

we repeat what has come to our ears concerning such men. But we point out this striking feature of their bill which is common to all that kind of special legislation.

Does not this bill demonstrate our point? That is, that the moral position these persons assume is but pretence, aye the veriest sham and the grossest hypocrisy? Mr. Wall's bill, like others of its kind, is directed against something regulated by religious rites, covenants, restrictions and conscientious convictions. But the vilest acts by which men and women degrade themselves below the level of the brutes are carefully left out of the provisions of the bill, and those who indulge in them may go scot free while a man who takes more than one wife to his heart and home under sacred conditions and agreements, and in the highest purity of motive possible in the marriage relation, is to be made subject to the pains and penalties of special enactments against his religion.

The husband of a plural wife, and any person who has been at any time a party to a plural marriage, or belongs to a church in which the doctrine of plural marriage is taught or permitted, is to be disfranchised; while the whoremonger, the adulterer, the pimp, the seducer, the lascivious deceiver of confiding woman, the corrupt and leprous groveller in the foulest puddles of social depravity, is left by this bill unpunished and unrebuked, the peer of E. A. Wall and J. B. Neil and the rest of the conspirators against the best citizens that Idaho can boast!

If the author of this bill for the protection of lechery and the punishment of Bible marriage had lived in the days of the early Christians, they would have exclaimed against him, in the words of the Apostle to the Gentiles, "God shall smite thee, thou whited WALL." But we have no ill-wishes to utter and no exclamations to make. We give his little bill this notice and leave it, agreeing with the sentiment expressed in the following notice of the measure, which we find in the Boise Democrat of Jan. 17th:

"C. B. 18, a bill to disfranchise the citizens of Bear Lake and Oneida counties, was introduced to inflate Johnnie Neil and gratify a little spite on the part of his two or three followers, and is of no consequence whatever. But the secretary took it to Bacon and had it printed forthwith."

PRESIDENTIAL SUCCESSION.

THE bill which has passed the Senate of the United States, to provide for succession to the presidency, will most likely pass the lower House and become a law. That some change in the law was necessary cannot be disputed, but the propriety of placing the presidency within the reach of persons not elected by the people with a view to any such position is, to say the least, very doubtful. However, the possibility of the country being left without a presiding head is not pleasant to contemplate and necessitates some measure of relief. That would be the situation if no new provision was made and President Arthur should die after the close of the present Congress and before the organization of the next, as there would be no Vice-President, nor President of the Senate, nor Speaker of the House to succeed to the position. Following is the text of the bill:

A bill to provide for the performance of the duties of the office of President in case of removal, death, resignation or inability both of the President and Vice-President.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled: That, in case of removal, death, resignation or inability of both the President and Vice-President of the United States, the Secretary of State, or, if there be none, or in case of his removal, death, resignation or inability, then the Secretary of War, or, if there be none, or in case of his removal, death, resignation or inability, then the Secretary of the Treasury, or, if there be none, or in case of his removal, death, resignation or inability, then the Postmaster General, or, if there be none, or in case of his removal, death, resignation or inability, then the Secretary of the Navy, or, if there be none, or in case of his removal, death, resignation or inability, shall act as President until the disability is removed or until the vacancy is otherwise lawfully filled, such officer being eligible to the office of President under the Constitution, and not under articles of impeachment by the House of Representatives of the United States at the time the powers and duties of the office shall devolve upon him provided, that, whenever the powers and duties of President of the United States shall devolve upon any of the persons named herein, if Congress be not then in session, or if it would not meet regularly within 20 days thereafter, it shall be the duty of the person upon whom the said powers and duties shall devolve to issue a proclamation convening Congress in extraordinary session, giving 20 days' notice of the time of meeting.

Sec. 2. That the preceding section shall only be held to describe and apply to those officers who shall have been appointed by the advice and consent of the Senate to the offices therein named.

Sec. 3. That section 146 of the Revised Statutes is hereby repealed.

AN IDAHO BILL.

In the Council of the Idaho Legislative Assembly, 1883, the following was introduced by Mr. Wall, read twice, referred to the Committee on Education, and ordered printed:

AN ACT

To amend an act on pages 183 to 194 inclusive, of the Revised Laws of Idaho, Eighth Session, entitled "An Act Relative to Elections."

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Idaho, as follows:

Sec. 1. That section one of said act be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1. That all male inhabitants over the age of twenty-one years shall be entitled to vote at any election for Delegate to Congress, and for territorial, district, county and precinct officers; Provided, they shall be citizens of the United States and shall have resided in the Territory four months, and in the county thirty days, when they offer to vote, next preceding the day of election; and, Provided further, That no bigamist, polygamist, nor any person who is, or has been, a party to any form of so-called "Celestial or Spiritual plural marriage, nor to the performance of any so-called "religious" rite or ceremony, whereby one man is authorized, empowered or permitted to cohabit with more than one woman, nor any person who now is, or may hereafter become a member of any social, civil, political, cabalistic or ecclesiastical society, body, organization or sect which teaches, sanctions or permits any of the practices hereinabove set forth, or which authorizes or permits the promulgation or practice of any doctrinal right; or the performance of any ceremony, or the practice of any secret device, or artifice whereby one man may be authorized, suffered or permitted to have more than one living and undivorced wife at the same time, or to practice unlawful cohabitation or sexual prostitution under any pretense whatever, shall be entitled to vote at any election held in this Territory, or be eligible for election or appointment to, or be entitled to hold any office or place of public trust, honor or emolument in, under, or for this Territory.

Sec. 2. That section sixteen of said act be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 16. If any person offering to vote shall be challenged as unqualified, by any judge or clerk of election or by any other person entitled to vote at any poll in this Territory, one of the Judges shall declare to the person so challenged the qualifications of an Elector; if such person shall then declare himself duly qualified, and the challenge be not withdrawn one of the Judges shall then tender him the following oath:

"You do solemnly swear (or affirm) that you are a citizen of the United States, of the age of twenty-one years, that you have resided in this Territory for four months, and in this county for thirty days last past. That you are not a bigamist

or polygamist, that you have never been a party to any form of so-called celestial or spiritual plural marriage, or to the performance of any so-called religious rite or ceremony where one man is, or may be authorized, empowered or permitted to cohabit with more than one woman; and that you are not a member of any social, civil, political, cabalistic or ecclesiastical society, body, organization or sect which teaches, sanctions or permits the practice of bigamy or polygamy, or which authorizes or permits the promulgation or practice of doctrinal rites, or the performance of any ceremony, or the practice of any secret artifice or device whereby one man may be authorized, suffered or permitted, or whereby such person may be induced to believe himself authorized, commanded, suffered or permitted to have more than one living and undivorced wife at the same time; or to practice unlawful cohabitation or sexual prostitution under any pretense whatever, and that you have not previously voted at this election."

Provided, That when a person is entitled to vote only for a part of the officers voted for at such election, the oath shall be varied accordingly, and the clerks shall enter the names of all persons on the poll lists, who are challenged and sworn, in brackets, and such evidence shall be presumptive evidence of such votes; and if any person shall refuse to take the oath so tendered, his vote shall be rejected; and provided further, that no volunteer in the service of the United States be allowed to vote at any election in this Territory.

This act shall take effect and be enforced from and after its passage.

REFUTATION OF A LIBEL.

THE following was presented in the Idaho House of Representatives on the 20th of January and was unanimously adopted. While we endorse all that it contains, we think it unnecessary for any respectable person or body to reply to calumnies which are the staple commodity dealt out in a sheet that has no reputation for reliability, manliness, or decency among those acquainted with its true character or that of its scribes:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Boise City, Jan 20, 1883.

Whereas Certain newspapers having circulation in our Territory—namely the Salt Lake Tribune, daily, in its issue bearing date Jan. 16th, '83, contain certain false, scandalous, libelous, and wholly unwarranted statements, which, if accredited, will bring reproach upon the name and character of our Honored Speaker, D. W. Fouch, as well as upon ourselves and our Territory, we feel it to be our duty in behalf of justice, to place upon our records an emphatic denial of the truth of said charges, and our utter detestation of the authors thereof, and of the unworthy and sinister motives which inspired them. Therefore,

Be it Resolved, That our Speaker, D. W. Fouch, has ever performed the duties of his position ably, intelligently, and in a fair and unprejudiced manner, and is entitled to the confidence and respect of this House and of the country.

And that this resolution be spread upon our Journal.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The total number of acres of the public domain which were disposed of in one way or another to individuals during the last fiscal year was 14,809,166.

A national exposition of railway appliances is to be held in Chicago on the 31st of May next, and extended to July 7th. A list of distinguished commissioners and railway men back the scheme.

The fastest train on the New York Central Railroad is the Chicago & Lake Shore special, which runs to Albany, 140 miles, without a stop, at the rate of 40.5 miles per hour. The first 58 1/2 miles are made in one hour and twenty-eight minutes.

An experimental postal-telegraph line is to be completed and put in operation between Chicago and New York by February 1st, the object of which is to furnish a telegraph service that will be so cheap that many business men will use it largely in the place of correspondence by mail.

M. Mayer has laid before the French Academy of Sciences a new method of burial, viz., glass coffins, the air pumped out, and filled with antiseptic gas. Thus, he claims the body could be indefinitely kept uncorrupted.

The Northern Pacific Railroad during that portion of the present year up to the end of October had, it is stated, carried 35,000 head of cattle out of Montana, and it is predicted that next season the road will carry 75,000 head from regions which it will traverse.

One of the curiosities of civilization is the fact that poor people commit small crimes in New York in order to be sent to Blackwell's Island rather than the Alms House. The State takes better care of her criminals than of her poor. That is to say, this is the case in the abstract. In Chicago, the Herald says, criminals take care of themselves and all the rest of the people.

Chicago is convinced that most of the crime in that city is caused by intemperance, and will therefore raise the price of liquor licenses sufficiently to support an increase of her police force. A novel provision in the proposed scheme varies the cost of licenses according to the distances of the bars from the City Hall, the fee increasing as that point is reached.

An ingenious mechanic of Jamestown, N. Y., has constructed a perfect locomotive, said to be the smallest in the world. The engine is only 8 1/2 inches long. The pumps throw a drop of water per stroke. As many as 585 screws were required to put the parts together. The engine itself weighs a pound and a half and the tender two pounds and a half ounce. The mechanic was at work upon the locomotive at intervals for eight years. It is a great pity that so much ingenuity should be wasted. Eight years devoted to a useless production amounts to consummate folly.

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Vine St., Harrisburg, Pa. Dec. 2, 1881. After trying different physicians and many remedies for palpitation of the heart without receiving any benefit, I was advised to try Brown's Iron Bitters. I have used two bottles and never found anything that gave me so much relief. Mrs. JENNIE HESS.

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