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D. C. ireland. FRIDAY …...............MAY $2,1 \pi 7$.

## Hebrew Farmers.

The Jews of the United States are inangurating a movement for the establishment of agriceliural colonies in the west and sonth. It s a remarka-
ble departure for this people to undertake. Such a person as a Hebrew farmer is hardly known in the history of this country. The subject of colonization was frst discussed at the
annual convention of Hebrew congregations at Cincinnats, last sumgreer. gations at Cincinnatt, last summer.
On that oecasion a committee was appointed to further consider the mat-
ter. This committee has reporied that, in their opinion, the true emancipation of Jews consists in the greater infusion of a spirit of manhood and
self-dependence, which can best be done by encouraging the milions of Israelites dwelling in eastern and
southern Earope to become farmers and mechanies. The commities points
to the broad free acres of the west, to the broad, free acres of the west,
ready to yield untold wealth, and to impart to millions of Jews that spirit of true independence that the owner and tiller of the soll always enjoys.
The Jews of this country and of all countries are of a patient, presevering tireless nature. In trade they are
elose, active, sharp and successful. elose, active, sharp and successful.
Centuries of persecution have failed to break either spirit or ambition. Their physical and mental endurance
something wonderiul. They slowly emerge from the bondage of ages, and uries of the most poweriul civilized governments of the world, direct their grandest commercial enterprises, dic
tate international treaties, and the foreign and home politics of nations. Looking at the vast accomplishment other directions, what may we not be prepared to see them do in this new prediet for Jewish agriculture in America within the present century a success that shall be the marvel of
agricultural history. With the He brews once fairly enlisted, we shall with a thoroughness and success here tufore unknown either abroad or at
home. The movement, as we said be fore, is an entire new departure in th industrial habits of the Hebrew race as it has existed for centuries, but it
is to be remembered that it is buta re turn to the life and work of the fore fathers.

Destitute Emigrants.
So far the colured emigrants have -nnt found Kansas the land of honey
it was represented to be. They have landed in large numbers at $W$ yandotte and have no other resources than the
charity of strangers. Wyandutte is a flourishing town in the county of the Missonri and Kansas rivers, and while generally in favor of immigratiun, is not prepared to give food and ported to be on their way to that state The condition of the emigrant is pitiable. Kansas is a colder climate than they are accustomed to, and pri-
vation and exposare have already cabsed a number of deaths. Whatever measures may be taken for pres
ent relief, emigration in such lar numbers shouid be discouraged. Ennigration should be gradual even under
favorable circumstances. If the bulk of the Inboring population of large districts iu one state are snddenly transferred toanother state, the efficts
are bad in both. While the Mississippi planters are threatened with ruin sus are overrun with lhe whem are overrun with haborers, whom there is no work. The move be a heathful indication of enterprise if it were cundncted with discretion; bat from present indications the immediate restereats of both races.

- A girl it an lowa seminary cut all
the hair frou the head of her sleeping yoom mate in revenge for a slight, and hes been expelled by the faculty.


## Sirgular and Sad Eli poment.

The daughter of Mayor Jonez of Toledo, Ohio, eloped in a singu-
lar and sad manner. Mr. Jones lar and sad manner. Mr. Jones
had repeatedly been chosen chief ragistrate of his city, and is a man of wealth and high respectability.
Tbe daughter, now 20 years old, Tbe daughter, now 20 years old,
Graduated at the head of her class rraduated at the head of her class
in the Toledo high sehool at 16 , and was regarded as one of the most
accomplished girls in Ohio. She was a pius Roman Catholic, until converted by a former school mate to believe in the doctrine of perfectionism, as taught by a sect
of communistic Free Methodists. She was so influenced by this new faith that she discarded the lover to whom she was engaged, intend-
ing to wait until she could choose a husband spiritually suited to her. At length she became insane, and was kept awhile in an asylum,
where the friend who had won her to perfectionism was also confined.
Both were subsequently released, apparently cured. Lately Miss Jones was visited by Sheriden
Wuite of Fort Edward, New York, who brought a letter of introduc-
tion from her friend, in which he was described as the man above all others for her to marry. Al-
though Waite was an ugly young
fellow, Miss Jones unhesitatingly fellow, Miss Jones unhesitating
accepted him, religious mania accepted nossessing her. His con-
once repose
duct then and afterward indicates that he was equally crazy. They
eloped together, and travelled irom place to place until, in Jones-
ville, Mich., they found ville, Mich., they found a clerg.
man willing to marry them. man willing to marry them. A
physician saw them, recognized
the bride, and the bride, and was convinced of
the insanity of the pair. He telethe insanity of the pair. He tele-
graphed to Mayor Jones, who has regained his daughter. -Steps have been taken, at Wash-
in ${ }_{3}$ ten, to provide for some kind of civil government at Alaska. Looking to this end, H. B. James, chief of the
eustons division, E. W. Clark, chief custonns division, E. W. Clark, chief
of the revenue marine division, and A. K. Tingley, supervising special
agent, have been appointed a commis agent, have been appointed a commis-
sion to consider this vexed question and report on all information which
can be gleaned respecting the wants can be gle
-Student Love of the Ohio Normal college put on a mask, wrapped
himself in a sheet, and stalked into student Stont's room at midnight. Stout may have been scared, but certainly was not paralyzed by fright,
fur he knocked the pretended ghost down with a chair, fracturing his
skull, and putting his nose awry.

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