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Polygamists Begging Pardon.

The Mormons are not at all pleased with the decision of the Supreme court of the United States, affirming the opinion of the court below, which convicted one Reynolds of bigamy. A petition is being circulated in Utah for the pardon of Reynolds, on the ground that, being a test case, to prove an offence of which many other Mormons are guilty, he ought not to be made a scapegoat for the entire order. Delegate Cannon, who has four wives, and yet manages to hold a seat in congress, is furious over the decision. He declares that the Supreme court should be set at defiance when it makes any ruling to interfere with the right of conscience. In other words, this man Cannon maintains that polygamy is a part of the Mormon religion, and, as a religion, cannot be interfered with under the national constitution. It is the misfortune of persons to differ on this subject, but if the government ever intends to enforce its laws against polygamy, Cannon will find himself in the condition of the defendant bovine on the railroad track—liable to be crushed, unless he steps aside when the train approaches. But the Salt Lake Herald (Mormon organ), is no better pleased than Cannon. Here is what it has to say in reference to the decision:

But neither he (Bro. Reynolds) nor any of us wishes to ask man's pardon for our obedience to a law of God. We do not want to see any one so foolish as to court suffering or invite penalties. We think it the duty every man to take all proper means to escape the consequences of an unjust and oppressive statute. But if God commands, and obedience to His mandate necessarily requires sacrifice and suffering, who will shrink from duty or cringe and crave for human pardon? The doings of a whole people should not be packed upon one pair of shoulders, therefore we hope to see and sign a petition for Bro. Reynolds' relief. But that request should not and must not compromise, in the very smallest degree, the unshaken faith of the latter-day saints in the truth of the principle for the practice of which Bro. Reynolds has been condemned, nor our testimony of its divine origin, no matter what decision may be rendered by legislators or judges, by presidents or emperors, or by all the civilized and heathen nations that constitute the whole world.

Now, it is well understood that when one asks to be pardoned for a crime, he regrets it, and will not again be guilty of it. But this man Reynolds admits no offence, nor makes any promises of reform. His appeal will, therefore, be very likely to fail before the president.

—There is a bill now pending in congress, introduced by Senator Eaton, of Connecticut, to repeal the law that imposes a tax of fifty cents per ton upon all American vessels of which any officer is not a citizen of the United States, and provides that any amount exceeding fifty cents per ton thus collected since February 27, 1877, may be refunded by the Treasury. If there ever was a time when such a law was feasible or necessary, it has gone by. Our ships are no longer manned by American citizens, as they once were, their crews being made up of the odds and ends of all nations; and as a consequence, there has been a great falling off in the material from which spring American officers. Let all laws be repealed that serve no good purpose.

The Steamship Great Republic.

Who Owns Her?—What Nautical Quiddances Say—A Conundrum.

The steamship Great Republic is now laid up at the Folsom street wharf, says the Chronicle, where she is to have a new condenser put in. She will not be ready for sea for three or four weeks. This steamship—which, at the time she was launched in 1863, was the pride of the American marine—is now, in her later days, the object of a great deal of solicitude on the part of the nautical quiddances, and hardly a day passes but a group of these worthies will get together in the Merchants' Exchange and among one of the first conundrums pronounced is, "Who owns the Great Republic?"

Thus far the question has proved a knotty one to solve, although many have done it to their individual satisfaction. Captain Bob says, with his thumbs in his vest, "Certainly, I can tell you who owns her. Leland Standford is the man. He is running on that line just to keep it open until he gobbles Pacific Mail. He already has the Panama railroad where he can put his hand on it, whenever he wants it. I tell you I have no doubt of it, gentlemen. D. O. Mills pays the bills. No steamships for D. O., gentlemen; and who's more likely to be the man behind than Standford, hey?"

This argument of Captain Bob's ought to be a crusher, but Captain Tom thinks it is a mistake, and he says, "Now, gentlemen, in my opinion, the people who own the Great Republic are the managers of the Oregon Steamship company. They are running her as a blind to Goodall & Perkins and when the State of California gets out here next spring they will have them in such a tight place that they will be glad to let 'em have their new ship at less than cost price and give up the Oregon route too."

Another skipper—an unsophisticated one, some think—insists that Goodall, Perkins & Co. are playing the same game on the Oregon company that Captain Tom asserts they are trying to play on Goodall, Perkins & Co. Another thinks that she still belongs to the Pacific Mail company, and that, under the Babcock management, they will make a strong push to secure the Oregon trade.

All agree that she is constantly sinking money, and only a long purse can stand the drain. For the benefit of the general public who are not "up" in steamship matters, it may be stated that P. B. Cornwall purchased the Great Republic from the Pacific Mail company about a year ago for \$25,000, and now holds a bill of sale for her at that amount, and claims to be her owner, and is not losing money.

—The woman suffrage question is overshadowing all others at present, in the California constitutional convention. On the 14th one member indignantly repudiated the effete argument that women can't fight, and every married man in the assembly grimly conceded the correctness of his views. It is difficult to make the unmarried members believe it, though. They still cling to the old theory that women are angels without wings, and that to introduce an element of heavenly origin into politics would produce most disastrous results.

—It was remarked by every one in Salem, at all conversant with the truth, that Mr. S. A. Clarke's letters from the capitol were the life of the Oregonian during the past session of the assembly. He was most untiring and zealous in his efforts to keep the readers of that journal fully posted with respect to all matters of importance. We regretted his resolution to pull up stakes and go to Portland with the Farmer; predicted that those whom he served the best would fail to appreciate his efforts. The time has come sooner than was expected, and Saturday's Oregonian makes a beastly attack upon Mr. Clarke. Just such an attack as might be anticipated from such source.

—A new ocean route is proposed between Liverpool and the Saskatchewan valley, via Hudson's strait and bay, for the purpose of settling the northwest part of the continent, and opening it to trade. For two hundred years the Hudson Bay company's sailing ships have traded between York Factory, the chief port on Hudson's bay, and Scotland. The strait and bay are clear of ice early in July, closing again at the end of September. Lignite coal is found in abundance at Davis strait, and a coaling station for the projected steamship line could be established there.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

SPECIAL NOTICE. ALL PERSONS KNOWING themselves indebted to me will please settle their accounts, as all accounts unpaid by February 1st will be placed in attorneys hands to enforce collection. We mean it. B. HAMBURGER. Astoria, Jan. 20, 1879.

MAIL NOTICE. SEALED PROPOSALS for carrying the United States mails between the Post-office at Astoria, Clatsop county, Oregon, and the landing of the U. S. S. Co., one time a week each way, will be received by the Postmaster until January 27, 1879. No contract is required to be executed; but persons bidding must be honest and capable, not less than sixteen years old, and the accepted bidder will be expected to serve at the compensation proposed until otherwise ordered by the Postmaster General; he will also be required to take the oath prescribed by law. No more can be allowed than a fair and reasonable compensation for the service, to be determined by the department. Postmasters and assistants cannot draw pay for such service. THOS. J. BRADY, Second Assis't Postmaster General. WM. CHANCE, P. M., Astoria, Oregon.

Fish Commissioners Notice. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned, having been duly appointed deputy for Clatsop county, by C. Lieneweber, Fish Commissioner, under the laws of the State of Oregon, will be in readiness from and after this date, to issue licenses, at his office up stairs, corner of Cass and Squemoque streets, Astoria, Oregon. H. B. FERGUSON, Deputy Fish Commissioner. January, 14, 1879.

\$67,000,000 CAPITAL. LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE, NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE OF LONDON AND EDINBURGH, OLD CONNECTICUT OF HARTFORD, AND COMMERCIAL OF CALIFORNIA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANIES. Representing a capital of \$67,000,000. A. VAN DUSEN, Agent.

JUST RECEIVED. BOILED CIDER; PLUM PUDDING, IN CANS; CODFISH BALLS, IN CANS; PORK AND BEANS, IN CANS; EASTERN CRANBERRIES; ZANTE CURRANTS; FRESH CITRON; ORANGES AND LIMES, the finest ever brought in the market; CRYSTAL DRIPS, GALLON CANS; NEW ORLEANS MOLASSES. PICKLED HERRING IN KEGS, JUMBLES, ETC., ETC. MUSCATED RAISINS, 2-lb PACKAGES, VERY FINE; PIGS FEET, 1-lb AND 2-lb TINS; CHICKENS AND TURKEYS, IN TINS; EASTERN AND OREGON HAMS, best quality. Also, a fine assortment of BREAKFAST BACON AND OTHER MEATS. AT J. W. GEARHART'S.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

CHARLES HEILBORN, MANUFACTURER OF FURNITURE and BEDDING. And Dealer in CARPETS, OIL CLOTHS, WALL PAPER, SHADES, ETC. All kinds of repairing promptly attended to, and furniture made to order. A full line of picture mouldings and frames, brackets, window curtains, etc. Full stock and lowest prices, corner of Squemoque and Main street, Astoria.

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C. J. SMITH, (IN THE ASTORIAN BUILDING) HAS JUST RECEIVED A LOT OF NEW goods, consisting of MEN'S AND BOYS' CALF AND KIP BOOTS Buckle and Congress Gaiters, Women, Misses and Children's BUTTON BOOTS. Which will be sold at the very lowest prices.

A RARE CHANCE. I WILL SELL ANY OR ALL OF THE following described property, viz: 160 Acres, Sec. 22, T. 8, N. of R. 9 west, southeast quarter. Also, in Olney's Astoria Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, in Block 79; Lots 3, 4, 5, and 6, in Block 160; Lots 2 and 4, in Block 120; and Lot 8, in Block 132; North half of Block 8, - 2 1-2 acres. DAVID INGALLS, Astoria, Oregon, Dec. 10, 1878. '85-6m

PICKED UP.—A skiff was picked up on or about January 11, 1879, in Astoria by the undersigned. The owner is requested to call, prove property, pay charges and take the same away. S. SCHMEER, 1w-daw Opposite the bell tower, Astoria.

GEORGE BOSS' Billiard Room. The only Billiard Room in the city where no liquors are sold. NEW TABLE JUST PUT UP. GEORGE BOSS has a cosy place and keeps on hand the best brand of Cigars. Also, soda, candy, nuts, etc. Opposite Altoma Chop House. 95-14 GEO. BOSS, Proprietor.

CASH STORE! T. BAILEY Have just received a new invoice of Groceries, Queensware, Lamps and Fixtures, Which I offer at a bargain for CASH. FLOUR and FEED. Corner of main and Squemoque sts., ASTORIA, - - OREGON.

Notice to All Concerned. Men and Boys Must be CLOTHED! As well as to have toys for Christmas. Christmas is Over! -BUT- N. LOEB HAS NOT Surrendered! And now invites the attention of everybody to his Full and Complete Stock, Consisting in part of A FULL LINE OF CLOTHING FOR MEN AND BOYS. Gents Furnishing Goods; -ALSO- Large Stock of Family Groceries; Canned Fruits, Etc.; -ALSO- Watches, Jewelry, Marine and Opera Glasses, etc.; Besides a choice lot of TOBACCO AND CIGARS, Wholesale and Retail. Call and see, N. LOEB, MAIN ST., - - - ASTORIA, OGN.

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