

TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

No, Tennyson did not compose lawn tennis.

There are several megalomaniacs in this segment of the earth's circumference.

"Let's go and feed the snakes," is the latest form of an invitation to take a drink.

ANARCHIST SPIES regards every man who has saved enough property to keep him out of the poorhouse as a foe to society.

Is the Chicago anarchists are not convicted the hotels in that city will have to advertise bomb-proof bedrooms, to hold their trade.

EUROPE pays eight hundred millions a year to maintain standing armies. But that is nothing to what it costs when it doesn't stand.

GENERAL TRUMP. SHERMAN is now in Portland, on his way home from the grand encampment of the G. A. R. at San Francisco.

KEELEY, the motor man, used to be a restaurant waiter. That is why the motor stockholders have to wait so long for dividends and tip Keeley so often.

It is no subject for a joke, but the board of aldermen of New York is responsible. It sent to the funeral of Hubert O. Thompson a floral design, "In Memoriam H. O. T."

All western Oregon mail still sleeps twenty-four hours in Portland. Will nothing be done? It is easily remedied, and only negligence prevents it from being remedied.

It is reported from New York now that the hop market is not lively. The price now on the Sound is 3 1/2 cents, though it is thought a higher price has been paid in several cases.

IRELAND wants to fight, not the Ireland of the Irish, but Governor Ireland of Texas, and he wants to whip Mexico, if the Mexicans keep on perpetrating their outrages on American citizens.

THE NEW YORK Sun heads an article on the signing of the river and harbor bill "The Job which Mr. Cleveland Signed." The Sun is unreasonable and unfair, selfish and jealously vindictive.

A POST-HOLE digger near Uniontown, Pa., found a silver watch where one of Braddock's men dropped it while running away, 150 years ago. The man has stopped running now; so had the watch.

A "MEGALOMANIAC" has developed in these parts, in the person of Graham Glass (Junior), "editor" of the Dallas Itemizer. A "megalomaniac" is a fellow who thinks he is great. A "megalomaniac" is a harmless animal.

This country is not to be unduly excited by the conviction of editor Cutting for blackguarding editor Medina. But when it comes to unreasoning to cut Cutting's head off, we draw the line. No American editor can spare his head.—[S. F. Alta.]

PULTZER, proprietor of the New York World, and Dorsheimer, editor of the New York Star, are getting personal. In the last issue to hand, Pultzer calls Dorsheimer a liar on six separate and different counts. That surely calls for gore.

The change has not yet been made, and all mail bound east from the great Willamette valley and all western Oregon still sleeps for twenty-four hours in Portland, simply because proper connection is not made, and which could be remedied with very little trouble.

A LADY called on Mrs. Gladstone during the late parliamentary election, and greeting her, said: "These are troubled times, Mrs. Gladstone, but there is one above who will see through it all." "Yes," said the prime minister's wife, "take a seat, he will be down presently."

SENATOR JONES, of Florida, has opened a law office in Detroit, and has notified the governor of his state that he proposes to serve out the balance of his term without resigning. His term will not expire until March, and it would appear that the Florida senator has no intention of attending the winter session.

TACOMA is building a platform for Gen. John A. Logan to make a speech from when he visits that city next week. It makes very little difference what he says at Tacoma or anywhere else. He is politically dead and has been since last June when he deflated the man from Ohio, Standard Oil Payne, who bought his seat in the United States senate.—[Astorian.]

The California legislature, at its extra session, has elected a senator, just what the governor did not want or expect it to do, and it looks as if it will adjourn without taking action upon the great water question. Stoneman made the grandest blunder ever made since the boy cut off the limb he was standing on above where he was standing.

EVERY printer and newspaper writer everywhere will heartily concur in the following advice to young men: "Young men, don't swear. There is no occasion for swearing outside of a printing office, where it is useful in proof reading and indispensably necessary in getting forms to press. It has been known also to materially assist an editor in looking over the paper after it is printed. But otherwise, it is a foolish habit."

We referred recently to the female spiritist who had succeeded in convincing a score of reputable residents of Cincinnati that she was Jesus Christ, and who held court in that city. It seems that the relatives of her victims could make no impression on the boundless credulity of these dupes. Meanwhile the Cincinnati Enquirer set men at work and unearthed the history of this woman. They exposed her shameful record, and proved beyond doubt that she had been guilty of violating the seventh commandment. They showed also that her blasphemous pretensions were purely mercenary, as she assessed each member of her flock \$3 per week, and was gathering in in this way about \$50 per week. The exposure fell upon the crowd of dupes like a thunderbolt, and has succeeded in convincing most of them that they had pinned their faith to a very common-place adventuress.

WE wish to thank our kind friends for their sympathy and tender services in our dark hour. We shall remember them through life with the deepest gratitude.

MRS. McCULLY AND FAMILY.

A CAUSTIC REVIEW.

Congressman Thomas B. Reed, of Maine, the acknowledged leader of the republican side of that body, recently "dissected" the record of the Forty-ninth congress. While the arraignment is somewhat lengthy, the following parts of it are worthy of the attention of every intelligent reader. It is caustic and concise:

"The house of representatives of the Forty-ninth congress, democratic by forty majority, has had the best opportunity there could be to signalize the usefulness to its country and its party. For the first time in twenty-five years a democratic house has had a democratic administration to sustain it and a democratic administration to provide for. At an early day in the session the rules, by the aid of the republicans, were so liberalized that the majority for the first time for years had full control. During the whole session the majority have not been hampered or troubled or hindered by dilatory tactics on the part of the opposition. They have had full chance to run and be glorified. When the house was organized and the committee of ways and means appointed it could be seen at a glance that the free-trade element was alone represented on the democratic side. On this point the house was organized against its majority. Then commenced that series of manoeuvres in favor of various Morrison bills which called a halt to the industries of the country, then just beginning to show signs of revival. This free-trade reconnaissance in force ended in defeat, but it lasted long enough to make every manufacturer timid and to discourage the employment of laborers and skilled workmen. The last Morrison bill remains on the docket a standing menace still.

"For the rest, the house has been chiefly remarkable for what it has not done. The great territory of Dakota, with half a million of American citizens, has been denied admission into the Union. A great and growing empire has been smothered in committee. The democratic majority has thrust it away privily. They have not dared to face the open day with this measure and have never brought it before the house. Washington and Montana have received little treatment, though the cases are not so flagrant as that of Dakota.

"In the territory of Utah the partial success of the first Edmunds bill pointed the way to the complete overthrow of the Mormon hierarchy. Accordingly the senate passed another and more efficacious bill. After long delay in the judiciary committee the bill was reported back with amendments which deserve commendation. But that measure has never been called up. It sleeps away down the committee list. There is no excuse for this. Had it never been required to undergo the ordeal of a two-thirds vote, not enough democrats would have dared to vote against it in the open day to defeat it. Hence it was never brought up. The Mormons are triumphant and the Gentiles cast down.

"During the last two or three weeks there seems to have come over the majority a realizing sense that something must be done. Hence Mr. Keagan, after announcing to his own committee that the interstate commerce bill, his own invention, must go over because there was no time to discuss so important a measure, suddenly thrust it in the way of the consideration of the pension bills vetoed by the president. When he obtained recognition, instead of pressing the Cullom bill, which, having already passed the senate, would have become a law, he adhered obstinately to his own measure, and has thus blocked legislation again on this important subject. Wise legislation consists in doing what you can, not in blocking legislation because others do not agree with you.

"On the Northern Pacific land forfeiture, instead of accepting the senate bill, which would have forfeited lands about which there could be and would be no legal dispute and which expressly reserved further right of forfeiture, they have insisted upon tacking on a forfeiture which would have led to another legal embroilment to which the Des Moines River troubles, which has engaged congress so long and the just settlement of which the president has vetoed, would have been but a molehill to a mountain. The passage of the house bill would be a bonanza to the legal profession.

"During the last campaign the democratic orators made many a vote with the declaration that there were \$300,000,000 locked up in the treasury which would flow all over the country in fracturing streams if the democratic party were to come into power. The first thing the administration did was to change the form of the treasury accounts to show that there was only an \$8,000,000 surplus, and the next thing they did was to increase that surplus to \$75,000,000. This was too gross a contradiction of stump oratory to escape comment. Accordingly, Mr. Morrison early in the session got his committee to present a resolution not to pour out the \$300,000,000 which they said the republicans had hoarded, but the \$8,000,000 which the Cleveland administration had added. But even this resolution, which fell so short of the stump oratory with which the people had been beguiled, was allowed to rest until a week or two ago, and then was brought up in hopes the senate would kill it. But the senate, instead of killing it, amended it judiciously; trying to preserve for the democratic administration the same power always exercised by the republican administration, and exercised so wisely as never to call for even partisan legislative rebuke.

"The surplus resolution, when it passed both houses and went to the White House, was allowed to go without the president's signature, which was equivalent to a veto.

"The country has long since decided that it needs a navy. The committee on naval affairs presented a bill for six and a half millions. Nobody could regard this as extravagant. It even seems trifling when compared with our needs. But even that small amount Mr. Herbert found his leaders unwilling to consent to, and although he was promised the support of all the republicans, himself voted for three millions and a half only. He had to confess on the floor that he was forced by the democratic leaders to cut his bill in two. The only excuse that can be given for this trifling with our needs while we have an overflowing treasury, is found in the fact that for sixteen months the secretary of the navy has failed even to advertise for the ships already authorized.

"The country also needs fortifications.

Even Mr. Tilden impliedly reproached his party for the neglect of that. Mr. Randall has offered to appropriate about \$300,000 for fortifications and guns, too. What a sum for such a purpose! It wouldn't fortify one block in Chicago against the anarchists. The senate has raised the amount to \$6,000,000, and any one who has watched Mr. Randall will see that he intends the fortification bill to fail. And it will fail unless public indignation manifests itself.

[It did fail.] "Whoever carefully examines even the few instances I have thus enumerated will see one line of policy running all through the whole series. That policy is to pass bills, which by reason of the delay, the lateness of the passage or their unreasonable nature will not become law, and then to proclaim what great things would have been done had it not been for the wicked partners! This course is not sensible or wise. Any wise set of legislators, especially those who proclaim reverence for the constitution, would have recognized the existence of the senate and the president and then tried to do the best they could for the country."

WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY.

News Notes Concerning this Institution, its Students, Teachers, and Friends.

Mr. J. Swayne, of Salena valley, Cal., has engaged a room in the university, and will come to Salem in two or three weeks. Mr. Swayne will graduate in the classical course next year.

Prof. W. C. Hawley, who has been principal of Umpqua academy for two years, and who graduated in the scientific course in the class of '84, has taken a room in the young men's boarding hall, and will again enter the university in the classical course.

Eighteen rooms have been engaged in the young men's hall. The stairways have just been completed and nearly all the rooms are furnished in nice style. The entire building will be ready to receive students in a few days.

Both room and water closets are being built in the Woman's college, and hot and cold water supplied both up stairs and down. The location of the college on Court street, where the main of the sewer runs, has rendered it easy to make these improvements.

Mrs. A. Mackintosh, of Seattle, W. T., has secured the vacant house east of the Woman's college, and will move to Salem in a few days to educate her son and daughter. A nephew of Mrs. Mackintosh will accompany them, and also attend the university next year.

Mr. and Mrs. Boesch, of East Portland, who are to take charge of the boarding department of the hall for young men, will come to Salem next Tuesday. A surprise was given a few evenings ago in view of their departure for Salem; and a host of friends gathered at their home, to testify their regrets at their departure.

The university has nearly double the correspondence it has ever had, and if the number of students is correspondingly large there will be a very large attendance. Every position is filled and every person employed for the year's work except a competent lady to take charge of the cooking at the Woman's college. At present there are no applications for this place.

Mrs. C. C. B. Hawley, dean of the Woman's college, will leave Boston the 20th of this month, and will arrive in Salem about the 1st of September. Mrs. Hawley was educated in one of the best schools of New England, and seems delighted with her new home in the west. She writes that nothing could be more congenial to her taste and ambition than just such a position to which she has been elected. The woman's college will be full of students the coming year, and Mrs. Hawley will have plenty of opportunity to employ her special gifts.

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A. H. CORNELIUS, Assessor Marion County, Oregon. Dated at Salem this 9th day of August, 1886.

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