

MRS. JONES.

"Nebby, the time has come and now is, when we women if you men won't do it, must take steps to reform this wicked lassivious town. Oh, the wickedness and onvirtuous demoralized condishun of this place is truly horryfying."

"Ah!" said Nebby, "what has come across your Christian horizon this good Christmas morning to excite your ire and cause such an outbreak of feelings such as would lead one to believe that our town is in the throes of licentiousness and immorality?"

"My Christian horizon, my ire and the throws of liserhsusness. Hem! Big words for a man to use when he don't want to acknowledge the truthfulness of his wife's virtuous indignation and charges against the male sex. Mr Jones, I prezume you are holly unacquainted with the goings on of many of your sex in our midst. What's your great city organization doing to impeded the progress of vice and check its wide spread and open violation of all decent, moral and respectable tendencies, which make better men and women? And to think you are squire of this jurisdiction, and allow such carryings on. You shut your eyes and stop your years, and are both blind and deaf to the true situashun and the appalling wickedness indulged in by men, even of family, and to such an extent as to make the very children blush for shame. Oh, you needn't shake your head as if you knew nothing of it, you do know, all of you men know and wink at it. How high on the ladder of moral standurd do you expect to be elevated by your wives and families, when in your midst men and some poor fallen women, men never fall, openly defy every moral and civil law of your town?"

"Sophie, your language is a puzzle to me, but many of your ways, sayings and doings always has been a puzzle to—"

"Bah!" interrupted Sophie; "sweet innocense. Lets see, what's that book called? Oh, yes, "Innocence Abroad," you're "Innocence at Home."—plead ignorunce, don't know the drift of my talking, or my Christian indeyor to compel wicked men and women to clime out of the slu of immorality, or leave this town. One of the two, Jones, one of the two must be done, we religious women are not going to allow a new year ushered in without making an effort to stop this example to our children and citizens, and more's the pity for you blind prevaricatin' junstabul men, who haven't the grit to help your wives in this laudable enturprize. Man born of woman is of few days and these few days he's sorely tried as how to act to please the majority and not make mad some one or some ones who is daily violating God's rightshus law. Man's mission on earth is to take all soft jobs and place the burdens, as far as possible, on the shoulders of their poor overworked and neglected wives."

"My dear Sophie, I do not see that you or any of the women of this town are so much in need of care and sympathy as your remarks would indicate."

"Don't 'dear' me. Are you or the town counsillmen or both going to aid us, or are you goin' to sit quietly by and suffer us to do the work and you git all the praise? 'T would be just like men. Hasn't the town bord got any audiences which can be enforced to stop this immorality?"

"Any audiences!" said Jones, "what do you mean by that expression? You must want to say ordinances."

"Well it's something writ on paper and stuck up for people to read. And I call it a heavy town bord and squire which fails to surpress the grossest lewd wantonness indulged in so openly as to be the town talk. Then talk of your intellagence, refinement and advancement! Such lingo is enough to make a chicken smile, and knock an apple off a Christmas tree."

"Sophie, what would you have us do?"

"What would we have you do? Great Scott and little Scootles! Man, have you lost your senses? Have you do? Why, be men and stop it; enforce your laws, for the decency of your town and your children. Drive from our midst as far as possible known evils so that you can look your wives and families in the face without shame. What can you meally mouthed goody men expect the good and virtuous women of the town to think of you? Not able to protect your families, your children, your town from the inroads of immorality sure to follow in the train of such open violation of the laws of common decency."

If the McKinleyites keep up their present money lick they will reach the bottom of their cash box before the other barrels are opened.

Present indications are that Southern delegates to the next republican National convention will be higher than ever, and quite as slippery.

Goy. Morton takes his candidacy for the republican nomination much more seriously than Boss Platt ever intended that he should.

No oath bound political organization has ever succeeded in this country, and when one does the republic will be in danger.

That it took Mr. Reed all that time to make up his mind about the membership of the House committees is very improbable; he was making up his mind on what assignments would be the most productive of Reed votes in the convention.

Will some kind republican editor tell us what the hard-working republican majority in the House has done since Congress met?

more to succeed Cameron in the Senate than it did to become Harrison's Postmaster General.

Those having bills against the republican National Committee heartily endorse the promptness of St. Louis in putting up the cash for its bid for the convention.

Whitelaw Reid is wintering in Arizona, but he will be in the reach of the republican National Convention next June, willing to be "vindicated."

Children of this land of the free, Sing not now of liberty; But of thee, O, bounteous Christmas tree.

O yes; republican editors will write miles of argument in favor of their candidate, and the expense of a national conyention will be incurred, but the candidate has already been named by the Quay-Platt Reed combine.

If some men—no need to call names—ever repeat the creed of the Church of England they must find themselves lingering upon the words "We have have done those things we should have left undone, and we have failed to do the things we should have done."

Mr. Ben Harrison has a goodly bank account, but the politician who can successfully pull his leg hasn't been found; he lets those who expects favors put up the cash.

There's so much "reform" in New York city that it is dangerous for a woman to walk the streets alone after dark.

"Reform" comes high to New Yorkers. It will cost just \$7,000,000 a year more for the "reformers" to run the town than it did for Tammany to do the trick.

Vice President Stevenson is right. England can only change the boundaries of Alaska by whipping the United States, and John Bull has had some experience in that line.

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