

WHAT'S THE REMEDY.

The Pacific Christian Advocate has a lengthy and able article headed, "Obscene Literature," in which the editor shows up a portion of the great effort that is being made in this country to demoralize society and corrupt the morals of the people by spreading broadcast among the youth of the land and age, obscene literature of every conceivable character.

We agree with the Advocate, that no people of which we have any record reliable, since the creation of man, ever degenerated so fast, or allowed the wheels of destruction to roll on with such rapidity without check, in consequence of these two great, apparent, and acknowledged evils, twin agents in crime, obscene literature and intemperance, as the American people.

That's just the point.—The Chicago Tribune in speaking of the fight now going on in that State between the people, the courts and monopoly, among other things makes the following remarks:

It will make very little difference to investors of capital whether the question of long and short noses, or any other extraneous issue, entered into the contest, or whether they had much or little influence. What they want to know is just this: whether the law is to be interpreted hereafter by independent Judges, after weighing the facts and hearing the arguments, or whether judicial decisions are to be rendered at the ballot box regardless of law, facts, arguments, or official oaths.

That's just the point precisely. In all popular governments the final arbitrament lies with the people, and it they shall by their representatives make a law for the accomplishment of a certain end, and the courts construe the law so as to destroy its effect, or in other words, declare it unconstitutional, when the majority of the people declare that it is not but ought to be enforced, then it is the prerogative of the people holding as they do, the sovereign power to withdraw their disobedient servants from the bench and place others there who will carry out their will.

At last.—The great farce is over, and Woodhull and Claflin are discharged from further custody, and Beecher brought to be serving a regular term in the penitentiary for his contemptible hypocrisy. Long may Victoria Woodhull live, to expose and drag to the light of day, the rotten planks of the present organized society, and hold up to the gaze of the civilized world the pollution of some of our religious pretenders.

AND STILL THEY COME.—The Supreme Court of Minnesota has decided correctly and justly that, railroads within their State are nothing more nor less than public highways and subject absolutely to the control of the State Legislature like all other public thoroughfares.

JUDGE CRAIG'S PLATFORM.

The platform on which Craig beat Lawrence in Illinois, for one of the Supreme Judges, and about which some of the leading journals of that State have been making so much noise, is as follows:

Resolved, That the provisions of the Constitution of 1870 of the State of Illinois in regard to railroads are equally with other provisions of the Constitution the supreme law of the State, and our Legislature should provide the necessary legislation to enforce such provisions, and our courts should sustain and adopt the same.

Resolved, That the charters of the Railroads of this State are not contracts in the sense that they are paramount to the Constitution and laws of the State, and that the provision of the Constitution of this State in regard to railroads and the necessary legislation to enforce the laws are not repugnant to the Constitution of the United States.

Resolved, That the railroads of this State are public highways and their operators common carriers, and the General Assembly, as required by the Constitution of the State, should pass laws, and such legislation should be sustained and enforced by the judiciary of this State.

Resolved, That we will support no man for Judge of the Supreme Court who is not in accord with the sentiments of these resolutions; that we recommend that all the anti-monopolists of this State to nominate such candidate for Judges as are pledged to sustain the Constitution and laws of this State in accordance therewith, and we will support no other.

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WHERE ARE HIS DEFENDERS NOW?

—Since the accumulation of testimony showing the former character of Mitchell, our late Senator, to be bad beyond all reasonable doubt, the pen of the Bulletin and Statesman who undertook to defend him seem to be paralyzed, and their tongues are silent as the grave. This is a question of interest to the people of Oregon, and they desire to know whether or not, they still stand as the defenders of this deceiver. You have denied connection with corrupt men and rings, heretofore charged upon you, and you have pretended to denounce the wrong and advocate and defend the right; now is your time and it is your duty to demonstrate the reality of those pretensions, speak out and let the people know how and where you are, do you endorse and apologize for him; or do you denounce him as a corrupt deceiver unworthy of the position he now occupies; there is no halfway ground, the people desire to, and will know where you stand, and no sugar-coated excuses nor even studied taciturnity, shall shield you from this responsibility.

STILL THE TESTIMONY ACCUMULATES.—We have endeavored for a long time to convince our readers that it was unnecessary to look for, or expect streams from corrupt fountains. Now upon the heels of the Mitchell scandal comes the Spirit of the Times, San Francisco, and discloses the fact that the Governor of California is a very corrupt man. If the editor of that paper will make the proper examination he will find, so far as the leaders are concerned, that the whole crew of Grantites are just that kind of men; and if the editor is an honest man as he intimates, and this serves as an eye opener, we advise him to look about and see the true condition of this corrupt party of misgovernment, and get out upon terra firma before the old rotten hull goes down under the weight of its own corruption.

SWINGING AROUND THE CIRCLE.—The Blair Times, Nebraska, says: "President Grant was in Omaha yesterday. A public reception was tendered to, and accepted by him."

That was the finest opportunity you will ever enjoy to witness what a consummate ass he could make of himself in fifteen minutes, if you had called him out to make a speech.

Extensive forest fires are reported all over the country, and in Michigan, especially, a repetition of 1871 has been feared. On the 20th fires were raging all about Lansing, and along all the railroads in the upper portion of the Lower Peninsula. On the Upper Peninsula (Lake Superior) the woods were, June 19, all on fire between Big Cedar and Escanaba, cutting off railroad and telegraphic communication. Michiganami, a mining settlement of 800 inhabitants on the shore of Lake Superior, took fire Thursday from the burning woods which surrounded it and was destroyed. The people to save their lives sought refuge in the lake, but upwards of forty perished by the flames, and many were drowned. Among other buildings burned was the mill of Jacob Houghton, just equipped at an expense of \$40,000. The village about the Spurr Mine shared the same fate. The fires, at last accounts, had been extinguished by showers. Supplies of all kinds had been sent from Marquette and the towns surrounding, for the use of the sufferers.

The Ohio Constitutional Convention has adopted a section which leaves open to women offices that are appointive. This action does not meet the approval of the Cincinnati Gazette and it gives strong reasons why it should not be adopted. The Gazette says: "This is meant for a sop to appease the noble rage of the female mind; but it is an insult to woman, and it places the convention in ridiculous inconsistency. It allows that officers who have appointing power may appoint women, while the people are not allowed to elect women. And although the intent is only to open the subordinate offices to woman, it in fact allows her to be placed in any vacancy which the Governor fills by appointment, even to the judgeships and to the Supreme bench.—Journal.

More Careful Work.

The characteristic element of modern science is the quantitative element. We want careful work everywhere; we want analysis; we want measurement; we want exact comparison; we want the universal recognition of the absolute value of the truth, and the relative worthlessness of anything short of it. We want the courage and devotion that preserves in the dark, having an abiding faith that afterwards there shall be light. You remember how corals grow. The reef is not a building constructed by them; it is their own life that crystallizes within them, and it is left behind them as they climb upward toward the light. And as they climb, the sea bottom sinks beneath them, and the surface, only a short distance below which they can live, seems doubtless unattainable to their patient labor. Yet by-and-by it is gained, though the coral-makers die in reaching it, and over the records of their endless toil appear at length the verdant fields and fruitful palms of islands that lie like gems upon the bosom of the sea.

So must we labor, climbing ever through the dim sea toward the blue sky and the perfect day, leaving our lives behind us as we climb. The great ocean of human thought grows deeper underneath as we ascend; we get further from the bottom, yet not nearer to the top. When we reach the unclouded sunlight, it will be to die. Yet in some brighter hour of the ages to come, generations of men illuminated with knowledge and clad in peaceful strength, shall look curiously and reverently upon the foundation of their prosperity, examining the progress of our labors as we study the lives and labors of the coral-makers, and shall say, "Without the patience and devotion of these workers, our fair, new world would not have come to be!"—Journal of Education.

JUST SO.—An eastern exchange remarks, that the Beecher-Bowen Union scandal, will not be investigated by Plymouth Church. Just so, but why? simply because Mrs. Woodhull has told the truth, and the thing won't bear investigation; that's what's the matter.

Young Walworth, the murderer of his father, was sentenced on Saturday. Found guilty of the crime in the second degree he received the full penalty—imprisonment for life.—Bulletin.

The city of Burlington Iowa, was the scene yesterday of a great conflagration. Four squares were burned over, in which were situated the court house, the opera house and other large buildings. The loss is about \$100,000.—Journal.

STATE ITEMS.

The death of Sprague Holman, a young man, 22 years of age, and son of one of our best known citizens, by falling into a water closet, near the Central Market Wednesday evening, has thrown a deep gloom over his family. He had been absent from home for two days, and no trace of him could be found, but being last seen in the vicinity where he was found, an examination was there made with the result stated. An examination by the Coroner revealed these facts, and a verdict was rendered accordingly.

A man named Daniel Duncan was struck by one Spencer Hill, last Saturday, with a matured piece of wood of large specific gravity, and the consequence was the separation of that osseous piece of anatomy called the jaw bone, and the arrest of the assault, but on giving bonds he was discharged until next Wednesday. A piece of the jaw bone has been extracted from the cheek of Duncan and it is feared more may come and so injure his facial outline.—Bulletin.

A new paper has been started at Pendleton.

Four thousand nine hundred dollars were subscribed to capital stock of the Astoria Farmers warehouse Company at a meeting held on last Thursday.

A farmer in Umatilla county sheared 4,100 sheep which averaged eight pounds to the fleece.

An Indiana Judge has decided that if a man only gets drunk every other week he is not an habitual drunkard.

The old fashioned and gentlemanly accomplishment of fencing is reviving to some extent.

TELEGRAPHIC.

St. Louis, July 5.—A special from Hannibal, Mo., says the severest storm that ever visited that section broke over Hannibal last night. Two or three houses were blown down, several unroofed and much damage done to fences, etc. The storm was also very severe at St. Joseph, Mo. Great damage was done.

Wollero, N. Y., July 5.—Lightning yesterday struck the house of Mrs. Drew, in Tuffinboro, instantly killing her.

Cincinnati, July 5.—Nine deaths from cholera were reported at the Health Office to-day.

New York, July 5.—Jefferson Davis is still at the New York Hotel.

Peter B. Sweeney was among the passengers for Europe to-day.

Imports this week amounted to \$1,112,000.

The specie shipment this week amounted to \$401,515.

The statement of the Associated Banks was very favorable, showing a gain of \$2,855,550 in reserve.

Washington July 5.—It is said the Mexican Border Commission have discovered evidence conclusively showing that the Mexican guerrilla, General Cortina, is in command of an organized fighting Mexican banditti on the Lower Rio Grande, and at the same time he is a General in the regular Mexican army, awaiting orders and drawing half pay. General Cortina, it is reported, has been seen superintending in person the Mexican soldiers.

Washington, July 5.—Internal revenue receipts to-day were \$820,808; for the month, \$1,841,266.

Buffalo, N. Y., July 6.—Three distinct shocks of earthquake were felt this morning. One quite strong at about 5 o'clock, another at 7, and the third at 9:30, causing considerable alarm by the rocking of buildings and the shipping in the harbor.

Buffalo, N. Y., July 7.—Another shock of earthquake occurred at 6 o'clock this morning. The only damage done yesterday was the throwing down of a chimney in the center of the city.

New York July 7.—Carl Koshner, a German traveling agent, was found in the Hudson River to-day. He had evidently been murdered and robbed. He was going to California on business. He had recently arrived from Europe.

Washington July 7.—Dispatches from Stanley's Yellowstone Expedition, bearing the Northern Pacific Railroad line, announce that the Indians are making no serious trouble. Abundance of coal, of good quality, was found 27 miles west of the Missouri River, and the lands as far as gone are good, and are well grassed and watered.

New York, July 7.—A dispatch from Winchester, Va., states that while a family named Little were at breakfast on Saturday a feud broke out, when two sons, Oscar and Leurgus, commenced firing at the four other sons and their mother, the firing being returned by the other sons. Oscar was wounded, captured and sent to jail. Another son named Clinton was wounded; also the mother. Clinton died Saturday evening. The mother will die.

New York, July 7.—The remarkable time made in Sacramento on Saturday is the subject of much comment among sporting men now in the city in attendance at Dexter Park.

Chippewa Ont., July 5.—Two of the parties who went over Niagra Falls were John Elliott and Margaret Rollins, both of Cincinnati. The former was about twenty and the latter eighteen years of age.

Halifax, July 5.—The bark Concordia, from Quebec for Plymouth, England, went ashore at Cape Anguilla on June 18th, and the Captain, First Mate, and three of the crew were drowned. The second Mate succeeded in floating ashore with a line which was made fast by some fishermen and himself, and the remainder of the crew—eleven in all—were saved. The bodies of those drowned were recovered the next day.

Havana, July 4.—Planters have agreed to pay a tax of \$2 for each slave instead of sending them to work on the highway. Owners of runaway Chinamen now in Government depots have offered them for work on the highway and the Captain General will accept them.

At the Dry Tortugas the sun heats iron hot enough to broil beef on, and no one thinks of sitting out between ten and four o'clock.

A Cincinnati man is said to be training himself for his approaching marriage by passing several hours in a boiler shop.

Pierce County, W. T., has 1,399 inhabitants.

A new paper called the Mait will soon be issued at Bellingham Bay.

A Detroit boy, 11 years old, stabbed a young gentleman of the same reverend age, who was his rival in a love affair.

New York, July 6.—Walworth, while on his way to the Tombs, yesterday, after his sentence, remarked: "I am glad I did not have to endure a long lecture, which I had anticipated Judge Davis would inflict upon me. I thoroughly understand my position and did not desire any instructions in relation thereto. I simply wish time to arrange my affairs, and I shall then submit myself to my fate with all the equanimity I can command." Upon being taken to his cell he parted carefully with the Deputy Sheriff, saying that his was a case which he thoroughly understood, but did not blame the world for the understanding.

Chicago, July 8.—A hurricane passed over Ojai, Illinois, last night, unroofing many houses. The Methodist Church was wrecked. The Methodist Church and engine house at Salem were wrecked. Orchards, miles of fences and thousands of acres of corn were blown down. At Harrisburg, Ill., the storm blew down the International Circus tent while it was full of people. The lamps fired the canvas but were soon extinguished.

GENERAL NEWS.

The Dublin Gazette has been published daily since 1711.

Over 11,000 accidental deaths occur yearly in this country.

A Norfolk woman quiets her male by giving him a chew of tobacco.

Very brilliant jewelry is made of the heads of Brazilian humming birds set in gold.

The Louisville Courier-Journal calls for a society to prevent the murder of parents.

On Monday track laying commenced at Tenino, and will be pushed ahead.

Some of the rural journals are congratulating themselves that Captain Jack's case cannot come up before the York Court of Appeals.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT application has been made to the County Court for an order, to sell the following described real property belonging to the estate of A. C. Daniel deceased situated in the County of Polk and State of Oregon to wit: Beginning at the S E Corner of the Land Claim of Jesse Harriett; thence West on the S line of said claim 27 95 chains thence N 45 Ebs thence W 7 65 Ebs to the center of the county road from Salem ferry to Spring Valley thence N 16 35 W along the center of said road 15 55 Ebs thence East 40 50 Ebs to the bank of the Williamson river thence along the bank of said river to the place of beginning containing 65 46 acres more or less by of the Court the 5th day of August A D 1873 at 1 o'clock P M of said day. It is set for hearing said petition all persons having an interest in said matter are hereby notified to appear at said time and show cause if any why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. Done by order of the County Court, O. F. Daniels, Administrator.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Polk upon a judgment obtained at the May term thereof 1873 in favor of Martin & Co against Huggins & Merwin for the sum of \$66 47 judgment and \$24 40 costs. And to me directed I have levied upon a d of will proceed to sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand in front of the Court House door in Dallas Polk county, Oregon, between the hours of 9 o'clock A. M. and four o'clock P M of Saturday the 8th

9 DAY OF AUGUST 1873.

All the right title and interest of the said Hedges & Merwin in and to the following described real property to wit: (28) twenty eight feet of lot No 1 in block No 3 commencing at N E corner of said lot running thence West (146) feet thence South (28) feet thence East (146) feet thence North (28) feet to the place of beginning, as described on the plat of the Town of New Independence, all in Polk county, State of Oregon, together with all the appurtenances and tenements thereto belonging: To satisfy the said sum of \$66 47 judgment with interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum from date of judgment, and the further sum of \$24 40 costs and the cost of and upon this writ \$100. Dated this 3d day of July 1873. S. T. Brasen, Sheriff of Polk county, Oregon.

FARMERS READ.

WANTED, ALL THE GOLD, SILVER and Greenbacks in Polk County, to which I will pay the highest market price if goods, at my store at lower rates than can be obtained at any place South of the city of Portland, in the State.

AT THE

EGOLA STORE.

HAVING PURCHASED A LARGE AND complete stock of NEW GOODS, and receiving fresh supplies every week I can supply everybody with

Dry Goods,

Groceries

Glass, Queensware,

Tobacco, Cigars

And all articles found in a GENERAL VARIETY STORE, I would respectfully call the attention of the Public to my Establishment, highest Cash price paid for

FURS AND PELTRY.

R. A. RAY,

Eola, Polk Co., Ogn. / 16-11