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IS TIME MONEY ? From the N. Y. Times.

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It is one of the traditions of the Elders that time is money. If so, can any one tell why all the trains of our railway corporations, with double tracks, are not through trains ? Why does any train stop except for wood or toal and water ? Why not run a car or train between any point and every other point on the road as the necessities of travel may require ? No doubt there are reasons, or there would now be no occasion to ask the question. But have the railway companies reduced the number of their stoppages as much as they ought to have done?

Let us take the Hudson River Railway. Why should not a separate locomotive or system of locomotives serve Manhattanville, another Yonkers, another Hastings, and so on to Albany? If it is remunerative to run horse-cars to Manhattanville as it is, why not to run steam cars ? And why should not the people at each place have just what ser-vice they require, be it more or less frequent, without subjecting them to any loss of time in waiting at different stations for cars to load and unload?

For places yielding a comparatively small number of passengers, light locomotives should be constructed, adapted to the transportation of one, two, or three ordinary cars. A Mr. Fairlie, of London, has contrived a combined engine and carriage weighing but thirteen and a half tons empty, capable of seating sixty-six persons, which whisks around the Hatcham "Cabbage Garden" at the rate of thirty miles an hour. Compare the wear and tear to a road, of such a "team" with that of an ordinary locomotive on the Hudson or Erie roads, weighing from sixty to eighty tons, and drawing twelve or fitteen cars at the same speed. Compare, too, the other expenses of fuel, men, repairs, etc.

Now, if time is money, why do we not have some of these light cars put on when larger ones are not required, to run frequently and without stopping? What gives the value to a railway over a common road is the economy of time it secures. Why should five or six hundred people be kept an hour longer than is necessary, on the way from New York to Albany, to take up and set down passengers?

By so much unnecessary time as is expended in the journey from the terminal cities, by so much is the territory circumscribed from which the road can levy its contributions of passengers and freight. If it takes two hours to go to Fishkill, all who must live within two hours of the city have to reside at or below that point. If Poughkeepsie can be reached in two hours, of course this addition to the area served is very important, both to the public and to the company. Why is so natural and obvious a means of securing this addition neglected?

MR. GREELEY FOR THE CELESTIAL EMPIRE.

From the N. Y. Sun.

Governor Seward rendered such great services to the Republican party, that he be-lieved it ought to have elevated him to the Presidency. So deep are his convictions on this subject, that the holding of the seals of the State Department during the eight most eventful years in our history has not consoled him for this disappointment.

If this be true of Governor Seward, what may not be said of the Hon. Horace Greeley? His services to the Republican party are not surpassed by those of Governor Seward. For eight years that party has ruled the country,

the factions opposed to the empire. Hence or of old age. Law and public opinion this advice of the French Minister at Con-stantinople to the Egyptian Viceroy. Hence "the empire is peace" because the internal nighted females look forward to end their "the empire is peace" because the internal condition of France and the convulsion threatened in a certain event demand it. There has never been an occasion in which peace in France said peace in Europe depended so much "pon the slender thread of a single life as they depend upon the life of Napoleon at this crisis. IMPERIALISM SICK.

From the N. Y. Tribune.

In the news that Napoleon is getting better the jareconcilable enemies of imperialism will find occasion to lament that France is to mat extent growing worse. But we are not even now prepared to accept a report which comes to us hot from a panic in the money market, and which in several guarded shapes conveys still a doubt that bids us reasonably fear for the life of the French monarchy. Napoleon at more than sixty years of age, worn with the consuming cares of empire, and with a subtle disease, is still sick, it may be unto death. The world is thoroughly forewarned that at any day one of its greatest actors may pass out of its scene with more fatal circumstances of catastrophe than when he entered it. Napoleon sick is to present appearances the empire dying; and the panic of the Bourse, the call of his Empress and child to his bedside, and the late signal and rocket-like expressions of Prince Napoleon in the form of liberalism, all more or less point the moral that emperors and empires are subject to the final discrowning.

Yet it might prove unseemly to pray for or to exult in what appears to be the impending calamity of Napoleonism. We set too high an estimate on the Emperor's value to the existing economy of France, false as it is as a system, mortally pernicious as it must prove if carried to the Imperial extreme, to view with anything but solenn seriousness his withdrawal from work which, whether ill or well done, has had the sufferance of one of the most revolutionary people in the world, and has tasked the intellect and energy of one of the most astute and vigorous political students and workers of his time. Napoleon obeyed too manifest a call, and in some respects a necessity, unrighteous though that necessity may have been, to be set aside in history as merely a charlatan with a crown upon his head. After all, he represented the aspirations of a large number of Frenchmen, and has held power not so much by his own strength as by the strength of the fact that his Government stood for the imperfection of the people.

The doctrine of his life is summed up in his published conceptions of the representative nature of the Casarian or Napoleonic principle. If he has made this principle the basis of a code and a creed, so has France in a great measure; and now that fate warns him that his work will soon be over, let us be ready to acknowledge that, bad as any perpetuated principle of Napoleonism must be, and hateful as in some points of view the rule of the last Napoleon must seem to impatient patriots, he might have made a worse monarch, and left a poorer France. If he had not heart, the world may thank him for having had intellect. When he dies it is probable that something of France will die with him, and for this paramount reason his death will be anything but a personal event.

THE FUTURE OF FREE LOVE. From the N. Y. World.

An article published some time ago in the World, on the apparent increase of laxity in marriage and facility in divorce, has stirred up a paper in Chicago which purports to devote itself to "Literature, the Spiritual Philosophy, and Woman's Independence," and which does, in fact, devote itself mainly to the latter, to copy and comment upon the same. This paper is the Universe, and is of itself one of the most significant symptoms of the state of things upon which we remarked. It is a sort of vent for the grumblings of all the discontented husbands and wives in the West, and discusses social topics with such extreme freedom that two daily papers even of Chicago have been constrained to call it "nasty." And nasty, according to oldfashioned notions, it unquestionably is. But the peculiarity of it, and its value as a sign of the times, appear to be that it is not nasty in motif. The men and women who write for it do not seem to be aware that they are doing anything improper in publishing what they must have learned in the utmost privacy of their domestic lives. They are naked, and not ashamed. Before the fall this sort of thing was innocence. But now, most people, even including the pachydermatous journalists of Chicago, will take it for pruriency. That most wives have occasional disagree abilities to put up with at the hands of their husbands; that many men, and possibly some women, chafe under the connubial bonds which the present system of things imposes, and long for a larger license, and even the unlimited license which has come to be called "Free Love,"-all this is no new thing. The wonder is that such people should rush into print with their grievances, and glory in what a generation ago public opinion would have forced them to consider as their shame.

woes, law and public opinion would both support him in it. The millionaire who now maintains mistresses would in that case make wives of them, if polygamy were permitted, and we can suppose public opinion were so far relaxed as to allow it; or, if not, would take the occasion of any temporary "tiff" to muster out his old wife and muster in a new one. If such a complete revulsion of public feeling as would allow this sort of thing to be done without disrepute can be imagined, the young and pretty women might be no worse off in material respects than now, but the aged and uncomely would go to the wall. Let us not force ourselves even to fancy this woful condition of society, if, in addition to the mediaval maids and widows who now afflict the race of men, a countless array of divorced women were periodically let loose by

the courts to prey upon us. The truth is that these theorists leave out of view, in their speculations upon marriage. precisely the essential element in it. The frequency of divorce suits, even in States where the marriage tie is tightest, and despite the social stigma that is put upon the parties to such suits, shows that affection cannot be legislated into people. The hope of society, and the defense of society against the exotic maniacs who wish to tear down the whole social fabric because their own little corner of it has been made unpleasant by their own misconduct, or somebody else's, is that it cannot be legislated out of them. If all legal restrictions were removed to-morrow, we hope and believe that the vast majority of wedded couples would forbear to unwed themselves. So inextinguishable is a real attachment, and so potent is habit, that, in a large number of cases, couples whose quarrels have culminated in divorces have found it impossible to get on by themselves, and have been remarried; and doubtless nothing but an obstinate pride about taking the initiative restrains many couples more from doing the same thing. The sentiment in favor of the existing marriage is immeasurably stronger and deeper, though very much less noisy, than the sentiment against it. If ever marriage is seriously endangered, that sentiment will show itself. And, at the headlong rate at which the free-lovers are going, the only effect of their labors will be to provoke a reaction which will result in increasing the stringency of the marriage bond.

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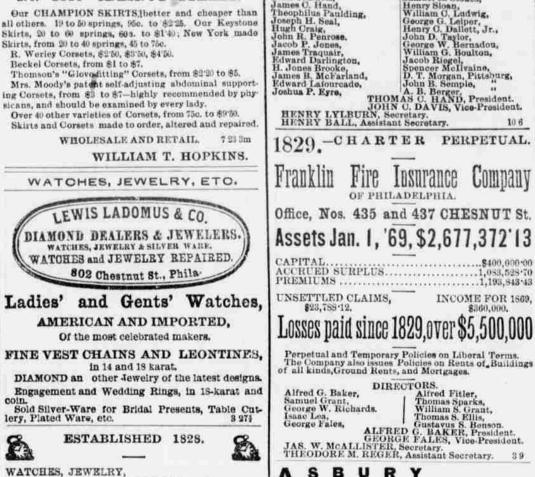
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It is perhaps too soon to talk of Mr. Gree-ley for the Presidency. But there is an office in the gift of the administration which he is admirably fitted to fill. The mission to China is vacant. Our relations with that country, always peculiar, are growing more and more important and complicated day by day. Mr. Greeley, with his grasp of mind, clearness of vision, originality of views, and fertility of resources, should be assigned, in the interests of American commerce and modern civilization, to cultivate this extraordinary diplomatic field.

Mr. Greeley is not the man to go sidling around Washington to urge upon General Grant and Secretary Fish his claims to official recognion. Like Samuel Johnson, the great English moralist of the last century, our American philosopher is doggedly independent. Earl Bute had to soothe the proud lexicographer and essayist to induce him to accept the pension which he so much needed, while the Universities of Dublin and Oxford did not dare to consult him before conferring upon him the degree of Doctor of Laws, which he had so long coveted. With this example before them, let the administration, then, without waiting even to confer with Mr. Greeley, honor themselves, and make up for some of their aston-ishing blunders by "promptly tendering him the mission to the Celestial Empire.

### NAPOLEON TO THE VICEROY-PEACE ON ANY TERMS.

From the N. Y. Herald.

We have the news from London that the Khedive or Viceroy of Egypt has promptly telegraphed to Constantinople his assent to the severe conditions of the Sultan, military, financial, and tributary, insisted on in the recent ominous letter of the Sultan, thus leaving no excuse for any hostile action on his part. At the same time the Khedive was on his way to the Sultan, to make assurance doubly sure. This of itself would simply signify that Ismail Pasha is not in a position to defy the Sultan; but it means much more in connection with what follows. It appears that the French Minister at Constantinople had telegraphed the main points of the Sultan's letter to the Khedive before he reached Alexandria, at the same time urgently advising him to submit to its terms.

From this we perceive that Napoleon desires peace for the present between the Sultan and the Viceroy, however offensive to the latter the terms may be. And why? Because it may be said, Napoleon is apprehensive that a rupture between Turkey and Egypt at this crisis would not only involve all the great European powers, but might be followed by serious internal embarrassments in France. All such conjectures, however, touching this Egyptian question are trifles to Napoleon now compared with the very delicate question of his health, and the crisis which his death may bring upon France. It is doubtless in view of this possible crisis that the Emperor of all hings desires peace with his neighbors and beace on the Eastern question. He wishes to reserve his strength intact for the conflict

"Whether the new order of things which is to be evolved from this crisis," quoth the paper in question, "will be no legal recognition of sexual union whatever, or a system of purely civil marriage, wherein divorce is attainable at little cost of time or convenience, it is certain that some kind of reconstruction is to come.

What the chances are of a radical change in the prevailing practice, the World has beretofore expressed its opinion. But it is certain that the gainers by any change which is likely to be made will not be the women who are foremost in the advocacy of such a change by way of relief from the tyranny of brutal husbands, but the brutal husbands themselves. The direction which a change is most likely to take is pointed out in the book which a Boston clergyman has lately written in praise of polygamy. A London review has been shocking all England by contrasting the morals of that capital with the morals of Constantinople to the disadvantage of the former, and showing that the same multiplicity of wives practically obtains in London that theoretically obtains in Constantinople. The difference is that in Turkey the female victims of polygamy have a recognized status, and that in England they have none.

A Turk is compelled to support his wives and treat them decently in outward respects, whereas an Englishman may discard his mistress at will, and she has no redress. The effect of an increased facility of divorce, or of the legal establishment of polygamy in this country, would be only to make the lot of abused wives worse. A woman would perhaps be tolerably secure of her husband's favor while she remained young and comely; but the sort of man who now tyrannizes over her would, in that case, take her for better and not for worse, for richer and not for poorer, in health and not in sickness, and be eager to slip the conjugal collar on the apwith the radical republicans of France and all pearance of sickness, or of fading beauty,

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