common prudence need fear the effects of malaria. It is the best safeguard against infection at present known. It produces appetite; it promotes digestion; it prevents constipation; it regulates the flow of bile; it strengthens the nerves; it purifies the animal fluids; it clears the brain; and, the vehicle of its medical properties being a pure diffusible stimulant, their influence is extended to every portion of the system. Merely alcoholic stimulants, though administered largely in medical practice, are not in themselves medicines; but they pervade the whole organization more certainly and swiftly than anything else that can be given. They are quickly taken up by the absorbents, and there is not a fiber of the body between the crown of the head and the sole of the foot which is exempted from their influence. Hence a spirituous stimulant is the best medium for conveying to all the organs and members of a feeble or disordered system the means whereby that system is to be recruited and regulated. It is for this purpose that the alcoholic elements is used in the preparation of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. It is simply the instrument by which the medical virtues of the preparation are carried to their objective points and rendered active.

It is almost necessary to call the attention of dyspeptics to a medicine which is everywhere recognized as the standard specific for indigestion. In every town in the United States which contains a drug store, or a store in which drugs are sold, it is known as a remedy for stomach complaints of every class, from simple flatulency up to the most obstinate chronic torpidity of that most important organ. Its anti-bilious properties are also universally understood and appreciated; and in the West and South-west the old "Ague cures" have been generally abandoned, and this real chology—which actually breaks up intermittent fever within a week after the first dose is taken—adopted in their stead. In the intermittent fevers so common in malarious districts during the fall of the year it is proved equally efficacious, and it may be truly said that it combines in an equal degree the qualities of a restorative and a preventative.

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