

A SPOILSMAN OF UNJUST LAW.

A woman, well known in Portland, some time ago brought a suit in the Circuit Court to recover from the father of her illegitimate child...

Such cases as the above are all too common, although comparatively few ever receive the attention of the public. How the fathers and brothers of girls can allow such shameful laws to disgrace the statute books...

FREE GOSPEL—FREE PEWS.

On Monday, in the Oregonian, a correspondent signing himself "Not a Churchman," growled because he was unable to have his pew in one of the churches on "extra" occasions...

The letter from our venerable friend, Colonel John A. Collins, will be read with interest. Mr. C. was court-martialed with William Lloyd Garrison...

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Kearney exhibited good sense in making the rabble quiet. He promised them that, in case Kallloch died, they should have revenge. He said that the machinery of the city government would soon be in their hands...

The newspapers which receive Associated Press dispatches denounce De Young, without even admitting that there was the slightest cause for anger. Their antagonism arises from the fact that De Young broke their combination and arranged matters so as to allow the Chronicle to get telegraphic news.

The representation at the State Teachers' Institute has been better this year than ever before. We regret that our space is so limited that we cannot properly notice its interesting proceedings.

A NOVEL WEDDING.

The Oakland, California, papers tell of a most novel and interesting marriage ceremony that was recently performed in that city of roses.

The wedding took place at Dr. Beary's parlors, in the Oregon Block, Broadway and Thirteenth streets, Oakland, in the presence of a select company of the most intimate friends of the contracting parties.

At half-past ten in the morning the less than two score of specially-invited guests quietly assembled in the above described parlors, the bride and groom took their places, and then Rev. Ada C. Bowles proceeded to "make the twin ones" by the following original ceremony:

"Do you take this man whom you now hold by the right hand to be your lawfully wedded husband, and promise to love and cherish him?"

"I do," again responded the bride, and the ring was transferred to the fourth finger of the left hand of the bridegroom.

The same questions were addressed to the gentleman, and the same answers received; but the ring placed upon the finger of the bride by the bridegroom was a massive band of native gold, with the monogram "R. P." wrought in a beautiful design thereon.

Turning to the guests present, Mrs. Bowles concluded the ceremony by saying: "Friends, you bear witness to the contract entered into between this man and this woman, and I have only to add, again addressing the bride and groom, 'that, by the laws of the State of California, I now pronounce you husband and wife.'"

Does any one believe that if pure women were in the councils of the nation at Washington that there would be opportunity for the licentiousness that is so rampant there? If the good and true wives of Senators and Representatives could be with their husbands at the seat of Government, the adventures that so swarm in that city could not find the willing and easy victims that abound on every side, and free and easy law-makers would be restrained...

What is known as the "Yazoo plan" in Mississippi is furnishing Republican journals a good deal of campaign "thunder." A gentleman who was an independent candidate for the shrievalty in Yazoo county was assassinated to get him out of the way and check "radicalism," the Southern newspapers claiming that it was an effort to revive Republicanism.

EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

DEAR READERS OF THE NEW NORTHWEST: The peregrinations of the undersigned are so constant as to almost entitle us to the unenviable sobriquet of la femme Sathiel.

The little city by the sea gives evidence of healthy growth. There is within its borders an odd admixture of the provincial and the cosmopolitan, both in its dwellings and society, the result of its gradual transition from the proportions of a village to the pretensions of a city.

Do women, when thinking of societies for the prevention of cruelty to animals, ever call to mind the immense numbers of birds that are yearly sacrificed to the decrees of fashion—used as adornments for hats and bonnets?

It is reported that Mrs. Ana B. Hutchinson, one of the famous family of singers, has become exceedingly wealthy by the purchase of an undeveloped mine at Leadville, Colorado, which has since proved to be of remarkable richness.

LETTER FROM SAN FRANCISCO.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE NEW NORTHWEST: The news of Mrs. Dunway's straightforward, self-possessed and more than womanly bravery during the recent riot in Jacksonville has reached us in San Francisco and challenged our admiration and renewed our enthusiasm.

The plague has appeared on the Turko-Perian frontier. Cholera is reported at Ostend, Brussels and Western Flanders. The deaths from yellow fever in Havana during July were 475.

After the Greek frontier is settled, the Turkish army will be reduced to 10,000 men. Forty thousand tons of steel rails have been ordered in London for the Canadian Pacific Railway.

English skilled workmen are preparing to emigrate. The spinners of Oldham urge emigration as a means of improving their condition. The great shooting contest was concluded at Versailles on the 24th. Milton Farrow, an American marksman, gained the first prize.

GENERAL NEWS.

An oil train of twenty-eight cars was burned in Pennsylvania on the 21st. S. S. Riebley's bank, at Columbus, O., was robbed of \$20,000 on the 29th.

Proceedings of the court martial against Surgeon-General Hammond have been annulled. Ulca Republicans have chosen Senator Conkling as delegate to the New York State Convention.

It is charged that ministers have fled from Memphis, leaving their flocks to the ravages of the fever. Colonel John C. Cronony, a well-known journalist and author, died at San Francisco on the 24th.

Several hundred employees of the Lake Shore Railroad are on a strike in Chicago, their grievance being overwork and poor pay. A white man named Atwell killed a negro named Allen in Memphis, on the 25th. A coroner's jury declared it justifiable homicide.

Workmen's and Greenbackers' meetings throughout the East are severe in denouncing De Young's cowardly assault on Kallloch. Mrs. Nelson, wife of one of the partners in the old steamship firm of Goodell, Nelson & Perkins, is suing for a division of community property.

There is trouble at Bodie, Cal., between the miners and Superintendent Daly, of the Mine and Sulphur Mining claims. The miners, on the evening of the 23d, destroyed a cabin built by order of the Superintendent over the Oyhee shaft, and afterward resolved to hang Daly.

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FOREIGN NEWS.

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Starvation still prevails at Cashmere, India. Cholera is increasing at Cabul. The last rain in England did more damage than all the previous excessive rains. The crops in the interior of British Columbia are the most beautiful ever known.

NEWS ITEMS.

Yamhill county's grain yield is fair. Walla Walla county sycle is as good as gold. Norway rats have made their way to Roseburg.

The Presbyterian church at Ashland has a new bell. A fine mineral spring has been struck near Roseburg.

The newly-discovered silver ledge near Port Townsend assays unfavorably. A large amount of California money is loaned upon real estate in Jackson county.

The Union County Fair commences on Wednesday, Sept. 24, and continues one week. The new building of the M. E. Church South, at Phoenix, will be dedicated in October.

The furnace being put up at the New Union circular mine will soon commence work. The time recently found on the Tomcholet, 22 miles from Walla Walla, is of first-class quality.

The citizens of Yamhill county have subscribed liberally for the erection of a new college building at McMinnville. Roseburg is rapidly increasing in size, several costly buildings having recently been erected, and more in process of erection.

Heretofore the average weight of Walla Walla wheat has been from 115 to 125 pounds per sack. This year it is 130 pounds. Old Kitsap, the Puyallup murderer, has been acquitted because his mind is unsteady.

The channel of the Luckiamute River is being cleaned out. The steamer Nellie will carry off produce as soon as the water rises. W. C. Myer's fine Percheron horse "Fride of Perche" died on the 18th inst., from the effects of poison administered by some unknown person.

A record kept by Mr. Beam, of Eugene, shows that only about twenty per cent of the usual number of deaths have occurred in Lane county during the year past. The Daily Evening Capital is the name of an evening paper just started at Salem. It is Republican in politics, but will give particular attention to local affairs.

A dispatch from Victoria states that an American vessel has been denied a permit to take charge of the wreck of the Cleopatra in the Ocean for the benefit of its purchasers. W. R. Maceumber, local of the Seattle Daily Post, and W. M. Leach, foreman in the same office, were capsized in a sail boat on Fogel Sound on the 23d. They were adrift four hours, and the former died from the exposure.

A woman with two little children arrived at Walla Walla last week, having come from Ohio in search of her husband, a fellow named Chas. Cole, who failed to meet her as he promised. The good people of Walla Walla contributed to relieve her distress. Lieutenant Joseph Neuzil, a crazy Austrian, has started on a three-log raft from Seattle for San Francisco. He says it is all right if he perishes, but if he reaches San Francisco, his fortune is made; he will place his craft on exhibition on Long Bridge, and will clear \$10,000 in a week.

"NOTHING NEW." The following fable, by Mrs. Lillie Devereux Blake, which was sent to the St. Louis Convention, will answer one of the hackneyed slogans apt to be repeated against Woman Suffrage: "A little girl who had been many times to a rich man's door begging for the means of support met him one day with the old appeal, 'whereon he looked at her anxiously and drove her away, saying, 'Why do you always come with the same complaint? I am cold and hungry, I am cold and hungry; you repeat until I am weary of the sound. If you only had some new argument to use, I might listen to you, but I can't listen to this old story.' 'Alas, sir,' replied the child, 'I am cold and hungry, and still my necessities are relieved. I can only plead my cause in the same wearisome fashion.' 'Then, even so, when women plead for their liberties, and opportunities for self-support, they are blamed for repeating the same old arguments.'"