

The Daily Astorian.

ASTORIA, OREGON: SUNDAY, JULY 8, 1888.

At Hamilton, Canada, a man who borrowed an umbrella and did not return it has just been sentenced to jail for one year.

The protection of American industry is the most important question since that of the protection of the American Union was settled on the battle-field.

A Boston man bet \$50 that a barrel filled with gas would weigh more than an empty one. His eyes opened very wide when he saw that it did not weigh as much.

RECONNOITERING parties following Stanley's route have found the bones of numerous victims, evidently of the struggles with the natives. Relief for Stanley's camp is going forward.

The big timber raft will be launched at Joggins, Nova Scotia, during the present month. The raft contains 22,000 logs, is valued at \$30,000, and will take six days at \$100 a day to reach New York.

In the electoral college of 1884 Cleveland obtained 219 votes and Blaine 182 votes. Cleveland got twenty states and a popular vote of 4,845,255, to Blaine eighteen states and 4,818,671 votes.

PERSONS visiting Washington have, perhaps, regarded the capitol as complete, but it is, in fact, an unfinished building, and the house has just appropriated \$100,000 for a grand portico and staircase at the west front.

The police force in Birmingham, Ala., costs the city nothing. At least that's what a local paper asserts. The revenue from firms pays all the police expenses, and at times there is a surplus, which in one instance amounted to \$1,000.

A NEW YORK farmer named Ladd, who has long been insane, was kicked on the head by a horse the other day and knocked senseless. When he came to he was as sane as anybody, but could remember nothing of the last fifteen years.

WHILE the Emperor of Brazil was ill in Milan his estimated expenses were 400,000. The regular hotel bill was 1,000, but on account of his illness other guests had to leave, and for thirty-five days the cost was 65,000. A physician from Paris made two trips to Milan for 40,000, two Italian doctors were paid 1,200 a day, and he had to give a lot of fees.

THE Alta has dug up Gen. Harrison's great, great grandfather's tombstone, and boldly publishes the inscription upon that tombstone. That certainly proves that Harrison is an unfit man for president. It was a great mistake for Ben Harrison, of Indiana to have a great, great grandfather; it was a great mistake for Ben Harrison's great, great grandfather to have had a tombstone put over his grave; and it is a great stroke of enterprise for the Alta to have discovered the tombstone and the inscription, "in Surry county, Virginia, in 1645." By the way here is that dreadful inscription: "He was loyal to ye king." That settles it. He'd ort to've been a rebel—in 1645.

Not An Uncommon Occurrence. A person sees a good many strange things in this world, but we believe one of the oddest scenes ever witnessed was last Sunday evening while strolling along the streets of Astoria. In one of the upper rooms of a tall, lank looking hotel, near the O. R. & N. dock, were two men sitting, holding a fish pole, attached to which was a long line. A hook was fastened to the line and dropped into the water surging about the foundation of the building, and ever and anon, the bold fisherman would yank in a sea bass of goodly proportions. The room in which they were sitting was occupied as sleeping apartments by the twain, and whether they were fishing for their supper or for pastime, we did not enquire. It is the first time we ever witnessed fishing from a bedroom before.—Pacific Journal 5.

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WILLIAM NYE.

Troubled With Clams, He Tries Psychic Healing.

His Disease a Lack of Equilibrium in Thought.

For about two years I have been trying to find out about Psychic healing, and to more fully understand other methods of avoiding the expense incident to the employment of druggists and physicians in the treatment of disease. I have hesitated about saying much relative to this matter through the press, because I feared that it might invade the realm of religion, but I am now convinced that these methods, so far as I have observed, are entirely distinct and separate from all kinds of religion, and therefore may be safely discussed without running the risk of interference with the belief which every man has a right to enjoy un molested.

I have also obtained the consent of both the Allopathic and Homeopathic schools of medicine. The druggists also told me that I would meet with no opposition from them in a free and open discussion of this matter of low-priced and painless healing.

QUESTIONS ANSWERED FOR THE PATIENTS.

1. What is the treatment? Psychic or mental. It is not mesmerism, magnetism, nor will power.

2. Upon what is the treatment based? A philosophy of mind.

3. What is the basic principle? There is a supreme cause in the universe. That cause is spirit or mind.

4. What is affirmed of infinite mind? It is unchangeable in truth. There is no causation outside of it, as it includes the whole, none higher than it, as it holds the same of all its parts.

5. What is its essence? Truth, which is life, wisdom and love.

6. What is man's relation to infinite mind? He is related to the infinite as his finite thought is related to himself. He is a thought of infinite mind.

7. What is health? To finite thought, a relative expression. In reality it is wholeness—man's true inheritance.

8. What is disease? An expression for man's belief in falsehood—or a lack of equilibrium in thought.

9. Does that apply to all forms of so-called disease? It is a universal principle and admits of no qualifications.

10. How is equilibrium or health restored? By realizing the truth. I have pored over this circular a good deal. I have been a great sufferer for years, but had never before fully realized that it was "a lack of equilibrium in thought." The doctors had kept this back. They deluded me with the idea that it was spinal meningitis. If they considered it "a lack of equilibrium in thought," they were afraid to offend me by telling me so.

Lately I have suffered a good deal also from indigestion, brought on by "a lack of equilibrium" on the part of the American law, which I am passionately fond of, but with which I soon became extremely bored. On Wednesday I dropped in at a place where a man was closing out some misfit clams at a low price. I had a "lack of equilibrium" over these clams. Suffice it to say that I will buy no more clams at a forced sale.

I immediately thought of the Psychic treatment. According to query and answer No. 8, disease was simply "an expression for man's belief in falsehood." The man had told me that the clams were fresh and that he had pulled the stinger out of each one.

I rode up Broadway in one of Mr. Sharp's cars and attracted considerable attention by my restless manner. Several people got off earlier than they had intended, and walked the rest of the way.

I had a disease which I could not get rid of, but I thought I could find the place by inquiring. All New York people are kind about telling a man where to go. They always tell him even if they have to tell him to go where the worm dieth not, but squirmeth on for ever and ever. Several people have already addressed this hackneyed remark to me, forgetting that I am utterly tired of it.

I was directed to climb the stairs of a very high building. If a man happened to fall out of the upper window he would strike the ground in the form of a fine spray. I have since learned that I was in the wrong building. I asked a lady at the head of the stairs if she knew where I could get the equilibrium of a few restless clams restored. She said that she was engaged in the Psychic industry and invited me in.

The room was plainly furnished with a dark-brown door-mat and an umbrella. The mat had a number and street engraved on it that belonged up near Harlem.

I was in great pain and begged pitifully to be thrown out of the window, but the healer told me to be quiet and direct my faith towards the pit of my stomach. I tried hard to do so but it did not seem to make any difference. Then I was told that my faith was inferior in quality and deficient in quantity. She said I must exercise the most implicit faith and give her two dollars. "I did so."

The healer said that just as soon as I could firmly believe that my pain had gone, I would find that I was free from it. I exerted myself trying to believe that I was black in the face. The perspiration stood on the brow of my faith in great knobs. Every little while I could hear my confidence rip down by back in its great effort to assert itself. It did no good.

We are told of many strange and almost miraculous cures by this new method, if it can be so called. Patients who have been operated by charity and one crutch have risen and gone forth reconstructed; large, eating canoes have suddenly lost their appetites and ceased to eat, and in one instance a new eyeball sprouted and grew an old socket full of optic nerve. Large classes are formed to receive instructions in the faith cure, and if they succeeded in believing the above statements they are graduated.

Sometimes the treatment works well on the nervous system, but injures the patient in some other way.

Sometimes a cure is worked by the laying on of hands and sometimes this is repulsive to me in all cases, but it can be overcome. In riding from Chicago to Portland, Or., I once had a watch which gave me a good deal of trouble by outstripping the local time along the road as the journey was made. A gentleman on the train, who was a psychic healer, laid his hands on the diseased watch and it disappeared. The chief objection to psychic healing is the absolute failure in long-standing cases of polio, blind stagers and glanders. In a nutshell, the theory is that if you believe you are healed, you are healed, but the most stubborn resistance to this doctrine is met with among both horses and men.

I am free to confess, however, that my first impression about faith cure was erroneous. It is not a method of curing embossed or broken-down faith, but it is a means, without medicine, of restoring by psychic influences all diseases, from the insidious and death-dealing pip to the long-waited and rapacious tapeworm. I can testify that this subject is absolutely devoid of anything miraculous and on the theory that an all-wise providence is not going to reconsider its decrees of disease or death simply because the suggestion is made by an unknown person who is getting \$2 per pop for making the request.

Still, I do not wish to be unfair. I do

not wish to be put down as the relentless foe of psychic healing, and so I am going to give it another trial. I am now trying it on my hair.

BRILL NYS.

FROM COOS BAY.

Pete Scott intends running salteries on the bay and Umpqua this season.

The Coquille Fishermen's Union have fixed the price of salmon at 40 and 60 cents for the coming season.

The C. B. F. P. U. held another meeting last Saturday afternoon, and raised the price of salmon for the coming season to 45 and 75 cents.

Charley Norris, who went to the Columbia a few weeks ago, writes to a friend that the run of salmon continues very light, and that not one fisherman out of a hundred is making expenses.

The tug Columbia, Capt. Magee, left last Wednesday for Yaquina, to bring down the Southern Oregon Co.'s river steamer Montezano. They found the Yaquina bar rough and the steamer Willamette Valley and Mischief lying inside bar bound. The Columbia crossed out again next day, but without the Montezano, it being too rough for her.—Coos Bay News, 4.

Rough on Mr. F.

Clare, a bright little four-year-old, and her two-year-old brother Ragely, are always saying a speech beginning:

When I was young and had no sense, I bought a rooster for fifty cents. One day Clare walked into the parlor while one of her young aunts was entertaining a gentleman.

"Mr. F.," she said, "you were born right young, weren't you?" "Mr. F.," he admitted that he was.

"Is Mrs. F. your wife?" was the next question. "Oh, no," he replied, "she is my mother."

"Well," remarked Miss Clare, "when your mother was young and had no sense, she had you, didn't she?"

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