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The Opposition." THE CLAIMS OF POLYGAMY. A social system, 'like any other system, can only be judged, righteously, by its fruits. The fruits of polygamy are soperior to those of monogamy. Thestitution among Mormons is unknown, this alows that it is not matural for women to sell themselves sexually, promiscu-ously, and they would not, unless driven to do so hy want or by other equally potent reasons. Polygamy provides so fully for women that there is never any need for women to prosti-tution. More than this, it gives opportunity for the natural exercise of the different degrees of passion in men. Some men naturally require only one woman of average sexual strength. Others require more, and it is better, so long as the manner of obtaining this exercise is pretend wide enough in its provisions to provide for all contingencies, which legal monogany does not. The consequence of this failure is, that its un-matural requirements and the morality that prostitution will always exist, so long as fegal morgamy is mantained. Moreover, legal monogany does not. The transmark is in the control of the wile, sexually, as well as otherwise, is a great outrage upon the wile, since it frequently so happens that and requirements and the morality that the woman in whom it is alwost wanting. Previous to maringe, in all other regards they may have been seemingly in accord; but when too late is man whose sexual demands her constitution can-not stand, and she gradually sinks into a hope-condition and resorts to prostitution to save her. Now this is where polygamy is again superior monogamy. It recognizes that there are dif-ferent sexual natures and provides for them. In the sexual abuse of her husband while in mon-ogamy to previse servery here is no firent strand, and she gradually sinks into a hope-condition and resorts to prostitution to save her. Now this is where polygamy is again superior monogamy. It recognizes that there are dif-ferent sexual natures and provides for them. In

### OBJECTS AND METHODS.

The objects and methods of Labor Reform are not well u iderstood. The struggle-will be long, and severe, and require forbearance. The privileges to be contested are as sacred as the suppos-ed rights by which they are held. Isay supposed rights, for the liberty of con-trolling inorganic substances, spontane-ous productions, natural privileges and conditions as property, is only a suppos-ed right. For, since in them are stored not only all the material elements of rivilization, but also the sustenance of Young in veconut an Claim's Weekly.
INTERSET ENCOURAGES INDUSTRY.
I differ irreconcitably with those who argue that interest is unjust—that a creditor should receive the amount he loaned, and no more.
If an apple-tree of fourlyears' growth is naturally more valuable than one of one or two years', then, it seems clear that he who loaned ime \$300, still organd, with which I bought a hunnted appe-trees from a nursery three years ago, has not a larger clain upon me than if he had loaned more larger clains upon me than if he had loaned mo the like sam wherewith to porclase similar treesome year ago. So the triify farmer who lend it on promise of repayment out of here years diverse in the based-wheat at sowing-time, while his poor neighbors have none, being solicited by the the next crop, might hairly say, "If you are to pay me harely, the quantity fent, I "prefer to keep my wheat and be sure of it, "rather to thend it at the risk of keing it."
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and the same cach person subject to the same essential relations, and the exercise of the same criphts evolves the same duties, therefore, all rights, privileges and munities may be justly exercised, on the same conditions, by every individual, as by any individual. By virue of the essential relations existing between all persons, and be tween each person and the material uni-verse, every human being that respects the rights of others, has a right: "First-ro, set spart, or have set apart for public surface of the earth, in any locality, show any inorganic substances, spontaneous any inorganic substances, spontaneous in proved or unimproved, provided, that there be paid as compensation, at or be fore the time agreed upon an equivalent tor all sacrifices of improvements, time goest, any ground, improved or unin-pose by others, nor needed for a public goest any ground, improved or unin-pose by others, and net meagreed upon, an equivalent for all sacrifices of improvements, time and utilized labor, if any, imposed on others by the exercise of the ins right. Third. To person ally and properly cultivate, improve-pave access to, and occupy, for the public sufficient land for all sacrifices of improvements, time and utilized labor, if any inposed on others by the exercise of the silf for pose of growing products of the soil for him or herself and rightful dependers in any and properly cultivate, improve-pave a coust that land for the soil for him or herself and rightful dependers in any and properly cultivate, improve-paves by its holders, and not needed for public use, nor for the foundation of bing used in this way, and for the soil for him or herself and rightful dependers in any coultiv, where found not being used in this way, and for the soil for provided, that they pay as compension or soil soil the bill. The prose by thers at rates not exceeding cost, if provided, that they pay as compension or soil soil stributed to the sufficient land for the foundition of by others at rates not exceeding cost if provi

nate industry, oppress the poor, produce poverty, ignorance and crime and de-range all human affairs. While I warmly approve of every measure which, without interforing with the exercise of any right, prevents fraud, or enforces voluntary free contracts, or in any way perfects a circulating medi-um. I protest against any laws, re-stricting individuals, in their private money transactions, from, or to, the use of any honest, individual, corporate, or national coins, or bills of credit, whether such coins, or bills be well or ill secured or honored. Because such laws destroy the relations nor screasers for the exercise of the right of free contract, and give to

Jan'y. 1871. We quote from memory when we state that 19,000,000 tons were mined in 1871, but are nearly correct. The average price on the lat of Sept. of that year received by the coal companies was 85.03. Remember now we are dealing with the *principals*, and that the *middle men* are still to be paid be-fore the consumer foots the bill. The profits on 20 million tons of coal to the companies are something over 50 mill-ions of dollars. Mr. Govan the Presi-dent of the Reading Road in his Report of 1870 frankly admits that over ten mill-tons of dollars were distributed to the stock holders in stock dividends, schile 817,597,250 of actual nett carnings have been invested in permanent improve-ments. Remember we are still dealing with *principals* and those of only one company. Now for the *middle men*. The lowest average in the fall of 1871 was \$8.00, or \$3 00 per ton to the mid-dle men amounting to some 60 millions of dollars dover cost of produc-tion 100 millions of. Thus we find the consumer taxed over cost of produc-tion 100 millions of dollars for one of the prime necessities of life that belongs to them by right as one of the earth's *natural products* equally with air and water. But the tariff of extortion 'does not

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small measure (or No. 14 coal hod). The amount thus sold can not be accu-rately ascertained, but to be entirely safe ill place it at 4-million tons, or one we will place it at 4 minimized to be fifth the whole consumption. We have repeatedly weighed this *small measure* whose average price is one shilling (12 1-2 cts.) which brings the price of a (12.1.2 ctk.) which of the point proceryman ton of coal to the corner groceryman (universally of a poor quality), at \$22.-50 per ton. The net profit on this 4 millions of tons between the cost of millions of tons between the cost of mining and the price paid by the needy, helpless toiler is 81 millions of dollars. Thus by a sort of *Oraduated Taxation*, where the poorer and less able classes are made to bear the great burthens of all our made to be the price tone of one basic taxes, those 4 million tons of coal, paid for by the toil, suffering and endurance of the producers of wealth, the workers, amount to nearly as much as the othe amount to nearly as much as the other four-fifths to make up, the 20 millions consumed in the whole country. Four-fifths of the consumers pay 100 millions profit, while the one-fifth pays 81 mill-ions. "O God that coal should be so dear, And flesh and blood is ocheap." We would recommend quite a differ-ter to construct the refuge to rom

ent scale of graduated la ration to rem-edy this giant evil which is not the fault of the coal companies. They are sim-ply working upon the buy cheap and sell dear principle of the business world, and we make no issue with them person and we make no issue with them person-ally. It is this periodous system of im-mense accumulations that is piling up mountains of wealth to be used in mon-opolizing all the great staples of life. What we want and must have, if we would save this republic, is a *limitation* to the a quisition of these enormous for-tunes and to TAX BACK into the hands of the industrious musses these immense amounts of wealth that have been earn-ed by and belong to the people, and should be REUSED in making the condition of society better and less oppressive. Then would these coal mines, really belonging to the whole people, be given up to the State to be worked by miners at a living remuneration, while the reo-ple would receive and pay for their coal, not over \$3.00 per ton. We have faith not over \$3.00 per ton. to believe that just such a revolution will come and that too in the near "by and by." The tighter the bonds of oppression are drawn, the sooner must they break; and we say to the great indus-trial and middle classes "As your feel these bonds tightening about you and yours, diligently work for your own lib-eration through the beneficent measure of graduated laxation and patiently await the hour of your triumph in the Right the hour of you. It will surely come. Јопн II. Keyser.

-Farmers will not much longer sneeze every time an editor takes souff. Here Kossuth, some years ago said, "Bay-onets think." The time has come when the source at the source of th plowshares do likewise. On our statutes stands a law that evalues a role bar stantes stands a law that evalues a role of greenbacks, and say to us farmers, "There's my farm that I cultivate in well-furnished parlors, lying on luxurious so fas, or walking on plush carpots, ankle deep; it yields me from twelve to twenty per cent. clear of cost, and free from such vulgar vicissitudes as dry weather, cut worms, grass-hoppers, or clinch bugs, and your mud farms shall pay the additional tax that is taken off of this paper farm."—Henry Bronsor

-The uniform, constant, and uninter -The uniform, constant, and unincer-rupted effort of every man to better his condition - the principle from which public and national, as well as private, op-ulence is originally derived—is frequent-ly powerful enough to maintain the nat-ural progress of things toward improve-ment in spite both of the extravagance of the Concernment and the gradest erof the Government, and the greatest er-ror of the Administration; just as peo-ple get well not only in spite of the dis-case, but in spite of the absurd prescrip-tions of the doctor.—Adom Smith.

- That gigantic injustice inflicted upon by the usurpation of the soil—by the breach of their rights to the use of the earth, -for this civil power is responsi-ble-has itself been a party to the ag-gression-has made it legal, and still de-tends it as a right.-Herbert Spencer.

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### The Word, PRINCETON, SEPTEMBER, 1874

THE EDITOR OF THE WORD will accept calls to lecture upon the following sub-jects: "Labor: Its Relations to Property Jects: "Labor: its Relations to Property and Usary;" "Abolition of Rent, Interest and Profits:" "The Natural Rights of Woman;" "Love and Marriage;" "Abo-lition of The State;" "War Methods of Peace;" "Ideas and Institutions."

No Earthquake has yawned to swallow

-No Earthquake has yawned to swallow us up notwithstanding that Mr. II R. Harding Editor of the Cambridge (Mass.) Press, has been in our midst "takin notes" as follows:-While at Princeton, the other day a large good-looking ed fice was pointed out to us as a summer boarding house kept by Mr. E. II. Heywood, the somewhat famous la bar reformer. Mr. Heywood has heretofore announced that "rent is robbery and profit only another name for plunder." If he lives up to the doctrine that he preaches, and charges his boarders only the actual cost of tood, lodging and attendance, he will get plenty of custom. But we rather supped that Bo. Heywood does about as other people do,-makes hay while the san shines, and charges a fair profit upon his investment, time and trouble. The "edifice" in question is owned by Mrs. Angela T. Heywood, we having a

Mrs. Angela T. Heywood, we having a chance, in connection with it, to earn our board and clothes. It was built so largely on borrowed capital that the vy item of interest makes it impossible for the proprietor to get nucle "prof-it", were she disposed to take it. I hough the steady gain of this resort, in public favor, is gradually enhancing the value of property still no house recently buil here would sell for cost; and, if the owners of such houses were obliged to square up, they would "make a loss" of their own labor and some money put in besides. Mr. Harding is not probably one of those who go to summer resorts nore anxious to exact high living and incersuit waiting-on than they are to pay the cost thereof, but he acquiesces in a system which pays higher for writin a system which pays inguer for which ing for newspapers, preaching "the gos-pel", money-changing and lawyers' prac-tices than it does for the more useful pursuits of washing, scrubbing floors and emptying slops. Until he serves and emptying slops. Until he serves his time at the wash tt b, in the kitchen or at chamberwork we fear he will not be in the right state of mind to estimate the "cost" of keeping boarders. While therefore we have no desire to exempt A. T. H. from the practical application of labor-reform principles, and conceder that, if she accumulates anything be-youd fair pay for her own labor, she is a thief, it may be well for our critic to get his head level on the whole subject of equity before he goes into judicial ermine.

Of course one who intelligently does Of course one who interligency, use-usiness on the cost principle will have 'plenty of custom'', as Mr. Harding'in-the bay who produces the best timates, for he who produces the best article at the lowest price is sure to have article at the lowest price is sure to have the lead in any line of affairs. Since nothing would so quicken enterprise generally as the abolition of both the power and the desire to accumulate speculative profits we are surprised to notice that so naturally bright and honest a man as our critic seems to be can ardently acquiesce in a system which enriches a cunning, non-working few at the expense of the industrious many. Though he is yet so far from right that

take twenty per cent. interest on money if he could get it; to Geo. E. Mc Niel who publicly protested, at Rochester, N. Y., against the financial plauks of the Industrial-Congress platform; and to Rev. Jesse H. Jones who in the June Equity applanded Graft's going-over-to-Wall-St. veto of the inflation bill. As to "the subjection of women" these same. "eight-hour men" originated and enact-ed a tenhour law which abolishes the natural right of women to make their natural right of women to make their wn labor contracts; they also ardently uphold a marriage institution which ab solutely annuls woman's natural right solutely infinite women's natural makes to control her own person, and makes the exercise of reason upon her sexual destiny a crime! If Mr. Jones knows of any more complete "subjection of women" than this we will thank him to name it.

. Mr. Jones also thinks we ought not to denounce his "Mother," the State. We have too high a regard for his veracity to suppose that he was really born of any such fraud as he, editorially looks up to, as his 'mother." Of a col tection of 1000 citizens [supposing the women counted in, as they never were] 501, that is a majority, favor war and vote it; the other 499 vote against if; nevertheless the 501, because they are "the majority," proceed to take the lection of 1000 citizens [supposing the "the majority," proceed to take the property and the lives of the 449 to car y on their infamous business! As Mr Jones has given scholarly attention to the grounds of moral obligation we would like him to show us the chapter, in Christian or "Infidel" ethics, which says people are morally bound to do suys people are morany bound to do what they not only never agreed to do, but what they actually protested against doing. He cannot do it. We are sur-prised that his ideas of ethics affe so crude that he can think that this majority swindle called "the State" is entitled to filial reverence, or that it is the "moth-' of our associated destiny. People associate because reason, conscience and their spiritual and material interests incline them to do so. The state, that is the power which exists, not on its own merits, but by usurping force suf-ficient to exterminate all opposition, is the greatest existing hindrance to natur-

the greatest existing hindrance to natur-al and equitable unity. PROMISCUTY. W. N. Slocum, Ellitor of Common Sense, San Francisco, Sali-fornia, says Mrs. Woodhull, in her Idedeath, and warned her hearers from it as from the road to hell." The Chicago as from the road to hell." The Chicago Times reports her as saying on her way home, that Theo.lore Tilton was once her "devoted lover" and many nights "slept in her arms." In the Spiritualist Con-vention at Chicago last year she defend-ad prostitution as a institualist means of vention at Chicago last year she defend-ed prostitution as a justifiable means of supporting her *Weekly*—which reminds us of Southern Churches that owned slave-breeding plantations devoting the proceeding plantations devoting the proceeds to the support of the ministry, arguing that "the gospel" out out possibly be preached there unless young "niggers" were annually raised and sold to pay the minister! Since the common cry against "promiscuity" is," sold to pay the minister! Since the common cry against "promiscuity" is, when honcest, simply the old fear that liberty is unsafe, and since it is apparent that Mrs. Woodhull herself is "promis-cuous", to the extent that she thinks best, she ought to be aware that in pre-tending to be one thing on the platform and being quite another in private can result in nothing but proving herself to be either a fraud or foolish. Act Stein-way Hall after forcibly stating the free love idea she afterwards flatly denied it in the same speech. In declaiming against riches a cunning, non-working few at the ding to be one thing on the platform to the expected of the diberately undertakes to defend in the sent sequence in the diberately undertakes to defend in the sent sequence in the diberately undertakes to defend in the same speech in declaming against way I lall after forcibly stating the free tow idea she after wards flatly denied it in the same speech in declaming against "promisculty." When we asked her public?" We do not like to criticise her but must shall reprint some of his views and do us "On that was only for the public?" We do not like to criticise her but must seriously remind Mrs. Woodhull that, under it is eatior, in reply to our assertion for the N. E. Labor-Reform League, that "the most influential cighthour men side with the money oligarchy and sause to the subjection of women," does not "know" whom we referred to Ira-Steward whe sconts finan-rical reform as a trick of capitalists to divide workingmen, and says he would

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hull to be a very different woman from what she is taken to be by reformers generally. While it is evident that he asserts very much more than he can prove, his purpose is probably sincere, and this pamphlet will be, to many, an interesting lesson in the School of Scan-dal in which Rev. Henry Ward Beecher word study at the head of the first class now stands at the head of the first class. We have less interest in what the Doctor says because he seems to be more tor says because he seems to be more anxious to bring a prominent, advocate of free love ideas into discepute, than he is to vindicate the ideas themselves. *The Champion of Humanity* especially, which is known chiefly in connection with this studied assault upon <u>Mra</u>. Woodhull, is a thinly disguised retreat from free lave outposts into the old marriage camp. So long as Mrs. Wood-hull continues to be far ahead of Drs. Smith and Treat in the discovery and practical assertion of essential truth the people will rightfully listen to her doctrines though she may be personally as bad as they assert. Their anxiety as bad as they assert. Their anxiety for "the cause" will not command re-spect while their shots are aimed at its most conspicuous exponent rather than at the common enemy.

at the common enemy. —The Buston City government have suppressed, as "not conducive to good morals," "Passion's Perils," a play re-cently put upon the stage of the How-ard Athenæum, one of the "City Fathers" however giving as the real reason for their action that the play "is prejudicial to the case of Henry Ward Beecher"! to the case of lifeting ward becomer r The questionable relations of U.ese"(City Fathers" to the City Mothers and Daughters of Boston better fit them to side with the lecherous preacher of Brooklyg than to protect the morals of the community. The City-government has no more right to attempt to deter-mine what is moral in a play than what is religion in a sermon.

-The St. Louis Republican is prophet enough to see that the split in the democratic party, on finance, is destined to widen. The democratic state Conventions of Ohio, Indiana and Missouri have tions of Onio, indiana and Missouri have declared for greenbacks, as against the bondholders, and will carry the West and South generally with them. It is "Pendletonism", just now, but Free Money and Repudiation will ultimately come to the front in the great battle of Productive Enterprise with Usury. Al-though the republican party may flat a while worn the space layers dead as the while upon the specie basis fraud, as the tool of speculative piracy it is already damned to merited oblivion.

-The Labor-Reform state Convention - In Labor Actorn state Convention at Framingham though not largely at-tended, was a spirited gathering and furnished an opportunity for representa-tive exponents of thought to 'exchange views, and consider methods and meas-views, and consider methods and measres of action. The eight-hour-law fol-y, which has reduced the labor party of ures of action. Massachusetts to tame significance, has nearly run its course. While any step nearly run its course. While any step towards decisive action is interesting, our friends will find that their intrusive policy invades Natural Right and will be chiefly serviceable in its failure.

-MR. Kwszs's article upon "Goal Mon-opolics" is timely. All the great com-panies in Penn, have combined to force up the price of coal in order, during the coming fall and winter, to make their systematic plander of poor consumers

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WORD.
 The friends of labor are beginning to see the fact that the central cause of the inequalities of society consists of a barbarous practice of paying tribute to past labor, in a thousand and one forms ; which practice is not only uncalled for, but is in reality the aboundant on of all three and the source of all nations. -*U* is called *Laterest* on Morey. As light threaks in upon the human mind it will come to be the Badge of Barbarisa. This trath lass been, more or less, clearly seen by a law persons for many thousand years. Let us enanciate it so that all who run may read. This trath lass been, more or less, clearly seen by a law persons for many thousand years. Let us enanciate it so that all who run may read. The right, the wrong, the cause of the wrong, the cause of the wrong, the general and the source of th

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these hypocrites are bestowing on us to-day.— Mattie Sawyer Associate Editor Hull's Crucible, —They tell of a hen which I anded down the ruging tide at Mill Rirer, for some distance, in the barrel where she was laborloadly "cover-ing" nineteen eggs. She attended strictly to business during the Aod, fanally brought up in a friendly harbor, and has since left her barrel with nineteen entickens at her heels.—Spring-field Union.

n friendly harbor, and has since left her barrel with nineten chickens at her heels.-Saring-field Union. **INVELLATIONS** From Dawn, Valcour community, to Brotheis and sisters greeting:----We invite your attention to the important fact-we have made an axtensive, complete, reliable examination of the superb and magnitude grataity of one thousand and ten acces of Land for our community enterprise. Much of the area is under cultivation. To percet the mag-nitude of this majestic enterprise, we wish it extan-sively and fully known. - This Locality--Our Base and Pocal centre--Prily combines the best attrac-tions of other lands concentrated. We feed insured its equal in intrivie excellence could not have been found in the Northern and Middle States. Our circular is issued--Order or write--and we will send. We aim to given any and all particulars is to location-our plans for immediate action, the noble objects,-hopps and aim ave loves owill. And to which we plechag our lives to illustrate the Principles of Social Science. La very ridical Reference, far nud near, send immediately for our circular. Please send stamps to ineurs. Mag. 17th 1804. <u>Constructions</u> a prompt reply. Address Box 13 Winocki, Vermont. Add ENTS WANTED: Throughout the States-Constode and England to canvass for The Co-op-erative Publishing Co. Working Girls and Women, and energistic Boys and Men are espec-illy successful. Those wishing steady, leadthy, nad remumerative employment, which also helps people to batter idens of life, and more utuable dealings with each other, should ad-dress the Co-operative Publishing Co. Prince-for the have babe one forever when the sexual subject can be shut out from pub-lic discussion. The press and the churches have tabooced it; but such af-fairs as the Beecher Tilton secandal break down all barriers to free discussion and it becomes the fails of the world. We never shall have a clean world, we

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### MEASURES OF VALUE.

**MEASURES OF VALUE.** Congress has "fixed" the length of the yard by saying that it shall be thirty-six inches; and has "fixed" the length of the inch by say-ing that the distance between the axis of sus-pension and the centre of oscillation of a pendu-lum that vibrates seconds, in vacuo, in the tow-er of London, at the level of the sea, shall be 0.1303 inches. If all the yardsticks and inch-measures in the world should be destroyed to-day, we could replace them all tomorrow by others exactly like them, since they are all re-ferred to a natural, invariable, and indestructi-ble standard of length. And this standard is easily computed, at soon as we have not excer-tained by actual experiment, the length of the pendulum that swings seconds in New York or Beston. The measure of length being "fixed" by its reference to a natural standard of length, it becomes easy to determine a measure for ca-pacity. The lawful bushed of the U.S. contains 2,150.4 colic inches; and, so long as we have the lawful inch measure, it will be easy for us to construct a ressel which will serve us for dry measure. Now, when Congress decreed that you, if the measure of the products of labor, and it the intention of referring the U.S. unit of measure for value to a visible, actual, and material standard. Gold is a product of labor reversed the labor in respect to value. Each product of labor in created in more or less time and inch handre alloy, in 1000 parts of coin, it was with the intention of referring the U.S. unit of measure for value to a visible, actual, and material standard. Gold is a product of labor. Frey product of labor measures every other product of labor in respect to value. Each product of labor in respect to value. Each product of labor in respect to value. Each product of labor in respect to value. Seen product of labor in charted in terms of products a greater or less necessary intensity or repulsiveness of exertion; and some products a matural measures of value, since cost of labor. Kery product a blob in measur

The cost is in the long run the regulator of values. In my humble opinion, gold and silver are, under existing circumstances, the best standards of ralue that can be adopted. It know that Josiah Warren says,-corn, but I think the gold dollar varies less in value from Illinois to Massachusetts than does the bushel of corn. The cost in other products, taking them gener-ally, of a gold dollar, which, in both states, is a toreign product, is about the same in Illinois and in Massachusetts; but the cost of a bushel of corn is greater in Massachusetts than it is in Jilinois. What does the (National Labor Union) address mean, when it says, "The rate of inter-est determines the value of money?" If money commands six per cent. in Boston, and only three per cent, in London, it does not at all fol-low that the same nominal amount of fuoney will buy twice as much merchandize in America as it will in England. Agoin, one hundred dollars at six per cent, interest, is the same in both cases. The rate of interest is the borrower; and the distress and distress of the borrower; de-termine to the mido (, the usarre, the value of his lownable the mido (, the usarre, the value is taking the mido), the usarre, the value of his lownable distress of the borrower; de-termine to the haid (, the usarre, the value of his lownable day. When the address says, "Labor produces,-interest states], it takis in the salit folly. Mr Kellogg wrote his book more than twenty

his loanable funds. When the address says, "Labor products,--interest steals," it talks in-telligibly. Mr. Kellogg wrote his book more than twenty years ago. His statements of facts and criti-cisms are invaluable; but his constructive theo-ries are utterly worthless. His book is a light-house to lure financial mariners to their destruc-tion. In the address under consideration, Mr. Kellogg, though dead, yet speaketh. The Bi-ble tells as that when Ahithophel saw that Ab-salom had given himself over to follow false counsel, "the saddled his ass, and arose, and gat his household in order, and hanged himself, and died, and was buried in the sepulchre of his father." There are many men who have com-promised the following the example of Ahitho-phel, if they once find the ideas of Mr. Kellogg effectually as well as officially adopted, by the labor party, as labor geogel.- W. B. G. in Am-crican Workman, 1870.

THE GARROTE OF THE CAUCUS. The sys tem of government now developing falls little short of placing absolute power in little short of placing absolute power in the hands of demagogues, who use cor-ruption as a means of controllitg ignor-ant votes, since their fixed policy is to exclude integrity and intelligence from politics, and to rule by an appeal to folly and traud. They arrive at power by means of a feeble excentive, a corrupt civil service, and the caucus system. civil service, and the caucus system. To prevent the consumation of their vic-tory-first, a strong President must be chosen, who will curb the senate, confine Ongress to its proper functions, and who will be able to conceive and to execute a broad constitutional policy-for who, above all else, will do battle for the courts. Second, rotation in office must be stopped by legislation; place must in future be held during good behavior, and place-men must be forbidden to min-gle in politics. Third, something must be done to free minorities from their and placemon that, something must gle in politics. Third, something must be done to free minorities from their

thraldom.... Some means must vised of loosening the garrote of the caucus. That institution is now strang-ling the nation by permitting those—too often unworthy—men who handle party machinery to break down opposition, and to drive from the field all who will not stoop to peddle in their low arts. Finally, nothing will avail unless heed be given to the [Massachusetts] bill of rights. Unless the press and the coun-try rise to the level of the emergency, and seriously turn to the discussion of those fundamental principles on which vised of loosening the garrote of the caucus. That institution is now strangthose fundamental principles on which all government depends, the tale is wellnigh told .- Brooks Adams in N. A. Review

-Warren Chase who was "not born in wedlock" says of his Mother and Mar-riage in the Banner of Light :--

In your Thursday's issue you complain be-cause the spirits of the so-called dead do not re-vical the Nathan mystery or the Goodrich nur-der, etc. We will answer by asking a similar question: If it is tract that there is a God who is all-seeing and all-wise, why does he not reveal these mysteries to you? Do you expect more from the servant thun his Master? Do you ex-pect a spirit to do what God himself disdains to ulo? You might as well doubt the existence of God because he does not respond to your in-terrogatories or cater to your ignorance or pre-judice. — There is a groupral langest ensure the

There is a general lament over the invasion of virtuous homes by the pru rient flood of Beecher-Tilton gossip. Now that the sexual cat is out of the bag, let parents improve the opportunity to impress useful and moral lessons upor the minds of their boys and girls, who must know everything sooner or later and if their instruction comes in a prop er way it will be a thousand-fold better for them than if they are led to seek it for themselves at poisonous fountains.— Boston Herald.

things. Goin and get your face wash-ed." And Johnnic, with tears in his eyes, wants to know why papa won't tell him whether beechnuts are ripe.

-Grace Greenwood says Henry Ward Beecher used to get his night-keys awfully mixed up, and when he wanted to go to a certain house, he could not tell which key to take. How does Gracie know this?—Earlville (111.) Transcript.

-I venture the prediction that it will be found at the bottom of the whole af-fair that Mr. Beecher held the sexual theory which he believes to be in advance of the present constitution of so-ciety, and if the facts are as alleged, he

ciety, and if the facts are as alleged, he has fallen because of following out a higher law, as he supposed, than that which controls the conventions of our present society.—D. G. Croly. —Even if Beecher is guilty of all that is charged, still he is a better man than "righteous Lot," the father of his own trandchildren, and a perfect gentleman, compared with David, the "man after God's own heart." David caused the murder of Uriah, whereas Beecher, in-stead of trying to kill Tilton, calls him "my dear Theodore, ' and offers to fur-nish money for him to take a pleasure try to Europe.—("common Sense. trip to Europe.—*(iommon Sense.* "Doubtless the pleasure is as great In being cheated as to cheat."Pop

-Plato defines a philosophic statesman as "A man in whom the power of thought and action is perfectly balanced, equal to the present, reaching forward to the future."

-Who is she that looketh forth as the morning, fair as the moon, clear as the sun and terrible as an army with banners?—*Canticles*.

-An Irishman, speaking of suicide, said the only way to stop it was to make it a capital offense, punishable with death leath.

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