

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Bridgeport (Conn.) Standard says it has always urged the policy to let the "Mormons" alone, and further, "We have not had the least confidence in the recent reports, stated by the [New York] Herald correspondent, that the Mormons were preparing for war."

The Society of Friends, vulgarly called Quakers, numbers in England 14,441 members, an increase in one year of 188. Out of the ninety-five marriages of members during the year forty-nine broke the rules of the Society and joined their fate with outsiders. The "Friends" are a moral, worthy people, and the effects of their sobriety and peaceful habits are shown by their longevity.

The Oakland Transcript, referring to a preacher's strike for wages, says, "When a mean congregation endeavors to obtain its gospel at half price, it should be held up to public ridicule." We think that a gospel that has to be sold is a swindle at any price. The true gospel is imparted "without money and without price."

The Pueblo (Colorado) Chieftain says, "Stage robbing has become an entirely too frequent occurrence to make the ride from Cheyenne to Deadwood pleasant. General Crook has cleaned out the Indians pretty well; would it not be a good idea to turn him loose on the bandits this summer? There is not enough hanging going on in the Black Hills country."

William Miller, of Australia, and Theobald Bauer, of France, had a Greco-Roman wrestle for the championship of the world, \$400 and gate-money, at New York, June 30. Miller's weight was 196 lbs., and Bauer's 175 lbs. Miller won one fall and Bauer one. Soon after twelve, midnight, the match was stopped by the police, as it infringed upon Sunday, and it was declared a draw.

This is the modern Christian way of giving the lie—"the Christian Life (Orthodox) calls Rev. M. D. Conway (Unitarian) 'The Apostle of Inaccuracy,' whereupon the Christian Register (Unitarian) retaliates by remarking that, 'If there is any trusting to the testimony of careful and accomplished scholars, Rev. Joseph Cook may hopefully contend with his transatlantic rival for the palm, or belt, awarded to the champion blunderer.' Possibly both are right."

It is said that in consequence of the reciprocity treaty, the desire to engage in the cultivation of the sugar cane in the Sandwich Islands has become a perfect furore, and that clerks, professional men, and in fact individuals of almost every class are turning their attention to an industry which has made the fortunes of those engaged in it. Planters are said to be counting money, and millionaire visions are indulged in.

Mr. Sidney Dillon, says the Omaha Herald of June 27, stated, the day previously, concerning Mr. Edward Creighton, "Six years ago I gave him \$25,000 to invest in the cattle business for me if he saw a good opening. I did not take a scratch of the pen from him to show that he had been given the money, for I knew that it was safe. The investment was not made, but my money was afterwards returned by Mr. Creighton with interest in full."

"The American Giantess" is dead. Her show name was Miss Fanny Wallace. Her real name was Mrs. Ruth Benton. She formed one of the circus side shows for many years and was a heavy attraction. She bumped the scales when living at 555 pounds. Her height was 7 feet 4 inches. It took eight men and a block and tackle to lower into the grave the coffin containing her remains. It was a great funeral—so far as the corpse was concerned.

A religious monthly says, "Many ministers are seeking work in Colorado. It is well they do not know what is before them. They will probably be more anxious to get away than they were to come. If we were out of debt and had better churches, and more of them, and had a large membership and they were very pious and very liberal, then Colorado would be desirable. But now we have stupendous debts, few churches, few people, nearly all poor, and on the whole as hard a field of labor as can well be found."

The Boston Commercial Bulletin says the Israelite is a light that Judge Dillon cannot put out.

The New York Sun of June 28 says, "What are troops wanted for in Utah? The interest of the people there is in peace as the true road to prosperity. There are to be found plenty of covetous and unscrupulous Gentiles, who have for years been plotting in one form or another to get possession of the Territory and its wealth, as an easy road to fortune for which they are unwilling to work. Officeholders have often joined in these crusades, the object of which is to drive the Mormons away and to step into the prosperity they have created."

The Commander of the royal paddle yacht Osborne has sent to the British Admiralty a report of the appearance of the sea serpent, as seen by the officers of that vessel off the Italian coast in the afternoon of June 2. "It was a gigantic monster with a sleek skin like that of a seal, and displayed a long ridge of fins, each fin about six feet long, while from its sides extended two fins, about fifteen feet in length, by which the monster paddled, turtle-fashion. The head was bullet-shaped, about six feet in diameter, with an elongated termination; its neck was narrow, and it had a trunk like a gigantic turtle."

The Helena (Montana) Herald says, "During his recent visit to Salt Lake, Sidney Dillon stated that the receipts of the Union Pacific for passengers had fallen off over \$5,000 per month since the Salt Lake and New York Herald had begun the publication of sensational stories about troubles in Utah, as many people are now actually afraid to visit or pass through that Territory. While the railroad company has lost this little sum, the Territory has lost hundreds of thousands of dollars, for capital is very shy and can easily be driven out of any country. It also shows the power of the press upon the public mind. The people looked upon the railings of the as harmless, but they now see that they have a viper in their midst." Any fool can do mischief, if he can do no good.

DON'T—The Toronto Globe prints a long letter from an English farmer in Kansas. It is in the nature of advice to people contemplating removal to the States, and its burden is, "Don't!" Kansas is very pretty to look at in summer, this homesick Briton says, but it is not nearly so pretty to live in. He has tried it for ten years, and his eyes have been thoroughly opened. It is a feast or a famine there all the time. One year he has sold corn for ten cents a bushel, and the very next year he has had to buy it at \$2.50. If any farmer has made money at legitimate farming, he doesn't happen to have met him. Even as a grazing country, Kansas isn't what it was, and it is deteriorating every year. In the decade he has seen four crops of wheat winter killed, and four seasons of grasshoppers—five, counting the present one. The hot south wind that begins to blow this month is a sort of young monsoon, as destructive as disagreeable. Then the ways of the natives are not as English ways, nor their morals as English morals. It is impossible, in this observer's judgment, for old country people to become Americanized. "Americanizing," he explains, "means sharpening up, and it means whitening down to the very keenest point of polished, brazen impudence, if not of rascality itself."

A San Francisco old lady refused to listen to "Bob I person or any other man who don't believe in his sins." She said she had "seen 'em herself," and no one could make her believe she hadn't.

Scene at the church door. Lady to sexton: "They say our poor minister is very ill; pray, what is the matter?" Sexton (gruffly): "Gout, madam." Lady, in a voice: "Is there no cure?" Sexton: "Yes, madam; give him my salary."

A girl may be awful full of emotion at this season but she will generally find room to crowd away three plates of strawberries and cream along side of it.—Boston Free Press. Well, can you expect her to get up so much emotion on nothing?

A Sabbath school teacher was attempting to teach a very small boy the meaning of "wages" in the passage, "The wages of sin is death," and asked him, "What does your father get on Saturday night?" "Drun' k, ma'am!" answered the boy, without any hesitation.

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