

POPULAR PREACHERS.

The following pointed paragraphs, on "Popular preachers," the application of which will be readily perceived, are sent to us from Newburyport, as written by the Rev. Dr. Withington, of Newbury, himself a venerable minister of the gospel, and long known as one of the most learned, eloquent, and faithful of his profession:

"It is a matter of great congratulation when the sacred truths of the gospel, lighting upon a congenial heart, are recommended to the world with all the clearness of an irresistible logic, and all the charms of sacred eloquence. When popular preachers are devoted to truth and preach it with all the humility of the humblest story, they are inestimable gifts to the world. They are like a sun rising in a clear morning, without a mist to obstruct their rays, and making their utility more useful by the beauty which adorns it. Such popularity is a power, especially if everybody is more conscious of it than the owner himself. When an angel visits our world, he may spread his golden wings, mortals may admire, but the angel himself is intent on his message. He delivers it and departs, and we are benefited by his visit, but men are not angels, nor is every popular preacher a witness to the truth. Popularity is sometimes bought by the concealment, the perversion, or even by the abandonment of the Gospel. Some of these men use their power only to betray their trust.

"We can hardly conceive a greater evil. Suppose a man in the garb of a clergyman, with just enough truth to deceive any just reverence enough not to be a buffoon; with a boundless fancy, full of illustration, never wanting a sparkling thought, and more intent on striking than instructing his audience, always saying smart things with all the newspapers in the country watching to report his pointed sayings. Suppose him to have the faculty of setting a thousand admirers to represent him as the only man, who knows how to meet the demands of the age, though Heaven only knows what these demands are. What shall we say of such an exhibitionist? We must say a great price is put in his hand to get and impart wisdom.

"What a blessing such a man may be! How many thousands might he conduct to salvation! What a crown of rejoicing might he receive in the great day! They that turn many to righteousness shall shine as the stars forever and ever."—Sunday Courier.

IMITATION OF GOLD IN JEWELRY.

Gold may be imitated in a variety of ways, according to Professor Hermsdorf, who avers that the German jeweler does quite a good deal in that line of business, making their spurious metal as follows: To sixteen parts of pure platinum are added seven parts of brass and one part of zinc; then, having been placed in a crucible, the material is all covered with pulverized charcoal, and kept over the fire until the composition is in a liquid state, and reduced to one uniform mass. This alloy has not merely the color of gold, but possesses its ductility and specific gravity. Iron may be made to look like gold. The preparation used for that purpose consists of three ounces of the yolk of an egg, hard-boiled and beaten, half an ounce of aloes, five grains of saffron, two grains of turmeric, all boiled together in an earthen vessel. By washing the iron in this mixture it will seem at first sight like the finest gold, but it is not likely to pass for the precious metal. The business of manufacturing imitation jewelry is quite extensive in the United States at the present day. Some of the compounds used for the purpose are said to be Mannheim's gold, an alloy of three parts copper, one part zinc and a little tin. If the metals are pure, the alloy bears a very close resemblance to gold. Fincher's is made of five parts pure copper and one part zinc; Prince's metal, three parts pure copper, one part common brass and a little zinc; artificial gold, sixteen parts platinum, seven parts copper and one part zinc, melted together. Fahrum brilliants are made of twenty-nine parts tin and nineteen parts lead, a very fusible and brilliant alloy. Queen's metal, imitation silver, has a fine lustre. It is made of nine parts tin, one part lead, one part antimony, and one part bismuth. Ormolu, or mosaic gold, is made of equal parts copper and zinc. A common composition for trinkets is seventy-five parts gold, twenty-five parts copper, and a little silver. There are many other ways for imitating precious metals with some success, and to the surprise of some persons base enough to attempt the sale of these alloys for the real article.—New York Journal.

ANOTHER CURE FOR CANCER.

Inventions are generally the result of investigation and study, while discoveries are frequently made when another effect than the one obtained has been sought. An interesting confirmation of the correctness of the latter remark has occurred to Janet H. Johnson, of No. 199 Market street, who recommended a week solution of carbolic acid as a wash to correct the stench of a large and offensive cancer. But the application of most immediately removed not only the stench, but also the pain, and ultimately effected a cure of the disease. Since then this remedy has been used with such satisfactory success in numerous cases of cancerous complaints, that if Friend Johnson had been disposed to keep the composition a secret and sell a cancer lotion, so many high testimonials or under the advice of a physician, test the utility of the wash, its composition and mode of use are here given, namely: One-fourth of one ounce of carbolic acid in one quart of water, applied at least three times per day. Friend Johnson recommended dissolving the carbolic acid in the proportion of one-eighth of an ounce to a quart of water, to be taken in doses of one tablespoonful three times a day.—Philadelphia North American.

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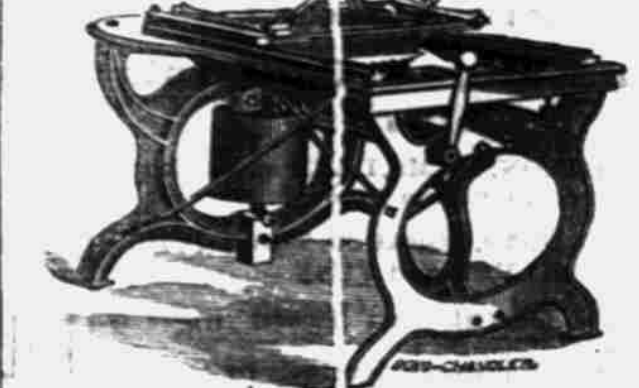
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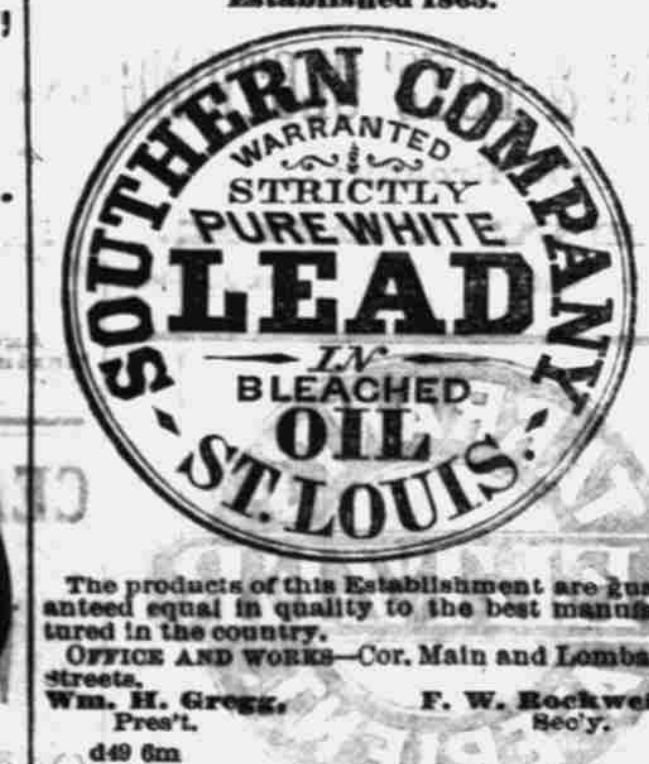
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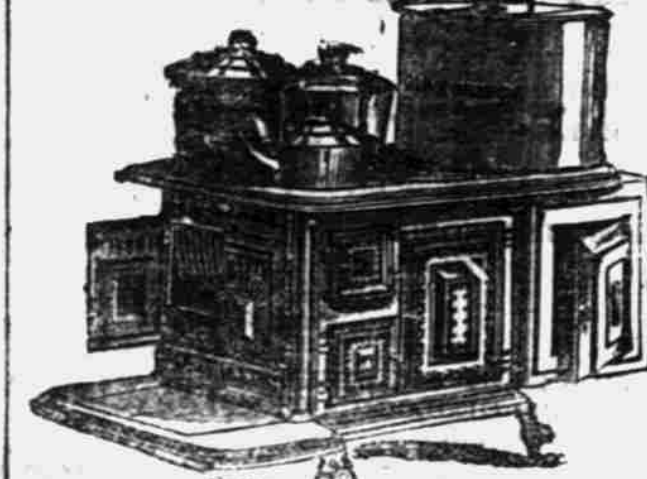
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