

THE local newspaper is the backbone of the community, and generous as is the public appreciation of its offices, it merits much more sympathy and support than it generally receives.—Philadelphia Times.

Foreign presses is now full of new facts and fancies about what is going to be done in Chicago, while 6 months ago hardly a friendly or hopeful word was heard from abroad. The Paris Exposition was a big thing, but the Chicago Fair will leave it far in the distance. The Frenchmen had 73 acres under roof, but Chicago will have 115 acres.

MANY years practice has given C. A. Snow & Co., solicitors of patents at Washington D. C., unsurpassed success in obtaining patents for all classes of inventions. They make a specialty of rejected cases, and have secured allowance of many patents that have been previously rejected. Their advertisement in another column will be of interest to inventors, patentees, manufacturers and all who have to do with patents.

SAN FRANCISCO has a fruit cannery owned and operated by Chinese in which many white girls are employed. The sight of young American girls acting as servants to the despised coolie is hardly a pleasant one to contemplate. Yet, as one of the girls employed in the cannery said: "Work is very scarce in San Francisco; we girls are not in a position to decide how or where we shall earn money to support us. We are glad enough to get work at any place." It would seem that there is a chance for a little missionary work in San Francisco.—Oregonian.

The Huntington Herald justly comments on the above, as follows: "What is this great and glorious American Republic coming to? Is it possible that the poor unfortunate white girl is to be obliged to submit to the humiliation of accepting starvation wages from the heathen Chinese, because her white brother will not adopt some means by which she can earn an honorable living? No wonder that prostitution and depravity in their worst forms are so rapidly on the increase. No wonder that the young girl, pure as the lily by natural instinct and birth, is driven, through utter hopelessness and desperation, to cast away the jewel of her life and accept a fate which, though filled with all the horrors of Hades, seems preferable, to her, to poverty so wretched as that which daily confronts countless thousands throughout the large cities of this broad land of Liberty."

We think the American Eagle should come down from his high perch, and in disgust at our poor effort at self-government, take a back seat in the synagogue, vent his spleen and utter humiliation upon syndicates, money corporations and monopolists, whose insatiable thirst for gain, has led them to influence our law makers to such an extent as to put our circulating medium in the power, and under the direct control, of that set of vampires and leeches whose intelligence and small amount of brains is limited to the narrow and degrading, self-important state, of me and me only.

All In a Flurry.

There is great excitement here over the asbestos discovery on Evans creek, twenty miles above here, where the Union Pacific railroad crosses in the county, in sections 18 and 20, township 23 south, range 2 west. Twenty-eight locations filed for record in the county clerk's office yesterday. An enthusiastic mass meeting was held at Eagle Point this week for the purpose of raising a cash bonus of \$12,000 to extend the Rogue River Valley railroad to that place. Messrs. Honeyman, Fitch, Graham and Brown addressed the meeting and at its close \$1,000 was subscribed in the house. The railroad company sent a party, headed by Surveyor Howard, to locate the most practical pass across the Cascade mountains for an eastern extension.—Blade

Lincoln's Prophecy.

The prophecy made by President Lincoln in a letter to a friend near the close of the war is being circulated in printed form among the labor organizations of Chicago. After speaking of the struggle which was drawing to an end, Lincoln said:

"It has been a trying hour for the republic, but I see in the near future a crisis arising that unnerves me and causes me to tremble in fear for the safety of my country. As a result of the war corporations have been enthroned, an era of corruption in high places will follow, and the money power of the country will endeavor to prolong its reign, by working upon the prejudices of the people, until all the wealth is aggregated in a few hands and the republic is destroyed. I feel in this moment more anxiety for my country than ever before, even in the midst of war. God grant that my suspicions may prove groundless."

The Experienced Editor.

The general reader can easily distinguish by reading a newspaper whether the editor is of the green and callow class, or whether he has been through the mill, so to speak. If he is one of the former, his paper will bristle with attacks on this shortcoming or that neglect; on the idiosyncrasy of this one or the eccentricity of that one, and the word "gore" seems to be water-marked on every page. With the experienced editor it is different. He has rid himself of the idea that the reformation of the world is his especial work, and sufficient unto the day are the scars he now bears. He has learned that no man is without faults, and he believes that one line of praise is worth more than a column of blame in securing needed reforms. He vents no personal spites, nor engages in petty quarrels, and if he does strike at an abuse it is because it is demanded by the best interests of the public. There is yet another kind of editor—he who realizes his inability to interest his readers by legitimate news, and so tries to create a sensation by attacking prominent men in their weak points, but this sort of tactics never succeeds outside of the largest cities. In the smaller places, this editor is soon short on cadavers and character, and is forced to shut up shop.—News, Colorado Springs.

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