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TELEGRAPHIC.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 24 .- The Porte has agreed to prolong the suspendon of hostilities eight days, and express the hope that the powers during the 'ime will communicate the conditions of the which they propose.

FALMOUTH, Eng., Sept. 24.—A erican bark Norway put in here in con- nence of damage received in a collision on Saturday night with the bark Wage Queen, belonging to Shoreham. One saman was killed on board the Norweast; only one person is known to have been saved from the Wave Queen, which disap-

MELBOURNE, Sept. 24 .- The Dardinang, from Melbourne to Sydney, oundered near Jarvis bay during a hurricane on the 11th instant. Sixty of her passengers and crew were drowned."

MADRID, Sept. 25-The Spanish revenue officers taken prisoners by the lont of the British man of-war Saraman; on the 16th inst., at the time of the veap-ture of the trading ship which is taken by a Singuish suttering

authorities in consequence of the protest of the Spanish Consul. A paper of this city urges that indemnity be demanded for their illegal detention.

LONDON, Sept. 25,-The News says John O'Connor Powers, member of parliament for Mayo county, etc., has resigned as member of the executive committee of started for the United States, bearing the tennial of American independence, which he and Charles Stewart Harnell, Home Practices in the Courts of Washing- Rule member for Meath, have been delegated to present to President Grant.

A dispatch from Vigo, dated Satur day, says Tweed and his companion, Hunt, are not aware that the Franklin is coming here to embark them for the United States.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 22,-The disinfection of Chinatown has already brought to light sickening scenes of filth, disease and misery. At one locality in the notorious Bull Run alley, in a room about six feet square, and hardly highenough to permit a tall man to stand straight, were found lying on the floor, covered with vermin, the bodies of two Chinese, of the dead and wounded robbers. After the first day of last October. By the while between them the sole living ten-

The following Territorial Central Com-

ger lying in his lap, about noon, at 1839 Sansome street. Deceased had evidently been dead for several days,

The trial of Edward Bittenbender, a Kearney streets, about a year ago, came near Renton, and they report favorably on to-day in the Fourth District Court, It is claimed by the friends of Edward plan net only feasable, but one that will that he is the victim of hereditary insanity, which will probably be his defense.

CHICAGO, Sept 26.—The Tibune's Washington special says the Republican Congressional Committee to-day received the following dispatch:

ABERDEEN, Miss., Sept. 26.—Republican meeting at Oktebbet was broken up last night and four regroes killed and several wounded, by Democrats.

EVANLVILLE, Ind., Sept 24.-Two successive shocks of earthquake were distinetly felt in this city at 12 o'clock tonight. They were so heavy that the alarmwas general throughout the whole city. People left their beds, buildings were shaken and chandaliers broken. The first impression was that it was a boiler explosion. No serious damage was done as far as ascertained.

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 24.—An attempt harbor, have been released by the British Bank in this city by three men, as yet unknown. When the watchman, Sam. Louis, called at the bank, about 9 o'clock this evening, he was seized, gagged, handcuffed and placed in the rear room on a bed. A short time after a young brother of the watchman came to the bank by appointment, having arranged to spend the night there. His coming alarmed the the Home Rule confederates, and has burglars, and they escaped by leaping out of the windows. An alarm was im-Irish congratulatory address on the Cen. mediately given and the men pursued. Lieut, Cronin of the police encountered them, when they fired upon him, wounding him seriously in two places. The men then crossed the river to Alleghany, the police in hot pursuit, but up to this evening they were not secured. It seems that entrance was gained to the bank by cutting through the hall-way partition. Early in the evening preparations were made to go to work on the safe after disposing of the waschman, whose arrival they seemed to have awaited.

Sr. Paul, Minn., Sept. 25 .- The chief police of St. Louis, and a member of the police force there, and C. R. Hannan, Superintendent of the United States Express Co., arrived here this morning for the purpose of establishing the identity Roland, for three years, to commence on who had died of a lingering disease; examining the dead body of the man

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The following Territorial Central Com
mittee was elected: A. J. Cain and
Coleman has made arrangments for the
manufacture in this city of a number of
passenger cars, to be placed on the Seatthe and Walla Railroad. Instead
of making them after the usual plan of
narrow gauge cars, that is with single
plaintiff dismissed his suit.—Intelligencer.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept, 25 .- A man sears, they will be constructed on the named Pierce, a ship carpenter, was model of regular broad gauge cars, with found dead, sitting in a chair, with a double seats each side the central passage pistol wound in his head and a derrin- way, only shortening the benches, and narrowing the benches to accomodate them to the track.

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THE NEW ROUTE,-Messrs, Shattuck and Taylor have just returned from an young man about 20 years of age, who inspection of the route for the proposed deliberately shot and killed his brother line of railroad from the Scattle coal George on the corner of Washington and mine to intersect the S. & W. W. R. R. upon the project. They considered the result in eminent advantage to the company. The route is good and the grade will be easy, the chief obstacle in the way being the heavy timber. The surveying party are now on the route, and will soon have the lines surveyed. We are informed that as soon as this branch line is completed, the company will abandon the old route via Lakes Washington and Union and use the new road in the transportation of their freight.

> BURGLARY .- The Jewelry store of Mr. Chas. Nether was robbed, last Monday night, of tools and goods valued at over \$400. The burglar effected an entrance through a pain of glass, which he broke out. He was seen in the act of breaking the glass by Mr. Osborne, who was passing along on the opposite side of the the street, and when he saw him the thief ran away; but it appears that he afterwards returned, and carried out his approved another of plumus. After disposing of the articles which he get from the store some of which he buried in the sawdust in the rear of a building on Washington street, and some in a bed at his lodging house, and concealing the rest on his person, he was caught by officer Thorndike in the act of stealing a trunk, and was subsequently arrested He resisted the officer desparately, but Thorndike was more than a match for him and finally succeeded in lodging him in jail. He was brought before Justice Scott yesterday, and after a bearing was committed to await the action of the next grand jury.

IMPORTANT SUIT .- There was a suit tried at Port Townsend last week, Dennisen & Blanchard and I. M. Hall for plaintiff, D. P. Jenkins for detendant, in which was involved, among other questions, that of the proper manner of executing leases of real estate under the laws of this Territory, and as the decision is of more than ordinary interest to our readers, we give sufficient of the case to show the ruling of the court. In July, 1875, Samuel Tingley entered into a contract and made a lease of his farm, being a part of the Swinomish flats, to Owen while between them the sole living tenant of the hovel was engaged in cooking and eating his dinner. One case of smallpox has been already unearthed in that detestable quarter, and enough has been found to warrant the vigorous measures now being taken. Disenfection will be pushed rapidly and as thoroughly as possible.

VANCOUVER, Sept. 23.—The Democratic Convention made the following Territorial nominations: Delegate to Congress, J. P. Judson; Prosecuting Attorney First District, H. T. Canton; Prosecuting Attorney First District, H. T. Canton; Prosecuting Attorney First District, C. Lancaster; prosecuting Attorney Third District, W. H. White.

Examining the dead body of the man killed at Madelia, they without hesitation pronounced it that of Charles Pitts, and from photographs are satisfied that of Charles Pitts, and from photographs are satisfied that those killed at Northfield were Bill Chadfield and Clem Miller. The prisoners they identified as Cal Younger, Bob Younger and Al Carloy, a notortous Texas as desperado.

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The Religion of Evolution.

PRAYER.

A DISCOURSE Preached at the Charch of the Unity, gain a harbor of safety. Boston. -BY

REV. M. J. SAVAGE.

Lord, teach us to pray.-Lake 11:1. Nevertheless, not as I will, but as thou wilt.-Matt. 26:29.

The place which prayer holds in the popular thought, the controversy in regard to it, and the consequent doubt and confusion-these make it a topic of the first importance both to the understanding and the heart. To glance at its origin and development, and then to study the popular beliefs in the light of modern knowledge, and so, if possible, to gain a position both rational and devout-this is my present purpose.

I have shown you that the early objects of human worship were not persons to be loved. The gods of the childhood of the world were beings who filled the souls of men with dread. The first altars were built by fear, and the first prayers were deprecations, pleas and entreaties intended to ward off impending ill. It was common among the early tribes to worship the spirit of their ancestor, who was supposed to watch over his descendants and to hold their fortunes in his hand. This worship did not spring from any special love or veneration; but they believed that their tribal founder was jealous of his memory and bonor, and that if they did not keep alive his name and his worship he had both the power and the disposition to do them incalculable harm. So their altars and their prayers were only a sort of tribute paid to keep their god in good humor, and so to buy his favor and protection.

And a similar idea prompted the aboriginal worship of the forces of nature. The forces and movements that pressed most closely upon them were those of hunger and cold and storm, forces that hurt them, and of which they stood in continual fear. Thus their prayers were not at all in the nature of loving communion, as of a child with father or mother. They did not love their gods, nor care for their friendship or fellowship for its own sake. They only stood in dread of what the gods might do, and thought it the safest way to keep on as good terms with them as possible. So their worship took on a sort of commercial aspect. They thought to buy favors, or, at least, freedom from injury, as one would put a bribe into the hands of an unjust judge, or purchase with a gift the good will of an irresponsible despot. When they went out to war against their enemy they first sought the altars or temples of their god, endeavored to learn his disposition in the matter, appealed to his ambition as against the honor that the enemies' god might gain if he did not show himself the stronger; they promised special worship and offerings if they came back victor and then after the battle they came and hung their trophies in his temple and ascribed to him the praise of their conquest. You find ideas like these even among the Hebrews. Moses is represented as appealing to the pride and ambition of Jehovah. Weary with the obstinacy and obtuseness of Israel, Jehovah threatens to destroy them. Then Moses pleaded with him, and says. Only think how Egypt and her gods will exult, if, after leading thy people into the wilder by the knowledge that another line, ness, thou leavest them to perish, as that has no proprietor's wife to pray though thou was not able to lead them for it, has lost less ships in thirty on to the conquest of the Promised years than it has. And, besides, were Land. And the plea prevailed, and the this all true, insurance companies would people were spared.

The old-time gods were accustomed to pray to each other; for as each had his es in America have ceased praying for department of the world, if he wished to rain; though still the annual Fast is apgain any end beyond his control, he pointed, and is supposed to have some must do it through the favor of the deity in command. Æneas and his fol- people. lowers are on their way from Troy to Italy, when Juno, who is their enemy

sends a messenger to see that the storm regular working. is allayed and the ships are permitted to

and the work of prayer.

All through mediaval Christianity simple or convent had its special tutelary saint; and to him, as to a favorite at court, their petitions were addressed. not the all-present, watchful father. cessors and friends at the heavenly court. And even to-day throughout Romish Christendom the great majority of prayers go up to the saints and to Mary, whose tender mother-heart is supposed their requests. And a thought like this last seems to be infecting all Protestantism. The Bible nowhere gives countenance to making Jesus the object of prayer; and most intelligent and thoughtful writers oppose it as unscriptual and wrong. But in the popular mind the Father has come very largely to represent the law, while Jesus is the embodiment of the loving and saving god, and thus to him the tenderness and love of all hearts turn; and to him are addressed the pleadings and the prayers of the anxious and fearful souls.

The common idea of prayer to-day is, in the main, that of the ancient heathen world. As I have many times heard it from the lips of a prominent evangelist, "Prayer is the power that moves the arm that moves the world." It is supposed that by it God can be prevailed on to do many things he otherwise would not. Stillingfleet, an old English writer, says, "Prayer is supposed a means to change the person to whom we pray." It is believed to have power to bring to pass the things prayed for all over the

Within a few years in Scotland the whole church was ordered to hold a service of fastening and prayer for delivercattle. Only a year or two since the whole church of England was holding a special service for the recovery of the Prince of Wales, who was sick. Muller, in his "Life of Trust," claims that he has established, and that he constantly supports, an immense orphan-house simply by prayer. He seems entirely to overlook the fact that such a claim, continually republished and kept before the popular mind, is the most ingenious and effective kind of advertising possible. It is a perpetual appeal and prayer to the popular sympathy and help. To one who at all appreciates the springs that move the popular heart and the popular imagination, there is nothing strange about it. Dr. Cullis here in Boston makes a similar claim concerning his Cousumptives' Home. And yet hardly an institution in the city is more persistently advertised. He also has his troops of children travelling all over the State, visiting the churches, and exciting the popular interest in the piety and the wonder of the work he is doing. In one of his books of sermons, Mr Talmage ascribes the remarkable success and safety of a certain line of ocean steamers to the fact that the wife of one of the head-probe an importenence as well as an uscless outlay of money. Most of our churchinfluence on the general welfare of the

Now, all of these illustrations simply point out and illustrate the popular beand wishes their destruction, goes to, lief that prayer is able to induce God to Eolus, the god of the winds, and by a produce certain definite result in the natcondescending appeal to his pride and ural world that would not take place exfriendship, and by the promise of a mag- cept for the prayers. You will notice, nificent gift, she persuades him to let also, that this whole conception of the loose his winds and raise a tempest on nature and office of prayer implies that the sea, so that the Trojan fleet may be God is a person outside of, and separate to New Orleans, and the saints of the

erance; and the king of the Olympians with and change the method of their and destroy his army. Not being given

Along with the progress of civilization and the growth of scientific knowledge Such were the early ideas of the place of the world there is growing a wide spread doubt as to whether prayer has any such power, or produces any such ilar ideas prevailed. Each city or peo- results. Whether for good or evil, whether well-founded or ill-founded, this doubt is a fact. It is a doubt that touches and paralyzes the arm of the church He was supposed to have influence in itself. The ordinary prayer-meeting is heaven, and to look after their peculiar not attended in any such way as indiand personal wants. God, to them, was cates a vital belief that it has power to convert the heathen, to save the hus-They thought they needed special inter-bands, brothers, fathers, of its supporters. People go from a sense of duty, or as they feel inclined; and if it is made a sort of lecture, and the lecturer is interesting, then the room will be full. But if men believed that it was really a powto be most easily touched and moved at er to move God to their wills, how could they excuse their negligence? The constant appeal and devices of the minister to get even church members to come show how little real faith they have in it Let us, then, inquire whence this

doubt springs, and whether it can be justified. There are certain great difficulties in the way of holding the traditional faith that press very hard on

thoughtful minds,

1. Prayers for changes in the natural course of things, so far as we can ordinarily see, are not answered. This is so generally admitted that I have often heard ministers tell their people that they prayed as though they did not expect to get anything; and that probably nothing would be so much of a surprise and astonishment to them as to find their requests granted. Now, people in that state of mind cannot have received what they asked for very often, And, for my part, I cannot be particularly surprised that they do give up looking for it. "I have been praying for the conversion of such an one twenty years, and he is not converted yet," said a noted minister. Is it strange that people ask, "What, then, is the use of prayer?" But it is said, more prayers are not answered because people do not ance from a severe disease among the pray in then. So the mediums tell us that the sennce is not successful because sceptics are in the circle. But, if the spirits are in earnest, way do they not astonish and confute the sceptics by of fering facts that would compel belief And if God really wishes to answer human prayers, in the ordinary sense, why dees he not astonish his listless children with answers so that they cannot help

> It is this last rational thought that gave life to the recent celebrated " Prayer gauge" controversy in England. And if prayer is a real and definite power for the healing of the sick I see nothing irrational or impious in the test that was proposed. In the Old Testament God is represented as complying with mans suggested conditions so as to demonstrate his presence and power. Has be changed, so that he is not willing to do it now?

believing ?

A few days since the newspapers re ported the miraculous cure of a sick woman as the result of Dr. Cullis's prayer. If true, why is not the road to Grove Hall thronged with the lame, blind and diseased going to be healed Why does he keep his "Home" at all, at an enormous expense that might be used in other beneficent ways? Cure them prietors, makes each ship, as it starts all, and then travel the country as the from port, the subject of a special prayer. universal healer. I have it from a man This theory is slightly interfered with who was a relative that Joe Smith, the Mormon prophet, healed a child of a chronic disease by the laying-on of hands. There is evidence to prove that Our Lady of Lourdes is continually curing her devotees. And a large mass of proof can be brought to show how the bones of saints and bits of the true cross have always exerted such power.

The simple tacts are these: Talmage prays for his wife and she gets well. to be kind and hopeful to the wayward Another man, presumably as pious as he, prays for his wife and she dies. A third man's wife gets well although she is not prayed for. The laws of health and dis ease work all over the world and produce their proper and natural results; and, so far as we can settle by the evidence, the praying or not praying has nothing to do with it. Gen. Butler goes destroyed. At the same time Venus from natural forces and laws, who, at region pray that "Yellow Jack," as they either not remember, or will not care, to

goes to Jupiter and begs for the deliv- the request of man, comes in to interfere call the prevalent fever, may waste away be decently kind and regardful of the to piety he does not pray against it. But, having a sense of natural cause and effect, he looks after the sanitary condition of the city, and "Yellow Jack" postpones his annual visitation,

2. Superadded to this doubt growing out of observed facts, is the essentially modern doubt that has its root in the growing knowledge of the reign of law. There is growing up an irresistible be lief, based in facts that can be verified, that this universe is one ruled by law and order. Cause and effect are so intimately linked together that the slightest movement of the world's affairs to-day is a link in a chain that stretches back into a past eternity. The glance of a ray of this morning's rising sun, the tremble of a twig in the wind, the form of the smoke wreath that hovered above your chimney and then melted out of sight, the curl of a wreath of mist that floats on a mountain's top, the eddy of the little cloud of dust that the windgust whirls across the street-these all are as much a part of the fixed and determined order of the world as Mont Blane is a fixed and definite peak in the Alps. And to change the mist-form or the wind-current were as much a miracle as to hurl Mont Blanc with its roots upprayer that asks that this day's weather may be changed, even to the blottingout of one cloud, or the adding or taking away one rain-drop, asks so stupendous a thing as that the whole order of creation from the beginning may be changed to suit the whim or convenience of an hour.

3. Then, again, the common belief is rendered absurd by the contradictory prayers of men. You pray for a bright day, that your excursion down the harbor may be pleasant, or that your hay may dry in the field. Another mau prays for rain, that his parched potato field may be revived. Which will God hear? One prayer at least must be denied. Two ships at sea. One wishes an east wind, and the other a west. Others want neither east nor west. Br. Bushnell once suggested that the majority prayer would win. A very large and very plous crew would seem to be a necessity, then, so that they might outpray the other ship. When you look at it in this way, it comes to look as though these prayers, instead of being piety, might very easily come to be the quintessence of selfishness. Isn't it quite as well to leave God to look after the general good and not think to tense him into the favoritism of neglecting the common interest, that may demand dry weather, for sake of watering your flower-garden? Heaven has larger interests on hand than the making of itself your private watering pot. It looks very much like the little boy who wanted the captain to stop the ship be-

cause he had lost his apple overboard. But a stronger objection than all these God is indeed perfectly powerful, wise and good, it becomes the worst of all neglect the smallest interest of any, the very least, of his creatures. In the hands and able to command all means for car- pect it. rying out her purposes. One of her children is wayward and gives her anxiety and trouble. Another is sick and seech and entreat her to do her plain and simple duty to these children; beg her boy, beg her to have a physician and nurse for the sick girl. Such action on your part would be gross and inexcusable insult. And if you repeated it she would be justifed in calling the police for your benefit. And yet half of our prapers imply that, unless we keep jogging his memory, or stirring up his benevolence and pity, the tender and allwise and loving Father in heaven will If you wish to move a piece of stone of

welfare of His children. I have often heard prayers that people thought were pious that made me indignant, and that secemed to me simple blasphemy. A hundred times, as a boy, I have heard a man say in prayer, "It is time for thee, O Lord, to work l"-as though God dish't know whether it was time or not! Said another, "O God, non't you do anything about it?" said an evangelist, "f am going to be in this city only two or three days longer, and, O Lord, if thou art going to do anything for the salvation of this town, do it now !"-egotism and blasphemy combined, with a doubt as to which predominates. Said the same evangelist, "come to the meeting to night, for there are going to be wonderful displays of the divine power"-us though he had served a writ on the Almighty, and was going to produce and display nim at all hazards !

Just because God is loving and wise and mighty, this kind of petition is not only useless, but insulting. And I make the charge that the prominent evangelism of the day, in its frantic appeal to God, as though it could not trust him to do right, displays a worse and more open infidelity than it lays at the door of liberalism or of science. The quiet, loving life of the child at home is stronger proof ward into the Mediterranean. The of trust in father and mother than that anxiety that appears to think its wants will not be attended to unless as the result of perpetual begging. The little child in mother's arms looks up and smiles and sinks off to sleep. not need to beg mother to rock its slumber and tuck it into its soft crib. Just this child relation toward God I believe to be the true and pious one. Prattle your childish wants in the Father's car as much as you will; only remember they are childish, and that he knows best, and that the best of all prayers, after all, is, "Not as I will, but as thou wilt."

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All this has seemed needful to say before coming to that which is most important of all. The whole question finds simple, natural and satisfactory solution when looked at in the light of the principles of evolution. What is that principle? This: All the myriad forms, forces, movements and life of the universe are only the varied manifestation of the divine life that lives in and works through it all. The division between natural and supernatural, sacred and secular, are broken down. All is natural, and all is divine and sacred. God is as much in the law of gravitation as in the moral law-"Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." The sun, the winds, the clouds, the rivers, the growing fields, all speak His mysterious name and reveal His present life and power. The law of the unfolding flower is just as divine as is the impulse to gratitude or prayer. It is just as rational and religious to expect prayer to yield to gravitation as it is to expect to gravitation to give way to prayer. God does not undo with one hand what he is doing with the roots in piety itself, and gets its weight- other. Nature is no longer-as was once iest reason in reverence and trust. If universally, and is still too commonly, supposed-a realm opposed to or outside of God, into which he comes at scepticism to suppose that God will times to counteract its forces or to deliver from its power. Nature is God at work, executing his own wise and perof such a God the poorest worm and the fect will. It is not to be supposed, then, grandest archangel must be alike safe. that the impulsive requests of men are There is a mother in Boston who devot going to pursuade him to contravine his ealy loves her children. She is excep- own purposes, or interfere with his own tionally intelligent and knows what is wise work. It becomes simply unreason-She is wealthy able, but a lack of intelligent piety to ex-

Do I take the position, then, that man can bear no active part in the midst of the divine operations of the world-that in danger of death. Suppose you should he is only to sit still, and let the great go to her each morning, and with tears forces drift him on their current, like a in your eyes and sobs on your lips be- leaf on the surface of a torrent? By no manner of means. Man's whole life, physically, intellectually and spiritually, depends on just how much and how wisely he "interferes" with God's working, bringing to pass results that else would not occur. But he must do this mtelligently, and according to the laws of that department in which he expects success.

To illustrate what I mean : You are perfectly aware of the practical use of my principle in the common affairs of life. You do not abdicate your reasons here

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timber you use a lever or some mechanical force; you never think you can argue it, or pray it, or wish it, or will it from one place to another. You meet obedience to God in the special departmechanical force with mechanical force, ment where the result is reached, Mr. You desire to gain admission to a man's favor you do not think you can pry his for saying that the popular notion of heart open with a handspike, or blow it prayer is immoral. But a little thought open with nitro-glycerine. You meet emotion with emotion. It you wish to regard God's methods in one department convince a man's intellect of a doctrine in political economy you never think of applying electricity or steam. You meet logic with logic, argument with argument, proof with proof, All this only means that you recognize the natural order and fitness of things which teach that, in any particular department of life, you must seek for results in accordance with causes that naturally belong to work in that department. Apply this

principle now to our subject. A man desires a profitable crop of wheat in a certain field. The laws and forces of agriculture are divine laws, and they never change. Let the man then see to it that his field is one naturally adapted to the raising of wheat. Then let him look after tillage and dressing and the quality of his seed, and its proper sowing. In all ordinary seasons he c in thus make his barvest sure. But prayer, a spiritual force, has no relation to sunshine, or rain, or frost, or any of the laws of agriculture. And to expect that he can neglect his proper work, and then guard against or retrieve his failure by prayer, is simple implety. It is expeeting that God will put a premium on laziness and ignorance and neglect-crops which the divine husbandman does not care to grow. Through the physical laws of my body God speaks to me with a voice as sacred and commanding as that said to have been heard on Sinai; and he says Obey these laws and you shall have and keep your health. Ignorantly or wilfully I break them and get sick. God still says to me, These my hws point out to you the divine way back to health. But still neglecting these I expect to circumvent God's own methods and get back to health again by a superstitious talisman, a saint's relies, or some ignorant enthusiasts prayers. It is just as presumptuous, impious and foolish as it would be for me to jump off Bunker Hill Monument, and then pray to God to suspend gravitation and make my fall easy; or if I should touch a match to a keg of powder and ask God to keep it from exploding. The laws of health are just as fixed and certain, and just as divine, as those of powder or gravitation. Moody teaches that a minister has no right to look after his worldly affairs; and says that when he wants a barrel of flour he asks God for it, and it comes. This is all very well so long as Mr. Farwell of Chicago believes Mr Moody is doing a good work and stands ready to back him up with both money

and flour. But it is nonsense to suppose that prayer would bring the flour if no one had any confidence in the utility of time, men and women and children have hungered and cried for bread, and staryed with a prayer as their very last breath. vn ural laws and a rigid obedience of them. xan of at at no y. he natural order. But so far as he sucely ng. Ilihat are represented in a train of cars, or hat ss. are

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not contravene the laws in making them; he combines simple forces for the production of a complex result.

Frothingham has been cried out against will teach you that he is right. To disis nothing more nor less than to expect that God is going to take one hand to deliver you out of the other. Men say practically, "O God, I won't obey your when I pray you will make me well. I won't pay any heed to your law of grav- in the channels that we have intelligently itation; but you must keep me from falling and being injured. I won't regard your laws of steam; but I hope you will make my engine work just as well as it I did. I won't study to know the laws of gas; but I trust, for the sake of my prayers, you will make my house as light as my neighbors. I won't pay any attention to your laws in the strength of materials; but I pray my store may stand as strong and safe as any on the street. I won't keep your laws of morality and character; but I'll become as good as anybody else by praying that you will suspend the general rules in my particular case." That is just what the common idea of prayer means. It puts a premium on laziness and ignorance and incapacity and wilfulness. If it is true, there is no need of knowledge of labor, of training, of skill, of foresight, of care. In the truest and deepest sense of the word it is immoral. Carried out logically it would make civilization impossible. What is the use of merchandise if God brings flour to the door of every man who asks for it? Mr. Moody ought to go a step farther and save his wife the housekeeping trouble by having the flour ready made into bread. On this theory a breath could do it. What is the use of trained captains and drilled sailors, much more of insurance companies, if prayer will always insure a safe voyage at sea?

These natural conditions and laws are the present, active, working God. He who knows and obeys the conditions becomes master of the divine omnipotence. The whole force of divinity helps

Must we not, then, pray? It there be spiritual life in you you cannot help praying, any more than a rose can help exhaling its fragrance. The child does not sit dumb in the presence of father and mother because it knows the love and care of his parents do not depend on regular asking for them. The child-heart seeks rest and love in the parent-heart, and naturally pours out its thoughts, hopes, fears and wishes into the sympathetic ears. But if the child be a wise one he does not expect to make his wishes prevail against higher and better wishes.

And yet the prayer may be a very vital thing in the matter of our character and his work. All over the world and in all relation to God. What does compliance with divine conditions do in nature? Simply this: It does not change any single law or force-it only sets us in is Moody a special pet that only his new relations to them. Gravitation will prayers are answered? A man wants a hold me firmly on my feet, or it will factory on the bank of some running fling me down an abyss, according to the stream. Can he build it with prayer, or relation in which I stand to it. When I out of logical syllogisms, or emotions of obey them, laws help me; when I disthe heart? He can build it only in the obey, they hurt me. So prayer may set use of natural forces and in accordance me in new and higher relations to God, with natural laws. In the building of so as to utterly change, and grandly to the dam, the raising of the walls, the elevate, my character. When, by spiritconstruction of the machinery, the adaptation of wheels to the water-nower—God, I comply with the conditions of every step must be a knowledge of nat- spiritual health and strength. If I open my shutters toward the east the morning And just in accordance with the knowl- sun will shine in. It will shine any way, edge and the obedience will be his suc- but will do me no good unless I obey the cess. He combines and adapts laws and conditions of its shining on me. So it I orces, and so produce results that other- open the windows of my soul toward wise would never have come to pass. God the light of his divine truth and Man is no idle spectator of God's work. life will shine in. In this spiritual realm ng in nature. Or, if he were, there it is knowledge and obedience to divine would be no civilization. So man does laws and conditions, precisely the same interfere" with and materially modify as in the material. It is one God and one order in both. Study and work, The New England coach will be at the then, are material prayer; and prayer is spiritual study and work. "I will, complishes his results. All the forces therefore, that all men pray everywhere." "For what are men better than sheep and

he Atlantic cable, are natural, divine
Occes, but natural, divine
That nourish a blind life within the brain, tees; but nature alone would never If, having hands, they lift them not in prayer ye made either. And yet man closs Both for themselves and those that call them

For so the whole round earth is every way Bound by gold chains about the feet of God."

So far, then, as both natural and spirit ual are concerned, the first part of my text gets its answer in the second-"Lord, teach us how to pray." And the answer comes, that the way for us to find God and get his forces as helpers on our side is by knowing and obeying the divine will-the laws and conditions-in whatever department we wish the results produced. Thus, the highest prayer is Not as I will, but as thou wilt." God's will is the only power; and it works out conditions of health; but I expect that our purposes when we have obeyed the conditions, so that the divine forces flow

> dug out for them. "And yet the spirit in my heart Says, wherefore should I may That thou would'st seek me with thy love, Since thou dost seek alway;

> > And dost not even wait until I urge my step to thee; But in the darkness of my life Art coming still to me?

I pray not, then, because I would; I pray because I must: There is no meaning in my prayer But thankfulness and trust

I would not have thee otherwise Than what thon ever art; Be still thyself, and then I know We cannot live apart.'

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Our Pair.

Fair week has come and gone, with its usual accidents and incidents. Notwithstanding the careful arrangements made by the officers of the Society to have the work finished in time for the fair, the steady spell of had weather prior to the tair week set all the croakers off, that the work could not be finished, that it would storm so none would be there, &c., &c.; yet the work was all completed in time, the weather was all that could be de

The previous notice was so very short, that on account of this bad weather be fore fair week, many people who could, did not interest themselves as much as they might, no entries being made from Mukilteo, or Tulalip and but few from up river, yet the quality of articles was superior, to last year, while over one hundred entries were made this year more than last.

The buildings erected on the grounds could well contain a couple of thousand entries, of such articles as are usually exhibited at such fairs, so much more room existing than last year, caused the display to appear less in comparison than it really was.

Mrs. Hurst made a fine display of cut flowers, over ninety varieties.

The farmers on the Stillaguamish and Swinomish made an excellent display of grain and vegetables. The orators of the fair Rev. J. R. Thompson, Rev. D. N. Utter, Hon. O. B. Iverson and W. M. Tirtlot Esq., were present. Rev. J. R. Thompson gave the opening address as it will appear in next week's STAR, comment will be superfluous.

The address of the Rev. D. N. Utter was given on Wednesday afternoon after the close of Mr. Thompson's. It was a very able address, replete with incidents anecdotes and illustrations to combine amusement with instruction. As it was orally delivered, we are unable to reproduce it.

On Thursday, the last day of the fair, Mr. Iverson gave an address upon the subject of the development of the resources of this country by immigration and the application of skilled labor &c. Illustrating his position by reference made to the culture applied in Norway and the growth of the country in the Mississippi Valley. This address was also extemporaneously delivered. Mr. Tirtlot's address we expect will appear in next week's issue. Take the fair all in all it was a success.

The display was fully equal in quality and quantity to any previous year's. The attendance the last two days of the fair was large, perfect good order prevailed, everyone left apparently pleased and good natured

Selections were made for the fair of the Washington Industrial Association next week, as usual.

Now that this fair is over, and we have secured good buildings, grounds &c .some have nearly everything ready for next year's fair already made, would it not be well for our citizens to interest tuemselves in the matter, and begin at once to make arrangements to hold a fair next year, in so thorough a manner, that no single product will fail of being properly represented, and keep the matter before the whole community through out the season. The present fall and coming winter is the time to make arrangements for next year's work.

Honorable Mention.

The following articles not entered in the regular premium list, were reported as worthy of honorable mention, many were well worthy of premiums and it is left to the Trustees as to whether or not premiums be not awarded.

Ione Davis, Patchwork Quilt. Mrs. E. C. Ferguson, Basket Quilt. Carrie A. Light, Hanging Basket. Mrs. L. Wilbur, Pin Cushions. Mrs. M. L. Sinclair, Autumn Wreath. Mrs. A. A. Blackman, Rugs. R. D. Hilton, Span 2 year old Colts. Wm. Hawkins, Yearling Colt. Amos Hurst, Leaf Tobacco.

S. Calhoun, Mangel-wurzel, Mrs. Amos Hurst, Vinegar.

We are under obligations to our neighbor, Mrs. Hulbert for the donation of the premium bouquet. It is not often we see so fine a collection of beautiful flowers so skillfully arranged, and still less often we are made the recipient of so beautiful a gift. Will the donor accept our thanks for the same.

Visit to the Centennial.

Last Monday morning Geo. F. Kyle, of Centreville, in this county, called at our office. This is his first visit to Snohomish since his return from the cast. He left Scattle on the Dakota, June 29; reached San Francisco midnight of the 3d of July; spent the centennial 4th of July in that city; says it was the best celebration ever seen by him; the turnout was very large, procession very fine; was two hours and twenty minutes passing the plaza. Left there on the fifth, made no stoppage until he reached Detroit in Michigan, going via Central and Union Pacific to Omaha, then e to Chicago via Chicago & Northwestern R. R., thence to Detroit by Michigan Central, arriving there July 14th; stopped there one day. Thence to Sherbrook in Canada on Grand Trunk Railway. There found mother and sisters. From there went with one of his sisters to Washington City, visited all the public buildings, cemeterys and noted places in the vicinity, including Mount Vernon and its surroundings; was strongly impressed by the size and grandeur of the national buildings of the capitol; was five days at Washington; then returned to Philadelphia. Was at the Centennial Exhibition four days. This only gave time to look through the main building, machinery hall, memorial hall, and the agricultural building in a hurried manner, after which he returned via New York on the magnificent Fall River line of sound steamers, the line built by Fiske to Boston, making the distance of 212 miles from New York to Fall River, including stoppage at New Port, in ten hours. From Boston returned to Canada on the Boston and Maine and Grand Trunk Railways; thence to Sau Francisco, after resting at home a few days, by same route he went east on. Thence to the Sound on Str. Panama, arriving in Port Townsend on the 5th of this

The heat of the summer seemed almost intolerable, especially the heat in the night,after being accustomed to the temperate, mild climate and cool nights of Western Washington. People everywhere seemed anxious to learn about the country, with a view of coming out here; was frequently invited to their houses by them, so they could enquire as regards soil, climate and institutions found here. When they were told about the large crops of grain, hay, etc. raised to the acre, they were astonished and inclined to doubt his word.

One thing noticed in the east was the great number of people out of employment, and the universal complaint of hard times. In many of the towns it had become a source of great anxiety to the authorities what they were to do with their poor the coming winter; especially is this the case in the manufacturing towns.

In coming through Iowa and Nebraska he found the northwestern part of Iowa and the whole of Nebraska completely devastated by grasshoppers. The hay had been pretty well saved; this was about the only crop saved. corn was completely destroyed.

half were designing to return west within a few months, simply going east on a visit, while the majority westward bound were going to stay. The way inducements are held out to emmigrants coming to this coast, California gets some nine tenths of them all. Oregon has an agent who meets the trains at Oakland. and visits the emmigrants at the hotels. etc. It seems as if Washington Territory ought to have some one to try to induce them to come up here, and to represent her interests there, as they seem to know very little about this country. Hardly know where Puget Sound is, know nothing at all about the climate, productions and industries of the Sound, sloughs; J. S. Conner, 140 acres; J Sul- refinement and wealth. It contains money,

come up here, who have all secured employment since they came here, Since his return he has received in number of letters from young men whose acquaintance he made on the cars that chances would be here.

Before going east he says that he often thought of leaving the Sound to look for some better place to live in, felt more or less unsettled, now feels perfectly contented to stop here, settle down and go to work, as he found no better place than Puget Sound.

The Smallpox.

As there seems to be much fear felt elsewhere of the smallpox, and as some wild stories are in circulation about the prevalency of the disease, we have made it a point to inquire into the matter, for the purpose of relieving the public mind of unnecessary distress. The only case or cases of smallpox on Puget Sound are one or two at Port Townsend. A man on board the barkentine Victor broke raised the past season on a forty acre out with the disease, and was taken with tract. They yielded 3,600 bushels, or an the entire crew and the vessel to quarantine three miles below Port Townsend. The vessel was cleaned and fumigated, and on Sunday last was released, together with her master and a portion of the crew. None of the man's shipmates have so far given evidence of infection, and, as the sanitary regulations are of the very best character, it is thought none of them will. The case that caused the excitement at Port Townsend last week was that of an Indian on board the the office across the river on the Swino-Dakota. He broke out with measels or something of the kind, which a few timid ones discovering at once pronounced smallpox. The only two physicians at Port Townsend were sent for, neither of | ing etc. is ready for its removal. whom could say that the disease was as asserted, and the Indian, leaving the ship, was placed in the pest house at the quarantine ground; his nine companions on board taking a canoe and going in it to Victoria. This is or these are the only case or cases of smallpok now known to exist on Puget Sound, and probably the only two in Washington Territory, Both are cated for, and guarded against all possibility of spreading the contagion. There need be no fear on the part of any one, and the less fear felt the better for all .- Tribune.

Swinomish Items.

DIKING THIS YEAR ON THE SWINOM-ISH .- Last week we walked from Skagit City to La Conner, crossing the Skagit at Mr. Talbot's place, thence by trail and wagon road to the house of Mr. Cornelious, along what is known as Pleasant Ridge. This ridge extends into the centre of the Swinomish flats somewhere like three miles from the Skagit. From the end of the ridge one of the finest views in the Territory may be witnessed The place of Mr. Cornelius being situatnated at the foot of and, around the end of it, and covering some 20 acres or so of the end of the ridge, forming one of the most beautiful, picturesque and fertile as well as productive ranches found anywhere. Coming from the Skagit, one sees to the right of the road a tract of level marsh, mostly above tide level, containing several thousand acres of land. But little of this is covered with timber. It requires diking, not against fthe tide. so much as the annual lovesflow of the Skagit, caused in part by the backing up of the Skagit by the Jam. It has been over with peaceful farm houses nestling One thing noticed was that on the cars estimated that over 100,000 acres of amid great fields of corn, which nod and ing indicates debility, depression or there were twice as many going west as the very best kind of marsh land could dance exultantly in the breeze, as if to mental trouble, and always agravates iteast, and of those going east, over one easily be reclaimed in a body here by a say "I bear food for the whole world." self and promotes disease. slight dike on the removal of the Jam.

For several years past a number of persons have been at work trying to dike in a tract of this land situated on the east timber, sufficient for the wants of this side and adjoining Pleasant ridge. The task commenced is now just about finish- branch of the Chicago, Burlington and ed, the tract enclosed being about as follows: C. J. Chilberg, 160 acres; Robt. Kennedy, 160; C. H. Chamberlain, 160 Isaac Chilberg, 240; Nelson Chilberg, 80 Albert Leamer, 1160; S. [Calhoun 160; J. Cornelius, 40; total, 1,160 acres. Besides this tract there will be finished this year of dikes commenced in part previously, dikes enclosing the following lands on Swinomish and Sullivan's

what is going on here, or how to reach livan, 172; M. Sullivan, 40; Geo. Aden, churches of all denominations, one high here. He induced several with whom 60; Culver estate, 60; Dodge & Lindhe became acquainted on the route to sey 20; D. B. Jackson, 300; Isaac Jen- one woolen factory, steam mill, plow and nings, 160; Edward Ballou, 160; Chas. Miller, 160; Robt. White, 80; J. F. Terrice, 80; Jas. H. McDonald, 160; total, 1,592 acres. Forming a total of 2,752 tion. Indeed this would seem eminently acres of tide flats enclosed by dikes this necessary, since Iowa farmers rarely shelstopped in California, who failed to get vear on the Swinomish flats, in addition ter any kind of implement, but leave employment there, asking what their to what was previously under cultivation there.

> VIEW FROM PLEASANT RIDGE.-The editor of the West Shore is in the habit of obtaining pictures of representative build ings, scenery, etc., found on the northwest coast, and having engravings or cuts made of them, so they appear in his journal. We wish he could get a view of Swinomish flats as they appear with the grain stacked thereon. The view will alone well repay a trip from Oregon. After viewing for miles field after field of such grain as can only be raised from such land as this, one could not well say that this Territory was not a good agricultural community.

FORTY ACRES OF OATS .- Two weeks ago Thos, Lindsey threshed his oats average of 90 bushels to the acre.

TWENTY-EIGHT ACRES OF BARLEY .-Messra, E. & A. Seigfried raised the past season on 28 acres, part of J. S. Conner's town claim, a crop of barley averaging over 90 bushels to the acres.

TELEGRAPH OFFICE AT LA CONNER. Arrangments have been made to erect a building. The citizens of La Conner have raised the funds to establish an ofgee at that place. It is expected that mish reservation will be discontinued, and the telegraph office of the Western Union Telegraph Co. established at La Conner instead, as soon as the build-

STEAM THRESHER .- Notwithstanding the steam thresher of Mr. S. Calhoun could do so much work, it was found that another machine of a similar character could be used to good advantage this year. Therefore Messrs. Paulson & Loveland ordered one through Messrs. J. &G. Gaches. The order was sent to San Francisco by telegraph. The machine came up by steamer, and was in the field at work within seven days after the order was sent. The engine is of twelve horse power. The machine was on exhibition at the Mechanics' Fair at San Francisco at the time of the purchase. It was the only one there, and there was considerable difficulty in getting it away.

Correspondence.

CLARINDA, Iowa, Sept., 1, 1876. My Dear Morse: For some time I have been intending to give you my impresaions of Iowa-a section of country in such marked contrast to our own territory. With a surface of 55,000 miles in extent-no where rising above the dignity of hills-and all susceptible of agriculture, it is easy to be seen that Iowa is destined at no very distant day to become an empire of itself in wealth and population. I am located at present in the Nodaway valley so called from the river which runs through it, and at a point about equidistant (80 miles) from St. Joseph, Mo. and Omaha, Neb. From our home we look off westward upon the high rolling prairies, swelling and sinking to the horizon like the great billows of the grand old ocean, and dotted all In front of us the valley gradually recedes to the river, whilst beyond far as the eye can reach lies a magnificent stretch of section for fuel for generations. A Quincy railroad runs to Clarinda, so that communication is easily had with the great net-work of western railroads. avenues or sheltered by groves of trees.

school in a most flourishing condition, wagon factory, &c. In agricultural implements the gradual tendency is to supply the home demand by home producthe plow standing where it was last used from one season to another at an expense of millions of dollars each year. When Iowa shall supply her own wants and cease to be an exclusively corn, hop and cattle producing country, then, and not until then, will she enter upon a career of true prosperity. I was both surprised and pleased to see the interest taken in education. The people themselves cheerfully vote large taxes for the maintenance of public schools. During the summer vacation one hundred and fifty teachers were assembled in Clarinda under able instructors for four weeks to learn the art of "how to teach." There appears to be no lack of applicants for schools, for each young lady in the county can, with the proceeds of one or two terms of school supply herself with a gold watch and an organ and be happy. Of course this enables the Superintendent to secure a high grade of teachers. This season here has been a very wet

one. On this account eastern Iowa and much of Illinois will raise but half a crop of corn. Here the corn crop never promised better, unless perhaps the grasshoppers may somewhat injure it. This grasshopder plugue, which has for years harried the people of Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri, has reached such proportions as to demand the attention of congress. Last year the grasshopper destroyed the crops of this section, and here they come again, whitening the air with their expanded wings. The hay is gathered and the corn is so far advanced that they can not now do more than injure it. But all feel gloomy, for they (the grasshoppers) are laying their eggs, and may they not drift back and forth, until this fertile land shall become a desolation and wilderness. I sometimes wonder if those remains of an early civilization in Arizona and New Mexico, mentioned by Major Powell, may not be those of a people who have died of grasshopper. I have four of the "redlegged devels" preserved in alcohol, which I want to bring back with me for our museum, if Dr. Folsom thinks them worthy of a place therein.

In a few days we go to New York, and Philadelphia, from whence you may expect to hear from me. By the 1st of October we expect to start for our home in Washington Territory, and to be with you by the 1st of November.

Yours, W. H. REEVES.

A river of ink has been discovered in Algeria. It that country was large enoug,h what a paradise it would be for the poets.

Robt. Fulton invented the steam boat. He did not invent the steamboat explosion, however. Honor o whom henor is

An Eastern paper says that the girls in some parts of Pennsylvania are so hard pushed for husbands that they sometimes take up with printers and lawyers.

An erect gait gives a woman a queenly appearance, and to men an air of manliness, integrity and tearlessness. To bend forward or downward while walk-

It is said by those who profess to know, that a girl in the presence of hear beaux will leave half her ice-cream, and afterwards sneak into the cellar and eat seven cucumber-pickles and twothirds of a cranberry pie.

An Irishman, to whom some wonderful story was told on the authority of a Each farm house is reached through cheap paper, declined to believe it, saying that he distrusted all he saw in the Pure soft water abounds everywhere, so "chape prints." "Why shouldn't you that few more beautiful valleys are to be believe the cheap papers," he was asked, found in the world than the Nodaway "as soon as any other?" "Because," valley. Clarinda contains a population was his ready reply, " I don't think they of about 1700, and is the seat of much can afford to speak the truth for the

The Morthern Star.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1876.

LOCAL PREMS.

ENTERTAINMENT,-Since Sunday last our town has been well provided with entertainments, Sunday, Monday and They will ever feel indebted for their Tuesday, Lectures, or Religious Services, Wednesday evening, School exhibition, ing them for all favors received. Thursday evening, Ball, Friday evening, Politics.

Daniel Gage's new store building at Skagit City is rapidly approaching completion. It is 50 feet long by 24 wide, and 20 ft. posts. It will be two storys high; the lower story for store purposes, the upper for a public hall. Mr. G. is rapidly building up for himself a splendid business, and well deserves it by his energy and sterling business qualities.

GREAT EXCITEMENT,-The political campaign is upon us, and candidates are being lauded to the skies by their friends and sunk to the infernal regions by their enemies, and yet the rush continueseverybody goes to E. C. Ferguson's to purchase some of those fine vaces, chinaware, and articles of shell manufacture just received. Prices reasonable and just dealing is the motto of this first class establishment

At my request W. M. Tirtlot Esq. wil conduct a religious service including the reading of a short sermon on each Sunday morning, when I am not in Snoho mish City-except when a propealy endorsed clergyman of any christian denomination may bappen to be present, in which event Mr. Tirtlot will gladly vacate the desk. All citizens cordially invited to attend.

J. R. Thompson.

Yesterday afternoon as Mr. Slater and Walter Elwell were traveling along the county road from the Snoqualmie to the Skykomish, and when about midway between the two rivers, were surpised and not a little frigthened when a panther sprang from a tree lighting on the ground about ten feet in front of them. After eyeing them a moment the ugly-looking brute passed to the rear of them when a foot-race occurred, both parties claiming the victory.

W. R. Andrews Esq., of Scattle, came to this place to address our people on the political issues of the day; last night while before his audience, and when he had spoken about ten minutes, he was seized with an attack of sickness so violent that he had to be assisted from the room in almost an insensible conditon. His remarks were very interesting up to the time of the attack. He is this morning convalescent, with prospects of a speedy recovery. His many friends here deeply sympathize with him, and it is hoped that he will soon be able to favor us with an address on this subject. He gave abundant evidence that he is able to both interest and instruct us on the subject that he had chosen.

School, Exhibition .- It is now generally known and acknowledged that our public school system is in advance of that of any other nation, because it is progressive. Every year new branches of study, or old ones in an improved form, are being placed before the youth of our land. But it is necessary that we have a respite from study at times, in order to rest and invigorate the mind and prepare it for the solution and development of difficult problems. Mrs. Bell, who is conducting the school here at present to the entire satisfaction of all, seeing the situation, and knowing that music is one of the very best rem: edies for an overtasked brain, as it rests one set of faculties while it cultivates another, has decided to purchase an organ for the school and pay for it by giving a series of entertainments. The first of which, in the form of a school exhibition, was given last Wednesday evening. The scholars without exception conducted the exercises in a manner that did honor to themselves and teacher, and mium, filled their parents' hearts with pride, The organ, which is a very handsome one, has been procured by Mrs. Bell, and cost about \$150. But there is no reason Fruit, first premium, to doubt the ability of the enterprise to raise that amount, as these entertain- first premium, ments are first class and highly appreci-

uted by the people here. The net aceipts last Wednesday evening was about \$50.

A Card.

The pupils of the Snohomish Public School wish to thank all the ladies and gentlemen who so kindly assisted and encouraged them in their first entertainment for the benefit of their school. support and assistance, and join in thank

PUPILS.

Premiums.

Premiums awarded at the second annual fair of the Shohomish county Agricultural Society. Held at the Society's fair grounds near Snohomish City, W. T., September 26, 27, 28, 1876.

CLASS 1, GRAIN AND SEEDS. Morgan & Loveland, Winter Wheat, first premium. \$1 00 Amos Hurst, Winter Wheat, second premium. Diploma.

John Davis, Spring Wheat, first preminm. \$1 00 Jonh Davis, Barley, first premium, 1 00 S. Calhoun, Barley, second " Diploma. " Oats, first premium \$1 00 " second " Diploma, \$1 00

first premium, S. Calhoun, grain in the sheaf second Diploma. premium, A. Hulbert, Beans, first premium, \$1 00 Peas, second " 1 00

S. Calhoun, Timothy seed, first pre-\$1 00

CLASS 2, FRUITS. J. N. Low, best 20 varieties or more of Apples, first premium, \$2 50 A. H. Buchanan, best 5 varieties or more of Apples, first premium, \$1 00 A. H. Buchanan, second do. Diploma.

Mrs. C. Harvey, collection of Pears, first premium, premium, mium,

Mrs. C. Harvey, Peaches, first premium, \$1 00 Mrs. C. Harvey, Plums, do. 1 00 " best general exhibit of Fruit, first premium, \$3 00

CLASS 3, VEGETABLES.

E. Morse, Cabbage, first pr'm, \$1 00 A. Hulburt, " second " Diploma. J. N. Low, Squash, first " \$1 00 H. Oliver, Beets, " 1 00 A. Hurst, Parsnep, " " 1 00 " Cauliflower, " " J. Davis, Pumpkins, " 1 00 A. Hulbert, Celery, 1 00 M. Getchell, Corn, " J. Davis, Potatoes, " Amos Hurst, collection of potatoes 6 varieties, first premium, \$2 00 H. Oliver, Onions, first pr'm,

Vegetables, first premium. \$2 00 CLASS 4, MANUFACTURES. L. Hanson, Blacksmithing, display,

A. Hulbert, Tomatoes, first pr'm 1 00

first premium, \$1 00 W. H. Ward, Blacksmithing, second \$1 00 premium,

CLASS 6, FLOWERS.

Mrs. A. Hurst, best collection flowers, first premium, \$1 00 Mrs. J. N. Low, best col'n flowers; sec-Diploma. ond premium, Mrs. A. Hulbert, Bouquet, first pre-

\$1 00 Mrs. E. D. Smith, Bouquet, second

CLASS 7, DAIRY.

Mrs. C. Harvey, Cheese, first pr'm \$1 00 . 1 00 THE Fannie Oliver, Butter, " Mrs. F. H. Hancock, Butter, second premium, Diploma.

CLASS 9, BREAD, CAKES, PRESERVES, &c.

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premium, Mrs. M. L. Sinclair, collection Canned

Mrs. Amos Hurst, collection preserves, Fannie Low, Jelly, first pr'm,

Ida Davis, Cotton Crochet, first premium. \$1 00 Mrs. J. Ross, Cotton Crochet, second Diploma. premium, Mrs. J. Ross, Silk Embroidery, first

premium, Ione Davis, Ladies Underwear, first premium. \$1 00

Mrs. C. Scotney, Button-hole Work, first premiua, \$1 00 Mrs. J. Ross, Button-hole Work, sec-

ond premium, Diploma.

CLASS 12, POULTRY. H. D. Morgan, Chickens first premium, \$1 00

A. Hulbert, Ducks, first pfm, 1 00 CLASS 14, NATIVE WINES.

J. N. Low, one year old aid over, first \$1 00 premium, E. D. Smith, less than one year old, first premium, \$1 00

CLASS 14, STOCE.

A. Reynolds, Draft Myles, first pre-\$1 00 mium. E. Morse, Milch Cow, first pr'm, 1 00 " Heiter under 2 years old, first premium, \$1 00

A. Reynolds, Cow, sec'd pr'm, Diploma. ELDRIEGE MORSE, Secretary.

F. H. Hancock, grain in the sheaf, Proceedings of County Commissist premium. \$1 00 sioners.—Special Term.

Pursuant to call, a special term of the County Commissioners' Court of Snohomish county, W. T., was held at the Auditor's office in Snohomish City, Sept. 25, 1876.

Present Messrs. Wight and Ferguson. E. C. Ferguson appointed Chairman pro. tem.

Application of W. B. Stevens for a license to retail liquors in Snohomish precinct: Mr. A. Peden and Dr. Folsom were examined as to the good moral character of the said W. B. Stevens as \$2 00 the law directs. It was ordered that up-J. N. Low, best variety of Pears, first on furnishing the required bonds and \$1 00 paying into the county treasury the sum Mrs. E. C. Ferguson, Grapes, first pre- of two hundred dollars per annum, the Auditor be required to issue a retail liguor license to the said W. B. Stevens.

Report of Bridge Commissioner M. T. Wight, received, read, examined and approved. Ordered that Four Hundred and Fifty Dollars be paid, out of the road fund, to Benj. Stretch for work performed on Pill Chuck Bridge, as per contract.

It was ordered by the Board that the Tulalip Indian Agent be requested to 1 00 keep the Indians on the Reservation du-S. Calhoun, Swedish Turnip, first pre- ring the prevalence of the small pox ep-\$1 00 idemic, and the Auditor is directed to H. Oliver, Carrots, first premium, 1 00 forward to said Agent at Tulalip, at once, a copy of this order.

The Board then adjourned sine die. I, W. H. Ward, County Auditor of Snohomish County, Washington Territory do hereby certify the above and foregoing to be a full, true and complete record of the proceedings of the County Commissioner's Court of said County at Amos Hurst, best general collection of their Special Session as above set forth.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and official seal this 25th, day of September 1876.

W. H. WARD, Auditor. [L. S.] By Eldridge Morse, Deputy.

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this Notice, and pay their taxes and save out.

Snohomish City, Sept. 23, 1876.

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For Sale.

160 acres of good land lying near the mouth of the Skykomish River, with 15 acres cleared and 75 bearing fruit trees, for sale at a bargain. For further particulars enquire of W. H. WALE,

or M. W. PACKARD. vl n:34

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Snohomish City, Jane 30, 1876.

NOTICE.

That the tax roll of Snohomish county, Washington Territory, are now in my hands, and I am now ready to receive taxes thereon. All parties not paying before the first of January 1877, will have to pay 10 per cent additional thereon.

T. F. MARKS.

T. F. MARKS, Treamere

Legal Notice.

In the District Court of Snohomish County, Washington Territory, In Equity. AUGUSTA A. DRAKE, Plaintiff;

JACOB H. DRAKE, Defendant, omplaint filed in the office of the Clerk of

Complaint filed in the office of the Clerk of said District Court.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA send Greeting: To Jacob H, Drakke, Defendant:
You are hereby required to sppear in an action brought against you by the above named plaintiff, in the District Court of said County, lodding terms at Suohomish City, in the county of Snohomish, and to answer the complaint filed therein, within twenty days (exclusive of the day of service) after the service on you of this summons, if served in the said county of Snohomish, or if served out of said county, but in the Third Jacdical District of said Territory, within thirty days, otherwise within sixty days, or judgment by default will be taken against you, according to the prayer of said complaint.

The said action is brought to obtain a decree of divorce, the custody of the minor children of the Plaintiff and for costs and fdisbursements in this action. For abandoment and desertion.

And you are berely notified, that if you.

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NOTICE.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT LAND OFFICE OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON TERRITORY.
SEPTEMBER 2, 1876.

OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON TERRITORY,
SEPTEMBER 2, 1876.

Complaint having been entered at this office
by Claus Geser of Suchomish County, W. T.,
against J. H. Drake for abandoning his Homestead, Entry No. 1507, dated January 18th,
1872, upon the 10t 14 of Section 3, lots 3, 6, 12
and 15 of Section 10 and lot 5, of Section No.
15, in Township No. 29 North, of Range No.
5 East, Willamette Meridian, in Snohomish
County, Washington Territory, with a view
to the cancellation of said entry; the said
parties are hereby summoned to appear at this
Office on the 18th, day of October, 1876, at
10 o'clock A. M., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged abandonment,
J. T. BROWN, Register.

ROBERT G. STUART, Receiver,
v1:35 4w

Remarks on Marriage.

SEMI MIMOO CITY, Aug. 28, 1878. PROF. F. H. M.

Dear Sir: In No. 32 of the North-LEN STAR I saw "A Query," (over your signature,) on the subject of matrimony. Saffer me to reply to you in one or two short articles not labored but free and converational, such as friends may use.

Text, Heb. 13:4, "Marriage is honorable in all and the bed undeflied, but lewel persons God will judge." That is, marriage is not only the proper state of man but it is highly honorable, and any father for it. You are a father but filthy meanness-death comes to finish breach of the seventh commandment is very offensive to God, and injurious to us. But let it be premised, that your religion makes you what you are; and mine makes me what I am. I may mistake your religion, then it will be for you to set me right, and tel! me precisely what your religion is, and not call me dishonest or a fool or anything of that sort, for that, you know, I won't bear, (i. e. patiently.) You must back up your religion, and I will back mine. You need not try to overturn me with your "reason ad common sense," in religious matters, for my reason and common sense in this line, is as different from yours as two things can well be; still yours does for you, and mine does for me. Marriage is not anything, or everything that anyone chooses to make it; but it is a solemn contract entered into between one man and one woman to live together as husband and wife during life, infidelity only excepted. This contract has stipulations, or attributes, which are peculiar and cannot enter into any other contract; such as First: Its oneness, "They twain shall be one flesh." Second: The sacredness of it privacies. Third: Its exclusive right to propagate its species. Fourth: The nature and extent of its obligation, &c.

Marriage is an ordinance of God, and is doubtless one of the most sacred and valuable institutions on earth. It cannot be dispensed with by church or State, and the idea of good society without well regulated families, and the weekly Sabbath is simply an impossibility. Marriage has its foundation in the wants of our religious nature, it is therefore a religious rite, and should always be celebrated with due regard to the obligations of religion. Marriage is also among us a civil rite, and accordingly is regulated and made honorable by statute law. But our right to marry is inate, or God granted a right which no civil law or church canon could either grant or take away, so that under some peculiar circumstances, being cut off from society and law it might be lawful for a couple to marry themselves and live together as husband and wife. Marriage and the well ordered family are essential to good society in Church or State. Suppose a case. "True marriage makes the parties one; one heart; one interest; one home; a common interest in that home; when the child is born the parents have a common interest in it, and the friends have no more doubt as to who the father is than they have about the mother. Here is purity, confidence and happiness. This family is one of 100 families in a compact community of like character, all married for life. In a few years this family have six children, the youngest 5 years old. All attending Sunday-school and church every Lord's day. Two of this household are now young men, well educated and were never known to swear a profane oath, get drunk, or engage in lations, then will criminals and born work to desecrate the Sabbath.

In this neighborhood there are no family quarrels or lawsuits, no private jealousies or public fueds. Their beautiwell filled every first day. Their school ing him liable to be grossly misunderhouse yards and play grounds are well stood. He evidently does not believe in kept and delightfully ornamented with promiscuity, but that men are safest evergreens, shrubs and flowers; the when left free. That coercion produces school houses are ample, well furnished more crime than it prevents. This is in with a desk, a Bible, and other suitable great part true, yet our present laws are school books for each scholar, so that the school houses with their furniture amount of coercion. Because they the the school houses with their furniture and surroundings, with proper teaching country and for each other.

But such a state of society can only be this discussion, ED.]

secured by pure, intelligent and well not be secured but by marriage for nobody-to befriend none-to get everylife and a good moral and religious, i, e, christian education. Suppose you marry for one year, about the expiration of this term a child is born? Who does this lovely little boy belong to? You are its father for one month yet, then the term is out. Now you are a father, but only an exhasband, your former wife is a grass widow, she man heart, and at the expense of every is the mother of a child but has no enjoyment, save that of wallewing in have no wife to care for your child, a the work, the buly is buried in a hole family broke up, ruined. Carry this and the heirs datee over, and spirit goes system into 100 families, and if you can, -where? imagine the fruit of this unpardonable folly. You may legalize this departure from enlightened, or savage "reason and common sense," but when compared with christian marriage. It would be stark confusion in Egyption darkness. Yours truly

Marriage Contract—Reply to Nameless.

It is strange how early prejudices do blind people to a clear perception of truth, and an appreciation of justice; yet is it no more strange than true; and that Confectionery Saloon is what seems to the matter with "Name-

Under our present marriage laws and customs woman is not on an equality with man; and so tar as she is not, she is his slave. I suggested, to put her on an equality with man in marriage, by virtue of a simple recorded contract under a general law, under which the wo man could protect herself equally with the man, and both be equally bound for the support and education of the children, if any should result, and neither be bound to the other, only by the bond of mutual love, affection and desire, for this is the only bond that should ever hold two together in conjugal relations; for such relations existing under any other bond are unholy, impure and unfit to exist; and children resulting from such unholy relations are invariably more or less crime-bent and diseased. And yet a law that would release women from such unholy subjection to men's passions, "Nameless" seems to think is wrong; and instances the "purlieus" of our large towns as illustrative of the workings of such a law, and claims that "from this class the great mass of criminals have sprung."

It is not from these dens that "the great mass of criminals have sprung;" but from the unboly marriage beds of legalized prostitution; for children are very seldom bred in houses of ill-fame, and that is one blessing that illegal prostitution has over the legalized kind; the subjects of the former naturally fester rot and die in their own corruptions, and would become extinct in a short time, if their ranks were not constantly kept full by recruits from the homes of the legal prostitutes where they are bred with all the requisite characteristics inherited, to fit them as appropriate re-

Those illegal institutions are the natural and appropriate results of the legalized kind-existing all over the country under the force of our present marriage laws, and public sentiment, and from which all our criminals spring.

When woman is placed on an equality with man before the law, and can protect herself in her conjugal and other reprostitutes, in due time cease to be pro. duced, but never before.

[This discussion has been carried to a great extent already, We publish this to se stands in their centre, close it. F. H. M., uses language makparties can make most any contract they and example, would be likely, (if not sure) to engender reverence for God, for separation will always obtain a divorce. or offspring, and one years voluntary his word and works, and also love for We do not see as any new facts will be alleged, so expect this to be the end of

How to GET RICH.-Nothing is easier trained families, and such families can- than to grow rich. It is only to trust E. SHONE. thing we can and save all we get-to be the friend of no man, and to have no man for our friend-to heap interest upon interest, cent upon cent-to be mean, miserable, and dispised fer some twenty or thirty years-and riches will come as disease and disappointment. And when pretty nearly enough wealth is collected by a disregard of all charities of the hu-

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The Kentucky Shower of Flesh.

It appears to be a law of nature that weeds should grow with flowers, tares with corn, and that superstition should almost touch truth. Showers of frags, of fishes, of bloody rain and snow have frequently occured. The last sensation, however, is "the fall of flesh in Kentucky," which offers some features of special interest.

In 1537, while Paracelsus was engaged in the production of his "clixir of life," he came across a very strange looking vegetable mass, to which he gave the name of "Nostoc." The want of transportation combined with the perishable nature of the substances tallen, have hitherto prevented a complete and exhaustive examination. The specimens of the "Kentucky shower," reached New York well preserved in glycerine, and it has been comparatively easy to identify the substance and to fix its status. The Kentucky wonder is nothing more or less than the "Nostoc" of the old alchem ist. The Nostoc belongs to the conferva; it consists of translucent, gelatinous bodies, joined together by threadlike tubes or seed bearers. There are about fifty species of this singular plant classaded; two or three kinds have even been found in a fossil state. Like other confervæ, the Nostoc propagates by self division, as well as by seeds or spores. When these spores work their way out of the gelatinous envelope they may be wafted by winds here and there, and may be carried great distances. Where ever they may fall, and find congenial soil, dampness or recent ruins, they will thrive and spread very rapidly, and many cases are recorded where they have covered miles of ground in a very few hours with long strings of "Nostoc." On account of this rapidity of growth, · people almost everywhere faithfully believe the Nostoc to fall from the clouds, and ascribe to it many mysterious virtues. The plant is not confined to any special locality or climate, sown by a whirlwind, carried by a current of air, in need of moisture for existence and support, it thrives everywhere .Icebergs affoat in mid ocean have been found covered with it. In New Zealand it is found in large masses of quaking jelly, several feet in circumference, and covering miles of damp soil; and in our own country it may be found in damp woods, on mead-

All the Nostoes are composed of a semiliquid cellulose and vegetable proteine. The edible Nostoc is highly valued in China, where it forms an essential ingredient of bird-nest soup. The flesh that was supposed to have fallen from the clouds in Kentucky is the fleshcolored Nostoc (N. carneum of the botanist;) the flavor of it approaches the frog or spring chicken legs, and it is greedily devoured by all domestic ani-

ows, and marshy or even gravelly bot-

toms.

Such supposed "showers" are not rare, and are entirely in harmony with natural laws. In the East Indies the same Nostoe is used as an application in ulcers and scrofulous disease, while every nation in the East considers it nourishing and palatable, and uses it even for food when dried by sun and heat .- Leopold Brandeis in Sanitarian.

A Lesson in Grammar.

- " Jake, did you ever study grammar ?"
- " I did, sir."
- What case is Mr. " He's an objective case."
- "How so ?"
- "Because he objects to paying his subscription that's been due for a year and a half. ?" " Right. What's a noun?"
- " Don't know : but I know what a re-
- " Well, what is it?"
- "Running off without paying the printer and getting on the black list as a delinquent."
- "What's a conjunction?"
- "A method of collecting outstanding subscriptions in conjunction with the constable-never employed by printers until the last extremity."
- " That's right. Go to your scat and quit your shooting paper wads at the girls."

The honeymoon is not pleasant when you reach the last quarter-of a dollar.

A Bar Story.

The Reno, Nevady, Gazette, repeats it thus:

" I've fought 'em standin' and runnin', but the torghest citizen I ever lit onto was a black'un. He was settin' in the chappara eatin' manzanita berries, when my dog smelt him and went home. sneaked up and commenced aggravaing him by shooting at his cars and feet. I then took around him and with three shots cut off his tail. Old Blacky heerd me shootin' and turnin' around see his tail layin' there. He picked it up and looked at the trade mark, and I see in a minute that war was comin'. I lit out for a tree with only two cartriges left and him a comin'. Well, to make a long story short, I shot twice, hittin' him both times, and he began to git hot, so he took up a tree after me, and I knocked him down three times before my gun broke. He started on the fourth trip, and I didn't know what to do till I thought of my derringer which carried a four ounce ball. I drew her out, tied a string to her trigger, and as old Blacky came up with his month wide open, I dropped her in. He hadn't time to spit her out, and so he swallowed and I pulled the string. Off went the gun, and so help me. I never see any thing of bear or pistol since."

The great council of Red Men of the United States resumed its session Ito-days The reported membership in this country amounts to 40,000, divided into 600 tribes in 36 states, and \$100,000 are expended annually for relief. Adam Smith of San Francisco was elected great inpohonee; Charles H. Letchman of Massachusetts, great sagamore; J. A. Morris of Delawate, great chief of records; James Pyle of Delaware, great keeper of wampum. Columbus, Ohio, was chosen as the next place of meeting.

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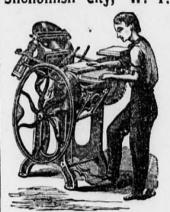
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