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Disgusting Performances.

At intervals we are afflicted with a class of mountebanks, says the Los Angeles News, claiming to be escapes from convent life, recalcitrant Catholic priests, or something of the sort. These peripatetic bipeds wander about the country relating to gaping crowds disgusting stories concerning the immoralities of the Catholic priesthood and the horrors of convent life in America, never forgetting, however, to charge a handsome admission fee to all who desire to listen to their prurient talk. These retailers of nasty stories have mostly been kicked out of the Catholic church as unworthy a visible connection with Christian men and women, or have proven themselves the basest of imposters, who should as summarily be kicked out of all decent society; but, nevertheless, the Puritanic mind seems willing to drink in and accept as truth the statements of these people, and the charlatans pocket many ducats by pandering to Protestant prejudices. It is no credit to the Protestant denominations that they extend encouragement to these creatures, and we are willing to believe that a large class of the Protestant world shares our disgust at their performances. The latest appearance upon this coast is that of Edith O'Gorman—so she styles herself—who claims to be an "escaped nun," and who, if the reports in the San Francisco papers are to be believed, claims to excell all previous comers in the nastiness of her "so-called" revelations. The Western papers some months ago contained anything but a complimentary history of the gentle Edith, who delights in retailing the history of her adventures with a Reverend Father to hearers who pay fifty cents apiece for the privilege of listening to the delectable details. It may seem singular that men and women, supposed to be decent, should attend exhibitions of the kind referred to; but then it must be remembered that "model artist" shows and theatres where vulgarity is the chief feature, are frequented by those claiming respectability. The Sisters of Charity, whom this new importation is said to assail, have, as a class, won for themselves the deserved admiration of the civilized world. Their charities are innumerable; their sublime devotion to Christian works is known and recognized of all men. No call of suffering humanity has ever fell unheeded upon the ear of a Sister of Cnarity; and dying Protestant, as well as Catholic, daily invokes the blessing of God upon those devoted women who, unmindful of self, forgetful of all save Christian duty, devote themselves to its life-long performance. That these noble women, living illustrations of the theory that man partakes somewhat of the Divine, compelling the scoffer to believe, from the evidence of his own senses, that Christians do exist in these days, should be reviled and slandered in the presence of a San Francisco audience without the reviler being hissed from the stage, only illustrates the intensity of religious denominational rancor.

A detective officer makes the annexed statement to the San Francisco Post:

Last Thursday morning I got up as usual about 5 o'clock, and went from my office in Duncan's building down on California street. I stepped into Cady's saloon on my way, and while there chatting with the barkeeper and porter and one other man, a woman entered the saloon, and requested to have her bottle filled with brandy. she looked as if she was suffering from excessive drink, and almost on the verge of delirium tremens. She received brandy and went up towards the Russ House. Her appearance of course excited comment, and I inquired who she was. No one knew, except the gentleman present, and he said she was Miss O'Gorman, "the escaped nun," who lectured the evening previous.

Reporter—Have you any other reason for believing it is Miss O'Gorman.

The Detective—Yes, or I would not have told you what I have. When I notice persons once I know them ever afterwards; and I went to hear that lecture that evening, paying my fifty cents to pass the doorkeeper, just to see if it was she who got the brandy, and I found it was.

THE EXTREME OF MEANNESS.—They are very strict in the management of their schools in Boston. The School Board recently refused to permit teachers to be absent from their charge for the purpose of singing in Mr. Gilmore's Jubilee chorus, even though substitutes should be provided. The Traveler says that "a strong feeling of opposition to the Jubilee was developed in the Board." Opposition to the Jubilee! Why, we thought that every man, woman boy, girl, babe and suckling in Boston was ready to lay down life itself in behalf of the Jubilee, should such immolation be necessary to the success of the festival! And here are School Committeemen actually opposing it. It's a bother.—[N. Y. Tribune.

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INDIAN DEPREDATIONS.

By a recent Act of Congress, a copy of which is in my possession, a more efficient mode has been provided for the collection of claims against the Government for depredations committed by the Indians.

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