# GEORGE Q. CANNON, EDITOR AND PUBLISHERS. And I HAVE A REAL PROPERTY OF March 13, 1870. BALBEIRT.

THE BISSION OF THE PRESS AND TELEGRAPH.

THE New York Herald, in a characterlatic editorial article, published a few days ago, under the head of "Ancient and Modern Preachers," describes the new agencies which have been brought into operation for the dimemination of truth among the inhabitants of the earth. The peculiar office of the oral pteacher is, the Heraid says, no longer what it was. The printing press and the electric telegraph have far outstripped the human heart and voice in the power of preaching, and were they as devoted in their work as the living preachers, the Herald thinks, they would soon and altegether supersede them. These agencies, in the Herald's opinion, are now and henceforth to be the true evangelizers of the world.

The Herald quotes the prediction of Joel respecting the last days, when God will pour out His spirit upon all fissh, so that our sons and daughters shall prophesy, and the young men 314 millions, as had been asserted, four shall see visions and the old men shall hundred millions was nearer the cordream dreams, and the servants and handmalds shall partake of the same influence, and says that the telegraph, the printing press and the locomptive must shire canvass, accusing him of inconhasten forward this time. It asks:

"How can it be believed that, with only the agencies employed in the past, the Curistian Church, at its present rate of inorea-o, shall within the next thirty years reach the millennium, which so many apprehend to be near at hand, and which none have placed beyond the year A.D. 1900 7"

In reply to this it says that it is plain that newer and more powerful agents of Unristianity must be applied to this work, if this haleyon period is to come within this or the next century, or, indeed, at all. After dilating upon the benefits which have followed the circulation of newspapers, the Horaid informs its readers that it will continue to give the community from week to week that measure of moral and religious instruction which it deems they are entitled to receive.

Notwithstanding the egotistical tone of the Herald's article, there is a strong lodged in jail. vein of truth and common sense running through it, which entitles it to notice and consideration. There is nothing more patent to the unpreju- after, the driver who succeeded him diced, reflecting mind than that socalled Christianity is a great failure. It is not the infidel only who perceives that that system, as at present taught and practiced, can never bring about The Fullerton Case-Wilkes Sued for universal peace and the harmonization of the different race, but men of orthodux faith are compelled to acknowladge that, to accomptish such grand lins, District Attorney Pierpoint, and results, other agencies must be others; but nothing of special importbrought into operation, and hence, the idea, breathed in the Herald's article, that the electric telegraph and the newspaper are these agendies. Let it be granted that modern Christianity porsessed the requisite authority and knowledge of the truth, then the utilisation of the press and the telegraph for the achievement of its great ends might be successful. But herein lies the difficulty. A stream cannot rise higher than its fountain. The press and the telegraph possess no inherent virtues in themselves to accomplish this work. While used for the furtherance of Christian civilization, they carry on the work of evangelization upon the same principle as was done previous to their discovery, the only difference being that they carry it on more extensively and with wider-spread influence. But the radical defects of the propagating, they do not correct. Socalle i Christianity being a failure on a limited field, will be none the less a failure when carried on in a more extended sphere; indeed, its faults, inconsistencies and short-comings will only be the more glaringly exemplided. We are quite willing to endorse the general proposition contained in the Herald's article, that the printing press and the electric telegraph can effect much more good in a shorter space than missionaries whose time is spent in orai remedy was in a combination of newsinstruction; also, that these againcies can be made the handmaids of Christi anity. But while the newspaper and the electric telegraph are influenced by the spirit and prompted by the knowlodge and authority which sciuste and direct so-called Christianity, they are exposed to all the evils and are equally ture present. liable to all the failures that have attended that system as it has been propagated under the old method of mission. ary labor. These discoveries can be

THE EVENING NEWS. | good, as all must grant they are, they are also capable, under improper management, of effecting a vast amount of evil. Wnenever these wonderful discoveries shall be under the control of pure, truthful infldences, and be used for the amelioration, redemption and elevation of mankind, then, and not till then, will their full power and usefulness as missionary agencies be fully estimated and understood. That the day is not far distant when they will thus be used we do not doubt.

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# AFTERNOON DISPATCHES.

CONGRESSIONAL.

HOUSE.

#### Discussion on Expenditures.

Beck, a member of the committee on appropriations, addressed the committee on the general subject of the expen-ditures of the government. He asserted that it was a mistaken idea to suppose that the expenses of the present year are less than those of last year. He declared his belief that instead of being rect figure. The discussion was continued by Cox, Voorhees and Marshall, who criticised Dawes' recent speeches in the House and in his New Hampaistency. Dawes defended himself from the accusation and the Administration from charges of extravagance. The House then adjourned till to-morrow.

## MASSACHUSETTS.

Anniversary Celebrated.

Boston .- The fiftieth anniversary of the Mercantile library was celebrated to-night at the Mechanics' Hall; there was a large audience.

TENNESSEE.

# drivers. MEMPHIS.-In Ashby county, Ark. on the 26th ult., a young man, while crasy or drunk, shot and killed Jas.

Johnson, a school teacher from Texas, and while fleeing met four negroes, three men and one woman. He shot and killed two of the former and wounded the woman. He was arrested and

Last week the driver of the mail

# THE IRON HORSE.

BY A. DALYAMPLE.

This is a wondrous fast age, As recent acenes declare; The Telegraph and Railroad, Now traverse earth and air. Even young and tender Utah, The brightest of the Stars; Can boast of a steam whistle, An iron horse and cars.

CHOBUS.

Hurrah for the Railroad, Hurrah for the Railroad. Hurrah for the Railroad, The Utah Central Line.

The day has dawned upon us, The long expected time; When our friends can come to see us, From every land and clime. For the iron horse is steady, He never stops to dream: But neighs when he is ready, And puts her through by steam.

May the sun of peace in splendor, Never cease to shine, On the pleasant vales of Utah;

And the Utah Central Line. And the Saints from every nation,

As numerous as the stars; Come flocking home to Zion, On the Utah Central cars.

Three cheers for Brother Young now, The hero of the line;

May his days and years be many, And his future course divine. May he live to see the iron horse, Through Utah's valleys run;

And steam and electricity,

Apply to

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Or C. DAVEY,

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Their noblest works have done. CENTERVILLE, Jan. 25th., 1870.



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made great instruments of good when properly guided and controlled; but who can describe the dreadful mischiefs an irresponsible, misguided, venal or corrupt

coach between Fort Smith and Little Rock, was shot by a concealed person and dangerously wounded. Two nights was also shot at.

## NEW YORK.

Libel.

NEW YORK .-- In the Fullerton case to-day, evidence was given by Ex-Secretary McCullough, Commissioner Rolance was elicited. The proprietors of the Turf, Field and Farm have sued Geo. Wilkes for libel.

## MAINE.

#### Captial Puntshment Bill Rejected.

AUGUSTA, Me .- In the State Senate. to-day, a bill abolishing capital punishment came from the House amended. The Sanate refused to concurs

### FOREIGN NEWS.

### CANADA.

Difficulty between U. S. and Great Britain about water boundaries of North America - Reports of Parliamentary proceedings.

OTTAWA. - The Under Secretary of foreign affairs informed the House of a system which they are the agents in difficulty between the United States and Great Britain, in regard to the water boundaries of their respective territories in North America, which small scale and while confined to a had been referred to arbitrators. Stafford Northhote inquired if it was true that reports of Parliamentary proceedings for country journals were often forwarded by express instead of tele-graph. The Postmaster General ad-mitted that it was sometimes the case, and explained that the necessity for it

resulted from the competition of news correspondents, which were the fruit of low rates. He said that four news reports were now transmitted where one had hitherto been sent, while the general news was more voluminous than ever. He declared that the only papers.

NOVA SCOTIA. Annexation meeting. HALIFAX .- Last night the annexa tion meeting was largely attended. There were two members of the legisla-White Clover WEST INDIES. arance of cholors-Journals at

ense Captain General of com reenwald's murder-Masons still HAVANA. - The sugar market is

