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## NEWS IN GENERAL.

FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD

### CHEAP KISSES.

#### How Ladies of a Church Tried to Pay Debts.

A lively row is in progress at Burns, a little town about twenty miles from Buffalo, N. Y., growing out of a new money making scheme introduced at a church social held there in the Lutheran church parlors. The church is heavily in debt and the ladies advertised a church social in the church to raise money to pay the preacher and buy some coal. The men of the congregation had all been seen and informed that the women had a big surprise for them. The men were out in full force and fairly packed the house. Across one end of the room was a curtain. For an hour the guests chatted after the old fashioned church social style. Then the curtain was suddenly withdrawn, there in a row stood six of the prettiest women in the congregation, blushing and smiling, each bearing upon their bosom a placard on which were the words: "You may kiss me for 25 cents." It was fifteen minutes before the device began to work but when it did the silver quarters fairly showered into the arms of the young ladies' circle. Old and young eagerly rushed to the front to exchange coins for kisses. The show lasted only a short time when the curtain was again drawn. Then the storm burst. The women were jealous of their husbands and a dozen or more family fights were started at once. Soon it was announced that the women would pose again in a short time. Then the angry women tore down the curtains and blew out the lights. A scramble for the door followed and for two hours the church members gossiped and fought on the sidewalks. They finally dispersed and a factional fight is the result. No services were held in the church last Sunday.—Ex.

#### How the Presents of Guatemala Remains in Office.

SAN SALVADOR, Guatemala, Feb. 24.—The shooting of General Miguel Enriquez at Zacapu, Guatemala, the other, has caused a great deal of bitter comment here, and started stories discreditable to President Barrillas. The account set out by the Guatemalan authorities was to the effect that Enriquez was one of the most prominent conservative candidates for the presidency, organized a revolt against the government, was defeated, and shot as a traitor. Widely different is the report that has reached this city from the opponents in Guatemala of the present administration. It is alleged by them that President Barrillas bore a personal spite toward Enriquez, and in revenge is-

sued secret orders that he be shot at his hacienda under the head that he was at the head of a revolutionary faction. The two brothers of General Enriquez were informed of what had been done, and, realizing that no time was to be lost, fled and joined him. The armed all the servants on the hacienda with shotguns and revolvers and resolved to sell their lives dearly. The government troops soon arrived upon the scene, and to their surprise met with a most desperate resistance. A regular battle followed. General Enriquez, his two brothers and two servants were killed and three more of their little party were wounded before the building in which they were entrenched was carried by the troops. How gallantly the Enriquez people fought is shown by the loss of the government forces of two officers and the killing or wounding of eleven soldiers. It is also rumored here that it would not be unexpected if Barrillas should dispose of all the presidential candidates in the same way, including General Reina Barrios. Salvador is perfectly quiet.—Evening Telegram.

#### Attacked by a Devilfish.

Seattle Telegraph, Feb. 11.—A monster octopus or devilfish so graphically described by Victor Hugo in his "Toilers of the Sea," adorned a hook in a fish stall on the Washington street wharf. The hook is driven high in the casing of the door, considerably higher than the height of a man, but the long, slimy tentacles or arms of the monster trail on the ground, tapering to a fine point. On the inside of the arms are the cup-like suckers, which, once fastened onto an object, have a bulldog like tenacity and are most difficult of removal. The fish weighs 45 lbs, and its arms measure ten feet or twenty feet from tip to tip. It is being kept until some Chinese, who consider the meat of the fish a great luxury, come along and purchase it.

The captors of the monster were fishermen, August Dupond and Joe Mithael, who had a hard battle before they succeeded in killing it. The men were coming up the bay Tuesday afternoon with a boat load of fish, pulling lazily away on the oars, when Dupond's blades fouled something in the water. The something proved to be the devilfish. Dupond raised his oar out of the water and the fish came with it. As it was raised above the surface one of the monster's long arms fastened onto the boat and in an instant it was half way into the craft and striking wildly at the occupants. Michael was struck on the arm by the monster, but he drew out a knife and cut the tentacle off. In the meantime Dupond seized a club used for knocking salmon on the head and killed the monster.

#### EIGHTY-TWO CHURCHES.

There are eighty-two separate churches in the city of Portland,

or one to every 1000 people. "That is a far better proportion," said a local divine to-day, "than is found in most cities of the East, and shows that while the metropolis of the Northwest may have a very large number of saloons and gambling houses their proportion to the population is not any greater than the houses of worship. They are remarkably well distributed over the city, too, so that no one section seems to favor more than the other. Standing on the front of the bluff in the City Park and looking down upon the city, one can pick them out in every few blocks. Their spires are seen everywhere."—Telegram.

#### The State of Washington Wants to Change Its Name.

The Tacoma News says: Some concerted movement should be taken by the people of this state toward changing its name, and that at once, for the confusion grows greater every day. No matter what the state is called—so long as it is not called Rainier. Call it Hamilton after the great Federalist, or Jefferson after the philosopher of the Revolution, or Lincoln or Jackson. Or give it some Indian name which will be characteristic and euphonious. The name should be changed, and it would be no difficult task to have it done. Certainly every day it is put off the change becomes more difficult, and it is exceedingly unpleasant to be forced to constantly explain that you do not live in the national capital, but in the new and glorious state which formerly was a part of Oregon.

Monday night as Mr. and Mrs. Morris were wrapped in the arms of morphine and slumbering peacefully, their slumbers were aroused rather unceremoniously by the intrusion of a giant fir tree into their peaceful household. It seems that near their residence, which is on the North Fork river, is quite a high mountain, upon which are growing several large fir trees. During the heavy wind of Monday night, one of these trees blew over and slid down the mountain side, striking one end of the house, and ran clear through it before this huge fir's locomotor was brought to a standstill. In passing through the house the tree passed under the bed in which Mr. and Mrs. Morrison were sleeping and completely demolished the bedstead, but, fortunately, the occupants were uninjured, the springs and mattresses on the bed raising them to a point a few inches above the course of the tree.—Florebee (Lane Co.) West.

#### ABE JONES' STORY.

The Jurors Disagree After Being Locked Up For Four Hours.

The trial of Abe Jones for the robbery of the United States mail between Redding and Alturas on October 17th last, was resumed before Judge Morrow yesterday, and

terminated in the evening with a disagreement with the judge.

The prosecution rested yesterday morning after recalling John Rice, Thomas R. Miles and George T. Hume.

Abe Jones, the defendant, then took the stand in his own behalf. His story was that during the period covering the two robberies on October 19th and 22d he was at his mother's or his brother's ranch. Jones said he left for Cederville on a visit to his mother, traveling, as testified by Jack Rice, with the latter in his vehicle. After remaining at his mother's ranch for three or four days he left for his brother's ranch in Lassen county, where he remained a week. At the end of that time he started back to his home, but his horse got away from him near Alturas, and he was traveling afoot on the road when he was overtaken by Rice and Howard in the wagon. Jones testified that since his arrest he has been without means to procure the attendance of witnesses who could prove his statement.

A peculiar thing, that was commented on by the district attorney, was the absence of William S. Thompson of Warner valley Oregon, to whom Jones first surrendered himself after the killing of his companion, Bill Howard. It was inferred from the attorney's cross examination of Jones, although the latter denied it, that the defendant had delivered himself into the custody of the rancher on condition that Thompson would divide the reward until after he was in custody.

Upon the conclusion of Jones' testimony Assistant United States Attorney Shurtloff summed up the case for the prosecution, and asked for a conviction.

Carroll Cook, for the defense, argued that the case was one purely of circumstantial evidence, and aside from the testimony of Jack Rice, himself a confessed accomplice, there was no evidence to contradict the statement of Jones that he was not present when Howard robbed the stage. Cook asserted that Howard and Jack Rice were the guilty parties.

The case was submitted to the jury at 5:30 o'clock, and after being locked up for nearly four hours, they announced that they were unable to agree.—S. F. Chronicle, Jan. 30th.

A little incident illustrative of the kindness of Queen Isabella is told of a Spaniard who had tried to take the life of the queen. The report that he was dying of hunger in Paris reached her.

"Send him 500 francs," she commanded.

"But your your majesty knows that this man is an assassin; that it is he who—"

"What difference does that make?" answered the queen. "You are absurd with your hatred and your ideas of vengeance. The unhappy man did not wish to kill me, but the party I represent. Go now, and do what I bid you."—Exchange.