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SOFT-HANDED PRINTERS.

The Oregon Sentinel has the following excellent essay on hard-fisted, thoughtless and ignorant men who begrudge a few dollars to a paper, the very existence of which makes their land worth more to every acre they possess than the subscription price amounts to: "It was a well-to-do farmer, owning a couple thousand acres and countless flocks, from whom we solicited a subscription recently. His face was all smiles at the moment, having just received a heavy payment of money, but he replied with a cold negative, and added, 'he could not afford to support soft-handed printers.' Poor ignorant fool! does he not know that he whom he despises as soft-handed is really the hardest worked, and among the shortest lived of human artisans, and humbly though his calling, he is a captain in the world's triumphal progress. Does he not know that the soft-handed printer is a link between thought and action? a graver who is cutting deeply into time's tablet, the record of the world's grandeur, its advancement in agriculture, in mechanics, in art—in everything that makes it better, and brighter, and lightens the burdens of humanity! Does this human snail, wrapped in his own selfish shell, know a printer's work? Did he ever stand and watch the weary hand of the printer following the movements of the still more weary eye, picking among the dusty and poisonous type, weaving the bits of metal into words, sentences and paragraphs that stamped the thoughts of many a throbbing brain into a legible coinage that makes such as he thrive and prosper? We looked into the man's face, and understood his motive. A spark of human kindness could no more have lived in his cold glassy eye than a spark of fire in the heart of a Northern iceberg. Although his pockets were heavy with coin his face was pinched, and the line hardly drawn into a pitiable expression of want. It was the face of the miser. We looked at the man's heart, and it was a bloodless, shapeless thing, hardened and crystallized by contact with the dollars that he begged to it. It had no pulse that beat with a single throb of human sympathy. It was something that the love of a wife could never penetrate, a thing that the affection of childhood can never quicken into kindly emotion. We venture to say that this man never contributed the value of a shingle to a church edifice or a public charity, or gave a penny to a public school except upon compulsion. He will die alone, unaccompanied by wife or child, or friend or neighbor, and we do not envy him the small amount of a subscription. Let him keep it. It will add another heavy pang to his bitter agony when called on to part with his golden idol; it will be another morsel for vultures who will tear his hoard to pieces, cursing him that he did not die sooner and leave them more, and in the place where that infinitesimal quantity, called his soul, will find no rest, he will not be troubled with the presence of 'soft-handed printers.'"

We think that A. H. Clark has the sheep that stands No. 1 as far as sagacity is concerned. It is a male, and, during the Summer, has pastured with some calves in an apple orchard adjoining the residence. There were several trees in the orchard well loaded with early fruit. The trees were about six inches in diameter. One evening Mr. Clark heard considerable noise in the orchard, and upon investigation found the sheep and the calves quietly eating apples under one of the trees. In a few minutes all the apples were eaten, when, to his surprise, he saw the sheep back off several yards from the tree and then butt it with all his force, bringing down a quantity of fruit. This they proceeded to eat as before, and when the supply gave out the sheep replenished it as before. This was continued at intervals until the appetite was appeased. So persistent was the sheep in his novel mode of tree-shaking that Mr. Clark was obliged to protect the trees, lest the continual bruising of the bark should cause permanent injury.—[Groton (N. Y.) Journal.]

An evening or two since some frogs were being killed preparatory to their being served up to some bon vivants at a San Francisco restaurant. The little animals were made to give up the ghost by being pierced through the spine with the small blade of a knife. At the prick of the "bare bodkin" the majority of the frogs gave out a gasp, a quiver or two, and all was over. One little fellow, however, behaved differently. On receiving the fatal thrust he sat upright, calmly folded his hands across his breast, and with upturned eyes to heaven, stiffened in death. Seeing this, a Chinaman who was looking on was much affected. "Poo, fieg, poo, boy!" cried he, "see him talk to God!" The Chinaman was one who had been attending Sunday school in this city, and the attitude and expression of the dying frog reminded him of what he was in the habit of seeing when at church.—[Alta.]

Sweetly sings a nineteenth century poet: "What will heal my bleeding heart?" List, man, list; put on plenty of lint. Or, hold a cold door key to the back of your neck, press a small roll of paper under the end of your lip, and hold up your left arm. This last remedy is to be used only in case your heart bleeds at the nose.

The editor of the New York Commercial has tried it, and finds that "a few sugar-coated charity pills will do a man's conscience a power of good."

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of the State of Nevada, in and for the County of
Lincoln, in which action the undersigned is
plaintiff and the Newark Silver Mining Company,
the National Gold Bank & Trust Company, John
Chisholm, Andrew Snodgrass, Frank P. Pickens,
Lee Rice, James Nesbitt and George Nesbitt,
are defendants, and is brought to enforce
a lien in favor of plaintiff and against the de-
fendants upon the following described premises,
situated in the County of Lincoln, State of Ne-
vada, to wit: The property known as the Con-
dor Quartz Mill, situated in Condon Canyon,
about twelve miles from Pioche, on the line of
the Nevada Central R. R. Said lien is for the
sum of nine hundred and eighty-two \$882.00
dollars, in gold coin of the United States, and is
claimed under and by virtue of an Act of the
Legislature of the State of Nevada, entitled "An
Act to secure liens to mechanics and others, and
to repeal all other Acts in relation thereto,"
approved March 24, 1875. Now, therefore, all
persons having, holding, or claiming liens upon
said premises under the provisions of said Act,
are hereby notified to be and appear before said
Court on the 6th day of January, A. D. 1880, at
10 o'clock A. M., the same being a day of the
regular January Term, A. D. 1880, and then
and there exhibit their said liens and proof thereof.
Friday, November 28, 1879.

PETER HANSON,
THOMPSON CAMPBELL, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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