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THE ASTORIA HERALD.

Last Tuesday's Astorian contained a column editorial headed, "A Word of Warning," every paragraph of which began, "Let the Clatsop county delegates beware." These six words were all that was original about it.

As every reader of the paper knows, it has always been the policy of the Astorian to ignore the misrepresentations and slanderous attacks of the vile and irresponsible class of newspaper sheets, of which the Astoria Herald is a chief and leading representative.

In the first place, the Astorian believes that it is a notice in its columns that the fellows who run these newspapers mostly crave, and that the keenest satisfaction they could possibly derive from the malice and improprietous lies they invent and print from time to time, would be the apparent perturbation and concern involved in the Astorian's refutation or reply to them.

These papers have their field in Astoria; they are evidently wanted, and receive a patronage from some element in the community or they would not exist, and they doubtless will, for a time at least, continue to enjoy sufficient support to keep them alive.

The Astorian has no quarrel with them; it criticizes the taste or quality of the people who tolerate, read or enjoy the kind of matter with which they are filled. It is long ago realized by this paper that it could do no good in this direction, if it would, and it has dismissed the whole matter and purged its conscience by simply saying with the Psalmist in his gloom but hopeless expectation, "Can the Ethiopian change his color or the Leopard his spots?"

As already stated, these papers have their place, and so has the Astorian. It has no desire or intention of disturbing or trespassing in any way their particular and peculiar territory—nor neither can they that of the Astorian. Both classes occupy their respective fields by the law of natural selection and the right of merit, and the denunciations and refinements of ordinary civilized society forbid either from intruding upon the other.

Before dismissing the subject there is, however, one offense which the Herald has lately repeated so often and with such unblinking audacity that it becomes the Astorian's duty to deal with it more specifically. The offense is that contained in the paragraph at the head of this article charging the Astorian with matter taken from other papers.

It is legitimate usage among leading newspapers, in times of public agitation, or ardent political discussion, to seek to impress their readers with the ideas and lessons of their own convictions by freely using the materials and suggestions provided in the writings of recognized authorities. If it was simply a matter of ignorance or random guess with the Herald, the Astorian would not complain of this anxiety to have its articles accredited to other sources, for the Astorian seeks no praise for doing what it conceives to be its conscientious duty, as a quasi public institution, respecting the questions of the hour, and if its utterances are deemed of such unusual force and dignity as to merit such a mode of advertisement, even in the Herald, so much the better for the truth of its teaching; but there is reason to believe the author of the paragraph in question knows better, and that he deliberately adopts a course of perverting the truth because he thinks he can thus give an added sting to his coarse abuse and low vilification of the Astorian.

He not only says the article referred to in his paragraph was stolen, but he names the last number of Bradstreet's as the source from which it was taken. And now he may have no chance to resort to his usual tricks of equivocation, and to the end that he may stand

convicted as a dastardly and unscrupulous scoundrel—with such of the public as do not already know him, and for no other purpose, the Astorian challenges him to reproduce one sentence or even a single idea contained in that article, from Bradstreet's or any other paper; and in order that he may have a sufficient inducement for so doing, the Astorian here and now brands him for what he has said in the paragraph quoted as a wilful, deliberate, premeditated, malicious and unprincipled liar.

The Astorian prints this morning a statement from Mr. J. F. A. Johnson, a man of the highest respectability and one of the oldest fishermen on the Columbia river. Mr. Johnson's version is the best explanation yet made of the fishermen's side of the unfortunate fishing controversy, and it is really unfortunate that could not have been published sooner. As it is, however, the Astorian has had it telegraphed in full to the Examiner, at San Francisco, and a fair summary was also sent, through the Associated Press, to all the prominent Eastern papers. This statement goes far to set the fisherman right in the matter, and totally relieves them from the charges which have been spread far and wide that they have been and are intending to resort to acts of violence in order to carry their point with the packers.

EASTER MORNING.

The stone taken away from the sepulchre—John, xxi., 1. I imagine that astonishment reached its utmost limits when the people of Jerusalem learned that some one had rolled the stone away and that the tomb was empty. A great many declared, and with some show of reason, that what had apparently happened had certainly not really happened. How could it happen? they asked each other disdainfully. Was He not dead, and was not His death attested by the spear which entered His side? Were not specially instructed guards sent to watch the place, and to Roman soldiers fall in their duty when death is the penalty of neglect? How, then, does it come about that so strange a rumor fills the air?

There was scarcely a household in the whole magnificent city which on the morning of that third day was not profoundly stirred. Checks were flushed as the facts were related, and the discussion of possibilities waved hot. Some shrugged their shoulders with contemptuous incredulity, and others simply replied: "He said He would rise again, and He has kept His word."

We of a later generation, living in an environment of scientific marvels, hesitate before declaring that anything is impossible. Experience has taught us caution, for what our fathers could not believe we do not fully believe but explain by laws hitherto unknown.

When we have been told heretofore that Christ appeared to the disciples in that upper room, the doors being shut, even the most reverent among us have been unwilling if not unable to argue the matter. But recent discoveries have opened up a new world to our wondering eyes. We have hardly yet recovered from our bewilderment at the statement of what has been accomplished, and scarcely dare think of the further miracles that may be achieved in the near future. Has not the foremost science just declared that among other miracles it may yet be able to pass a solid through a solid, and have not all our notions of this impossible been thus scattered to the four winds? On this Easter morning, for the first time in twenty centuries, the sudden appearance of Christ in that upper room strikes us as not entirely strange. A whole series of higher laws—laws which thrill us with wonder and gratitude, laws the very contemplation of which moistens the eyes and makes the heart feverish with excitement—are being discovered.

It seems as though heaven itself were not far off and as though the hour had struck when Christ, who once said, "I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now," had begun to make a second revelation.

"How are the dead raised up? And with what body do they come?" These are questions to which answers are easily found. Nature has herself suggested them. For instance, on that leaf in your garden crawls a common grub. It is ungraceful in its motions and unattractive in appearance. You doubt my word when I tell you that within the body of that crawling creature are packed away a pair of wings which will some day come into use; that from this low form of existence will be evolved something so entirely different that you cannot recognize any relation between the two; that it will slough off this slimy coil and become a thing of beauty, cutting the air with many colored wings and sipping honey from every fragrant flower. You doubt all this, unless you have had experience in such matters; refer me to the sharply drawn lines between the possible and the impossible, and hint something about the credulity of those who believe in fairy tales. Nevertheless, the new creature is hidden in the old, and in good time the grub will stretch away at its own accord. It will fall upon sleep, and when the delicate and marvelous change has been made it will burst its bonds and emerge a butterfly.

Hardly more strange than that is man's passage from the mortal to immortality. Entried faculties are hidden in every human soul, like the wings in the grub, and at no time in this lower life do they come into full play. We crawl, but by

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