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AN EXTRA SESSION.

In response to numerous letters from Eastern Oregon asking Governor Penoyer to call an extra session of the legislature for the purpose of passing a law to stay the execution of judgments, the Governor has sent a letter to each of the representatives asking their view as to the advisability of such a session. Doubtless if such a law had been passed by the last legislature, it would have afforded relief to some parties whose property is now at the mercy of unscrupulous creditors. But we do not think it would be advisable to attempt to pass such a law at the present time. It would doubtless precipitate the very thing it was intended to prevent. Those having debts due them would bring action at once to try to obtain judgment before the law passed. As the law could not effect judgments already obtained, a call for an extra session now would have a tendency to cause some creditors to bring suit to collect their money who would not do so under the present law. In many instances, the creditors, who are the most persistent in pressing collections at the present time are the usurers; and if the debtors should take advantage of the usury law, it might prove a safeguard against such oppression.

GOLD AND SILVER.

The production of gold for the whole world is, of course, not accurately known, but the Director of the United States mint is accustomed to estimate it each year from the best statistics and information possible. So, also with silver. It is interesting to know the countries which are the chief contributors of metallic wealth. In 1891, at the head of the gold producers stood the United States, with \$33,000,000; second was Australia, with \$31,000,000; third came Russia, whose mines in the Ural Mountains have always furnished a considerable tribute, with \$24,000,000; fourth is Africa, with \$14,000,000; fifth is China, with \$5,000,000; sixth is the South American Republic of Columbia, with \$3,400,000; British India, comes next, with \$3,400,000. All the other countries are small contributors.

Of silver countries the United States stands at the head, with \$75,000,000; second is Mexico, with \$53,000,000; Bolivia is third with \$15,000,000; Australia is fourth, with \$13,000,000. There are no other large producers. Germany mines silver in the Hartz Mountains, celebrated in European literary demography, and stands fifth, with \$8,000,000. Chile produces \$3,000,000. Austria-Hungary, Spain and France each take out something more than \$2,000,000 annually, as do the combined Central American States. Russia, which is rich in gold and platinum, is credited with a pittance of \$500,000 of silver; while Mexico, which is one of the great silver producers, turns out only about \$1,000,000 in gold. All the Central American States in 1891 produced only \$150,000 in gold. The Argentine Republic, in South America, would, from its name, be taken for a rich silver State, but it is only credited with \$600,000 of silver and little or no gold.—New Orleans Picayune.

DIFFERENT THINGS.

The decision of the Behring sea tribunal of arbitration was handed down Tuesday. Five points of Article 6 are decided against the United States. The close season is established to begin May 1 and to continue until July 31. This close season shall be observed both in the North Pacific ocean and Behring sea. A protected zone is es-

tablished extending for sixty miles around the Island. Pelagic sealing is allowed outside the zone in Behring sea from August 1. The use of fire arms in sealing is prohibited. American arbitrators have expressed their satisfaction with the text of the decision. American arbitrators believe that the regulations decided upon by the tribunal mean practically an end of pelagic sealing and that they are better terms than were heretofore offered to the United States by Great Britain as a settlement of the question involved.

Jesus Christ Marie Antoine Garcia is a name that appears occasionally as a signature in the acknowledgment of deeds on the Benton county records says the Corvallis Times. Jesus is a county clerk out in Colorado, and if he isn't a great and good man it is no fault of his parents. He brought his name over from Spain, and that he smuggled it into the country is certain, for to pay duty on the whole thing would have bankrupted him and his government for all time. It is suggested to populists that if this name could be secured as a security on which to base an issue of silver certificates the financial problem would be solved.

A. Campbell's Testimony Vindicated Against Eld. Scoles.

Ed. Press: In your last issue the Press contains an article from Mr. Scoles as a reply, properly to A. Campbell, and not to Eld. Daisley. Mr. S. never replied to the questions I wrote, and he never will. The issue is between Scoles and A. Campbell. Mr. C's testimony is against the improper and unfair use Mr. S. made of the statement read in the tent. Scoles claimed that Campbell's language proved the binding force of the old covenant. Such statement cannot be found in any of Campbell's published works. When S. was asked to allow C. to speak for himself, he refused, therefore C. through the Press rebuked and arraigned Mr. S. as knowing ly breaking the 1st commandment. He now tries to "clear himself" but in his effort he still plunges further into the mire of historical ignorance. Candid reader please read A. C's statement carefully and see if his language even intimates that the ten commandments are now binding. The nearest it comes to it are in these words, "So reads the fourth principle of the everlasting ten." This I believe and teach as well as Mr. Campbell for the MORAL PRINCIPLES of the 4th command is rest which was from creation in God's purpose, and was enjoined upon the sons of Jacob to be observed by them only until the fulfillment in Christ, Col. 2:16. Who cannot see that the moral principle of the 4th command is rest here, and everlasting hereafter. But the letter the command to rest on the 7th day has ceased, "is done away" ended on the cross, but the principle which is proper rest is still in force and is observed by all Christians on the first day of the week, the Lord's day. The same may be truly said with respect to the whole ten commands. The letter is done away, but the spirit or principle is still in force; these great eternal principles, that constitute the unchanging and perfect law of God, and not the commands. The mistake Scoles and his class makes is they are resting in the letter, the commanded works of law, instead of the spirit, which always was and is right without any command. This Scoles can't see that the spirit could exist without the letter. I have this in black and white at his own consent. Now let us see if he honestly represents Mr. C. in his alleged quotations from his lectures. He says: "He once believed and accepted the ten commands as the everlasting ten." Is this statement found in the quotation? Of course not. He therefore willingly represents his language. You see he carefully omits the word, principle the word which gives point and pith and sheds light on the whole statement. "So reads the fourth principle of the everlasting ten," quote him correctly and all is clear.

He further says, A. C. called the ten commands the great moral law of God. See how unfair, and warped and mistaken he is. Now, listen to A. C's testimony. My objection to denominating the ten precepts 'the moral law represents itself to the reflecting mind that all morality is not contained in them. For doctores in divinity tell us the first table respects our duty to God, the second our duty to man. Why, then call the ten commands 'the moral law,' seeing but six of them are moral? Are the immoralities called drunkenness, fornication, polygamy, divorce, etc., prohibited in them?" Scoles again says, "He afterwards rejected this according to Mr. D's quotation." Charity says S. was napping when he wrote that sentence, such a thought never entered my head, nor even hinted in anything I wrote. Scoles says, A. Campbell afterwards rejected this and became an Antinomian. "It is unpleasant to expose anyone who is

so unguarded as the writer seemingly is. The above statement is baseless and contemptible, without the least shadow of evidence and clearly shows that his Sabbath keeping has not refined his better nature, but such is the cold crude spiritless teaching of 7th dayism. How narrow must be the man to think that A. C. rejected the principles of right and duty to God and man, which is to love God, and your neighbor as yourself, and thus became an Antinomian. What is an Antinomian? According to Webster "they who hold doctrine which supersede the necessity of good works and a virtuous life." So Luther Williams Wesley and all in every age who lived "under the law of Christ" are classed with a low vile sect, who disregarded moral law and a virtuous life.

This comes with but little grace from a man who believes God has sent him to proclaim the third angel's message. But not contented with this he places him and his followers with Saul, a reprobate and Judas, the traitor. This is the fruit which the preachers of the 7th day Advents bear, from such a spirit good Lord deliver us. Mr. Scoles says, "And what he may have written afterwards does not render untrue that which he wrote before. Here S. speaks with authority, but it's with the thunder made in "Battle Creek," another evidence he is in the dark. Mr. C. please give Mr. S. a little historical information in regard to what you first wrote. "Well, I arrived in Wash, Pa. 1809, preached my first sermon 1810, was baptized 1812, preached for the six churches organized by my father.

With these churches we united with the Baptist 1815. I was appointed to deliver the opening address in the Baptist Association; this sermon was on "The Law" Sept 1st 1816. This is my first written sermon and was made the ground of impeachment and trial for heresy, which resulted in our withdrawal from the Baptists 1819 established Buffalo Academy taught a few years aided by my father 1823, the Christian Baptist was established through which he became famous as a reformer and spiritual educator. A. C. had no popular prestige until about this time. Betheny college was not founded until 1841. The reformatory truths expressed in that sermon he contended for till death; and yet Mr. S. has the brazen audacity of a Jewish pope to say that "he once accepted the ten commandments as the great moral law of God." Once for all let me say that the sermon "The Law" in 1816 is first and last without change. After hearing this evidence I still insist if you are a Christian, make an honorable confession to the public of the charges you alleged against me.

I now hand you over to Mr. Daisley. Mr. S. says he is a Christian in truth and obeys his Lord's command in Ex 20. Well, Mr. S. if true why not be circumcised and keep the Passover, these are commands of your Lord back in Ex 13. You are a christian indeed, if the everlasting ten are binding, every jot and tittle of the Sabbath law and its requirements must be observed. You say a part won't do, "if I call myself a christian and do not keep all the commands, I bring upon myself condemnation." Well, Mr. S. you are surely under condemnation for you don't keep all the commands. Let us see. Do you offer the burnt offering of every Sabbath? "Worship at the door of the gate." Ye shall gather no sticks on the Sabbath "kindle no fire" bear no burden on the Sabbath. "Whoever doeth any work shall be put to death" children, servants, and cattle must rest. "You shall neither bake nor boil." "Every Sabbath breaker must be stoned to death." Does the Sabbath law remain in force. Then its penalties too, and if so why don't you keep your Lord's commands. You say not one jot or tittle of it is to pass away, of the ten commands then it includes the Sabbath law. Do you hear what the law saith. "Cursed is every one who continueth not in all things written in the book of the law to do them." Gal 3:13. If your mind was not warped, you could see that, John 2:4. has no reference to God's commands through Moses, you can't see that Jesus gave any commands, all the commands are the ten commands. Oh no! The ten commands contains the Sabbath, the commandment of God and the law of Christ by the Apostles do not.

He can't see the law of Christ "embodies all the moral principles of the old law, that Christ's new law of 'faith' and 'love' is greatly superior to the old law and sin and death. Oh no; nothing can equal the ten commandments. If they were done away with there would be nothing left. Such language is enough to astonish any person. It is practically saying "We are Moses disciples, but as for this fellow (Christ) we know from whence he is."

Now I need not say in conclusion, that of all the hideous monstrosities that have bedrode the human mind have a working nightmare, and a black pale of death, this monstrous delusion is without a parallel. J. B. DAISLEY.

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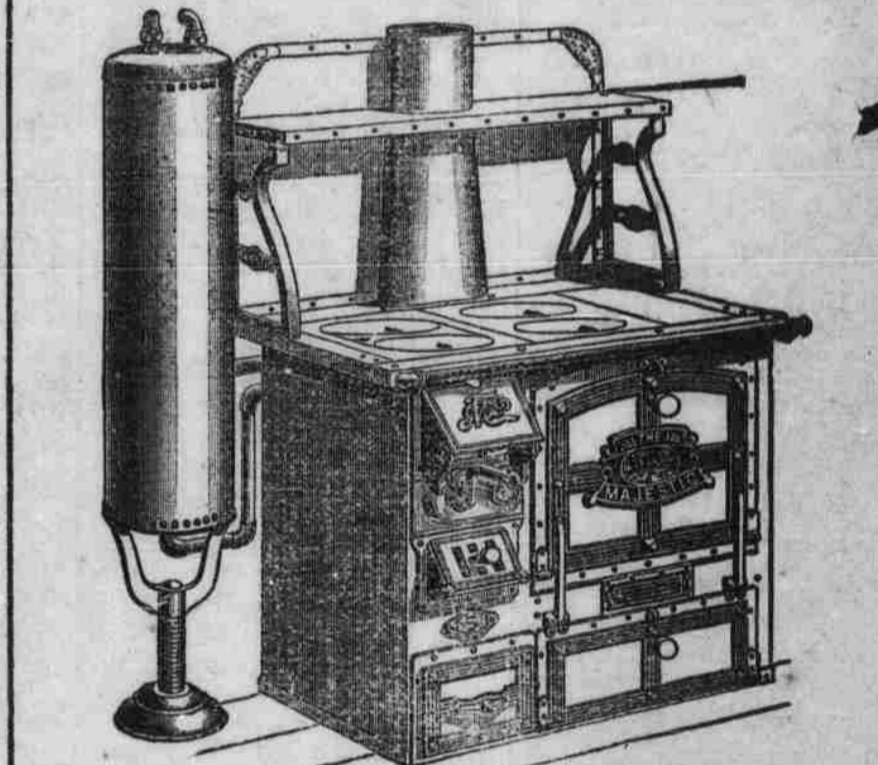
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