

Lebanon Express.

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Editor - and - Proprietor

Both political parties in New York are coquetting with the so-called moral element in politics, which element is not strong enough to materially help either one. No party can succeed, in New York City, that tries to keep, on Sunday, the Irishman from his whisky and the German from his beer.

Durrants trial has trailed its slimy length along for many weeks and the lovers of sensation have had the chance of their lives. There are many lessons to be learned from this trial—not the least of which is, that young ladies should not permit themselves to be enticed even into a church at odd hours of the day and night, even though their escort be an assistant Sunday school teacher. Had Blench Lanont's home training been proper, she would never have gone into that fatal church and would probably be alive today. The law can't catch and confine all such lecherous demons as Durrant, but mothers can so educate their daughters so that they will never put themselves into the power of such men. The fault is not in the law, but in the family training of the youth of this land, who are not sufficiently taught to respect and admire virtue, nor to dread and abhor its loss and untold evils that follow in its wake.

Portland is still engaged in a war, more useless than a race-war, and far more destructive to the well-being of society. Teachers in the public schools of this great city are hired or fired, more with reference to the particular religious creed to which they are attached, than by their peculiar fitness or unfitness for the responsible duty of training the minds of the youth of that city. The papers—even the Oregonian—keep the strife up by cutting allusions to the actions of the board of directors. Better elect a board that cares nothing about the religion of its employees, but much for their attainments. The law forbids the teaching of any religion in any public schools. Enforce this law, and let the teachers be Protestants or Catholic, Jew or Infidel. Let the parents at home and the Sunday schools furnish the desired religious training. It is too much to expect a child to learn any kind of religion every day in the week and Sunday too.

The Turks and Armenians are fighting. The latter will undoubtedly be destroyed, unless some other country intervenes. The Turks have long opposed the Armenians, inflicting upon them unmentionable indignities. The difference in their respective religions, fired by heathenish superstition, is the cause. It seems that civilization has made but poor progress, since every continent harbors men and women, slaughtering each other because they are seeking eternal bliss by different paths. The same spirit of intolerance, that induces the heathen to butcher the unbeliever, pervades the civilized world and causes a continual strife, equally as bitter, if not so bloody. Civilization owes much to Christianity, but the religions of the world owe an enormous debt of gratitude to civilization, in that the weak of religionists of the world are today, and have been for centuries, protected from his stronger brother by the powerful arm of the law. Our zealous religionists are alike the world over, ever ready to prosecute his weaker brother—in heathendom, by slaughter and robbery; in civilized America, by slanders and boycotting. Each inflicts upon the weaker all the pains that circumstances will permit, and nothing but the strong arm of the law prevents the bigoted Protestant from forcing upon the Catholic the belief of the Protestants, and vice versa. This much we owe to those rights guaranteed by the constitution.

Gov. Lord, the giver of all good things to the Republicans of Oregon, is getting some hard hits from those to whom nothing was given, but who expected much. As the number who have pulled at the pap, is far in excess of the number who have tasted of the sweet lacteal fluid, so on the day of political judgment many will rise up to down the Governor.

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Final Account.

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned executor of the estate of Moses Bland, deceased, has filed, with the clerk of the county court of Linn county, Oregon, his final account in the above named estate; and that the judge of said court has fixed Monday, the 4th day of November, 1903, at 11 o'clock a. m., of said day, at the county court room of said county, as the time and place for hearing objections, if any there be, to said account and the settlement of said estate.

GEORGE H. BLAND,
Executor of estate of
of Sept. 1903. Moses Bland, de'd.

Atty. for Executor.

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Statistics Show That We Are Learning to Address Letters More Accurately.

The number of pieces of dead mail matter received at the dead-letter office during the fiscal year 1903 was 7,131,927, an increase over the receipt of the previous year of 340,847 pieces, or a little more than 5 per cent. This increase of undelivered matter, according to the Albany Press and Knielebocker, is less than the per cent. of increase of matter mailed, as shown by the statistics of other branches of the postal service, and would seem to indicate more care on the part of the people in addressing their letters, as well as increased vigilance on the part of postmasters to secure proper delivery.

The number of pieces treated in the dead-letter office, including those on hand from the previous year, was 7,330,038. These were classified as follows: 5,408,945 were ordinary unclaimed letters; 294,445 were addressed to persons in the care of hotels; 218,150 were mailed to foreign countries and returned by the various postal administrations as undeliverable; 50,941 were addressed to initials or fictitious persons, and 7,106 were domestic registered letters. There were 633,957 pieces of mail matter of foreign origin, and 183,050 were ordinary letters without inclosures, which had once been returned by the dead-letter office to addresses contained therein, and, failing of delivery, were again sent to the dead-letter office for final disposition.

The number of letters classed as un-mailable comprised 1,144, containing articles which were not transmissible in the mails; 93,234 were either entirely unpaid or paid less than one full rate, and could not, therefore, be forwarded; 460,832 were either deficient in address or addressed to places not post offices or to post offices which had no existence in the state named, and were classed under the general head of "Mis-directed"; 35,018 were without any address whatever, and 2,940 were classed as "Miscellaneous." There were also received 80,346 unclaimed and un-mailable parcels of third and fourth-class matter.

ANARCHISTS ARE VAIN.

Nothing Pleases Them More Than to Get Their Pictures Published.

M. Lepine, the French minister of police, thinks vanity has a good deal to do with the anarchist craze, says the London News. That is why he begs the papers not to publish the portraits of men who are arrested for being concerned in bomb-throwing and other offenses of the kind. "I consider that all the anarchists," says M. Lepine, "have a mental twist, although I do not class them as madmen. But it is noticeable that there is in them a desire for theatrical display that must not be encouraged. They have a very high opinion of themselves, and are much concerned with regard to what is being said about them. Whether they are at a public meeting or in a prison cell, they always keep their eyes upon the public. See what happened at Montbrison, at the execution of Ravachol. As prefect of the Loire at that time, I had to take charge of that anarchist. He had written an abominable song which he hoped to be able to sing on his way from prison to the place of execution, before a great crowd. I upset his calculation by having the guillotine fixed at a distance of only a couple of paces from the prison. When he found he would be without an audience, his fortitude forsook him. All who were present will tell you that he collapsed so utterly that he was, as it were, dead before the knife fell."

FACTS ABOUT GREENLAND.

Wonderful and Impressive Scenery—Great Rivers Flowing Under the Ice.

A lecture on Greenland was given in London not long ago by Clements Markham. His history of the early discoveries included the voyage of Eric the Red.

Hall was the first Englishman who laid his bones on the shore of Greenland.

In 1721 Hans Egede, the apostle of the Esquimaux, landed in Greenland.

It has been found impossible to penetrate for any distance into the vast interior. The natives believe it to be inhabited by enormous and malignant beings.

It is 330,000 square miles in extent, the whole being a mass of ice. A Danish professor in 1820 made his way for thirty miles inland and described the scene he saw.

There is nothing but a white world supporting a blue vault. From far below one's feet there comes the moaning noise, the voice of rivers flowing far beneath.

Occasionally there are loud reports from the opening of the cleft, a vast mass of water pierces its way in the ice down to the underlying granite itself for thousands of feet.

At thirty miles from the coast the height above the sea was 2,300 feet and the ice was still rising.

A wonderful sight is that of the colossal rivers, deep and broad, which flow between tall blue banks, and pour at the end of their course down a cleft with a mighty cascade, which is conspicuous from a distance from a cloud of mist which always hangs above it.

On the strips of the land near the coast the Greenland flora, though scanty, is very pleasant to the eye. Vegetation covers the ground in thick masses, forming turf in the level places, while it fills the chinks and crannies of the rocks and creeps over the surface of the stone, giving a bright appearance to the land in summer.

Hits of Advice.

Don't wait for the wagon while the walking is good.

Don't grieve over spilt milk while there's one cow left in the pasture.

Don't say the world is growing worse when you are doing nothing to make it better.

Don't tell the world your troubles. You can't borrow ten dollars on them.

Don't let the grass grow under your feet. The cows can't get at it there—Atlantic Constitution.

Final Account.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of John M. J. Lovell, deceased, has filed his final account in the above named estate, with the clerk of the county court of Linn county, Oregon, and the court has fixed Saturday, the 12th day of October, 1903, at 11 o'clock a. m., at the county court room, at Albany, Linn county, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing objections, if any, to said account and the settlement of said estate.

J. H. LOVEALL,
Adm'r.
This 2nd Sept., 1903.
SAM'L M. GARLAND,
Atty. for Adm'r.

Administratrix's Notice.

Notice is hereby given, that by order of the county court of Linn county, Oregon, the undersigned has been duly appointed and is now the duly qualified acting administratrix of the estate of W. A. Bishop, of said county, deceased. All parties having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, to the undersigned, within six months from the 12th day of July, 1903, the first publication of this notice, at the office of Sam'l M. Garland, Lebanon, Oregon.

HANSAR E. BISHOP,
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