

THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 1890.

Religious Notes.

DON'TS LIE AT YOUR FOOT. The bitterest thing of all is that the government that protects the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and even the fishes of the sea, not only refuses to protect our boys, but actually sells them to raise public revenue. For every \$1000 collected from the liquor oligarchy public revenue, some mother's son is sacrificed on the leeking, putrid altar of Bacchus. And what we complain of as mothers, is that they sell our boys too cheap—only a thousand dollars a piece for boys, worth to us their weight in diamonds.

Ask that mother, who presses her white-souled child to her breast, what she will take for her boy, and she will tell you that all the money in the United States treasury could not buy the one little right arm that nestles in her bosom. No, we don't sell our children to the slow tortures of the drinking saloon. We are robbed by the municipal authorities, robbed by the State, robbed by the liquor oligarchy; all united together hand joined to hand for gain.

General News.

Quebec, March 12th: In the local legislature, a resolution was passed in favor of the construction of a railway from Quebec to St. Charles bay, on the Labrador coast, reducing the distance to Europe 1332 miles.

The jury in the case of Mrs. B. S. Terry, charged with contempt of court for resisting Marshal Frank in his attempt to take her from the court room, when so ordered by Judge Fields, failed to agree; resulting in eight for acquittal and four for conviction.

All estimates agree in placing the total population of the United States, which this year's census will show at 65,900,000. An increase of thirty per cent above the census taken in 1880.

A fearful widow, at Charleston, W. Virginia, obtained an order for four dollars worth of groceries from the Poor Commissioners. Next day the provisions were spread as refreshments at her wedding banquet.

There are eight varieties of leprosy recognized in China, and the disease is regarded as contagious, infectious and hereditary, but is said to disappear in four generations.

Three private individuals in the United States are allowed to send mail free of postage. They are the widows of Presidents Polk, Grant and Garfield. In 1836 Congress passed an act conferring this privilege on the widows of presidents.

Will January 1, A. D. 1900 be the beginning of the twentieth century, or will January 1, 1901? is the question now bothering the college professors of the East.—Telegram.

It may better college professors that it doesn't editors. They all agree that the latter date has to be the one. It can't be anything else. That is what the figure 1 is for, to indicate the beginning. The first century began January 1 in the year 2, and the second century Jan. 1, 101, of course, the year 100 closing the first century. Anybody can see that but professors who try to be too erudite. Perhaps, though the exiles about the question bothering the Prof.—S. R. Democrat.

At Louisville, Ky., March 5th, John Willis a man highly respected in McLeish county, married Mrs. Edie Pinkston a couple of days ago. At the wedding supper a discussion arose between them as to religion and grew very warm. Things grew unpleasant and the company withdrew one by one. Mrs. Willis became furious and refused to retire to the bridal chamber. Every effort failed, and the women sat at the table still in her chair until daylight. She set out for her former home refusing to be accompanied by anybody. The minister of her church has endeavored to get her to return to her husband, and the latter has offered not to mention religion again in her presence, but she refuses to entertain any proposition looking to reconciliation.—S. R. Democrat.

He had come here about ten days ago and taken a room in the Golden Rule. While in bed at night, the idea of committing suicide possessed him. He arose tied a slip-noose around his neck with a rope which he had, and drew it with his hands until blood rushed from his nose and ears, and several small blood-vessels were burst. He did not consider that attempt satisfactory and concluded to try drowning as a means of ending his existence. He left the hotel and started up the river, looking the while for a nice, deep place that would serve as an infallible life-extinguisher. Finding one, he fell of the water, but his chillness appalled him and he thought it would be better to lie down on the railroad track and wait for a train, which plan he at once put to effect. No train arrived for several hours, however, and he coming the 1, resumed his journey. Seeing the cabin, he was struck by a new and dazzling idea. He would enter, lie down and undergo a slow process of starvation, until he was as thin as a rail. As he did not wish to thirst, he brought some ice into the cabin and then threw himself on the floor. He would undoubtedly have carried out his intention, had he not been found in the nick of time by Mr. Casey.

Another peculiar feature of the case is the fact that after awakening from his insensibility, he was in the cloud which he had rested on his mind was removed, he could remember distinctly every circumstance connected with his strange actions on arriving at Pendleton, and he reiterated the story told during the night.

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