

# EVENING NEWS

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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

Paper makers do not admire the postal card. Since its adoption it has caused a terrible shrinking in the demand for writing paper.

The mowing machine ought not to be engaged to cut too low. If grass is cut too close the succeeding crop is much injured, especially if the summer is a dry one.

A scheme is in progress in France to build a railroad across the Desert of Sahara. Africa offers an immense field for the exercise of civilized ingenuity and commercial enterprise.

The reason some men get along so slowly in this world is because they spend two-thirds of their time talking about what they are going to do and during the other third they have to sleep.

An illiterate old bachelor says that if preachers want to put a stop to round dances they should tell the ladies to dance as much as they please, provided their partners are their husbands or brothers.

During three weeks while French workmen were on strike, the amount of salaries which they lost is estimated at seven million francs. Besides this, trade was so disturbed that the loss to the community was much greater. Strikes scarcely ever pay.

An incident which occurred recently in Paris shows with what aversion compulsory military service is regarded by the industrial classes in France. A young seller of sponges, aged 21, shot himself with a revolver in preference to taking his turn of military service according to law. Death was instantaneous.

An infusion of about a pound of quassia-chips to eight gallons of water has been found very useful in preventing blight in peach trees and vines. If some of the infusion is put upon the hands and face after washing in the morning there will be very little inconvenience felt during the day from the attacks of mosquitoes, gnats, or other insect pests.

A very interesting biographical sketch of Queen Victoria appears in the July number of *Harper's Magazine*. It is finely illustrated, as are several other articles, among which "By Paths in the Mountains" is conspicuous for interest and beautiful engravings. There are several new stories, poems and essays, and the number is a splendid one. Harper & Bros., New York; Jas. Dwyer, Salt Lake City.

There is a man at Helena, Texas, who firmly believes that a new edition of the flood will be issued next November. He is building an ark to hold fifty persons, with provisions for forty days and forty nights. He has the spirit of modern gospel-mongers, though, and will take passengers at \$500 per head. He has an eye to the "main chance" and wants to lay up some treasures on earth for a rainy day.

Talmage, of Brooklyn, is still at his mountebank pranks. He is the great "Christian" harlequin of America. A Sunday or two ago he publicly baptized several persons by immersion; on the next Sunday he formed a row of children and adults and sprinkled them each on the forehead. He suits his gospel to the demands of his hearers, and deals out doctrine according to the state of the religious market.

The late President Brigham Young was denounced as "opposed to education" because he advocated the teaching of trades to boys and domestic duties to girls. But we notice that many papers are now adopting the same ideas which he advanced on this subject. The Chicago Times says: "One thing to which no attention is paid, and which is yet a most imperative want, is a school for the instruction of girls and young women in the nature and duties of domestic service. Such a school could not but do an immense amount of good."

A gushing and idealistic damsel thus writes to an eastern paper on the subject which is uppermost in the budding female mind: "The man for me to love is vastly my superior, not so much in intellect, but in irresistible force of character; a man who will compel my spirit to bend to his; who will command my soul to stand still and shine on him, as Joshua commanded the sun; who can trample my will to dust beneath the tread of his irresistible and indomitable energy and fixity of courage. I require he should make me worship and fear him, and that, instead of guiding and protecting me, he should master me. Lots of young women think like this." So-soon for romance. Tell me, if he gets a man who will try to be her master, she will either remarry with a rolling pin or seek relief in a divorce.

A Boston religious journal tells the truth in the following unusually straight, bold and unpopular manner, but expresses sentiments that blunt haters of sham will cordially endorse: "A man who professed to be a very devout Christian, giving his money where his name will go, into the newspapers, being prominent at church meetings, frowning upon everything that he does not like and spurning everybody who does not agree with him, yet taking his place among us, foreclosing every man whose property for half its value, or failing every few years and paying ten cents on the dollar—such a man is more repulsive to the Almighty than any hypocrite."

God does not want any sham or pretenders, but Christian men, whose love cleaves down to the core.

## AN AGE OF SENSUALISM.

THAT this is an age and a country of wide-spread sensualism, no candid observer can deny in his own mind, however unwilling he might be to express his convictions openly. It is because of the "lascivious" spirit that prevails that so many people are indisposed to look at the marriage system of the "Mormons" in its true light. With most of those persons matrimony is but a means of indulgence in animal desire, and therefore they can see nothing in plural marriage but increased opportunity for lustful gratification. A pure-minded man or woman is willing to look at the subject from another standpoint, and to view it apart from such gross and unworthy considerations. But to the impure all things are impure and the manner in which plural marriage is usually assumed, indicates the low and grovelling nature of its violent advocates.

That sensualism is an increasing characteristic of modern times may be plainly perceived by the tone of men's conversation, the increase of popular literature and the relish with which some tinted story or piece of scurrilous mag. is received, even in a crowd of supposed gentlemen of more than average intelligence and standing in society. And that they judge the "Mormon" patriarch—aye, and the ancient scriptural patriarch, too—so low a standard is evidence of the condition of their own morals. They measure other people's sins by their own half-measure.

That we may not be considered singular in our strictures, we clip a paragraph on this subject from the Boston *Religious Herald*, which after declaring that the drift of modern life is to "infuriate sensualism" says:

"In society no effort is made to hide it; sensuality is the subject of every conversation, the sigh of every heart. For this purpose are multiplied those temples where burns continually the incense of this unclean idol. The theatres are crowded; and these representations are filled with scenes calculated to raise that the masses, and so clean the poor may be present, at their night after night. Balls are no longer the boon of the rich class. Gambling houses, dens of infamy, taverns, libraries filled with immoral and irreverent books are only to be found in every city, not only but every town and village. The world only one thought to find expression in the arts, so clean the poor may be present, at their night after night. Balls are no longer the boon of the rich class. Gambling houses, dens of infamy, taverns, libraries filled with immoral and irreverent books are only to be found in every city, not only but every town and village. 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