

SCULLY'S TRIP.

COLUMBIA CENTRE, W. T. J. Sept. 13th. 1879. Ed. JOURNAL.—We have reached the end of our long journey all in good health.

I will go back to where I left off in my last letter, July 5th. The country over which we traveled after leaving the Utah Northern at Oneida, is all mountains and valleys, and no settlements for about 75 miles, and very little timber; there is not the one thousandth part of the mountains covered with timber, and this statement will hold good of the whole country over which we traveled from Nebraska to within about 25 miles of Baker City, Oregon.

How unlike Colorado, where the mountains are all covered with timber; nor can it be said that it is much of a grass country. Sage brush and greasewood as a rule, taking the place of both grass and timber. After the first 75 miles there is a few ranchmen until we intersect the stage road from Kelton to Boise City, about 115 miles from Oneida, and 50 miles from Kelton. The latter is the station on the C. P. R. R. from whence all the freighting is done to Boise City, and on this road may be seen some of the heaviest wagon loads of freight that the world can boast of; at least we thought so when we saw 5 large heavy span of mules all working in one team and driven by one driver, hauling three large, heavy freight wagons with tires 2 1/2 inches wide, the three wagons loaded with 15,000 pounds of freight.

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Mothers' Fault.

There has recently been started a theory that the reason why girls fall short of the high standard reached by boys—allowing, for the sake of argument, that they do, is because their mothers do not hold them up to any ideal height, and, in short, have not the beacon to lure them on of a promise of the Presidency. Be a good boy, they say to the son, and you shall be President of the United States. Be a good girl, they say to daughter, and you shall have a rich husband. And it seems to be universally accorded by the advocates of the theory mentioned that the one is not quite so good a thing as the other.

We ourselves are inclined to think that mothers have no more to do with this business than fathers have, or than the influence of the thought of the race in general has. If it were widely expected of girls that they should end their studies only where their brothers end theirs, they would undoubtedly live up to the expectation. As it is, while the boys are yet deep in their books, and are learning the relations of the universe to themselves, the girls are parading in the marriage market, and have no more to do with books, and no more use for what has already been learned from books, other than as it serves the present purpose. Of course the broad exceptions to this statement only make it closer fact for the great majority of those who are not exceptions. It is not mothers especially, then, it may be seen, it is not fathers, that hinder girls from reaching a high and ideal standard; it is the struggle for marriage. The achievement of the high standard is not expected of them, but marriage is; and here, as elsewhere, water finds its level, the supply meets the demand. If it were understood that mothers were to oversee the preparation of their boys' lessons as much as, or even more than, that of their daughters, mothers would be made ready to do so. And if it were understood that marriage was not to put an end to woman's power of earning money, and that they might laudably contribute some proportion of the household expenses in case of need, they would do their work in none of the slovenly fashion which is at present complained of as something arising from the notion that their work is only a makeshift till a husband takes its place.

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Words of Wisdom.

Great gifts make beggars bold. Be wise worldly, but not worldly wise. It is right to be contented with what we have; never with what we are.

Many people find their only happiness in forcing themselves to be unhappy. Virtue requires no other recompense than the tribute of self-approbation and respect. The flower which we do not pluck is the only one which never loses its beauty or its fragrance.

He who will not reason is a bigot; he who cannot is a fool; and he who dares not is a slave. Truth is eclipsed often, and it sets for a night, but never is it turned aside from its eternal path. Truth will never die; the stars will grow dim, the sun will pale his glory; but truth will ever be young. Age is not all decay; it is the ripening, the swelling of the fresh life within, that withers and bursts the husk.

We learn to climb by keeping our eyes not on the hills behind us, but on the mountains that rise before us. The beginning of faith is action, and he only believes who struggles; not he who merely thinks a question over. Every heart has its secret sorrow which the world knows not, and oftentimes we call a man cold when he is only sad.

We are all more or less echoes, and we repeat, in spite of our lives, the virtues, the faults, the movements, and the characters of those who are always with us. "There are people who live behind the hill," is an old German proverb, which means that there are other folks in the world besides yourself, although you may not see them.

Anxiety is the poison of life; the parent of many sins, and of more miseries. Why, then, allow it, when we know that all the future is guided by a Father's hand? No two nations agree exactly with each other as to what constitutes female beauty. The Moors estimate women by their weight, as we do by their countenance. The favorites of the Chinese have deformed feet, black teeth and long nails. A girl painted sky-blue, with a ring through her nose, is the acme of loveliness to a Tonga islander. The Venetians almost worship red hair; and so national tastes vary.

A Timely Hint.

"What are you looking for?" asked one of the Widow Bedott's two daughters, who were entertaining their two young fellows on the piazza rather late one night last summer, of their mother, who seemed hunting for something around the front yard. "The morning papers," answered the widow. The young men left.

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Love, as a rule, grows strong in proportion to the encouragement it receives, and as many plants grow only when under the beneficent rays of a warm sun, so it is almost always with this passion. Foster and cherish it and it expands into a deep glow. Let the atmosphere around it be charged with too much coldness, and like the plants, for want of warmth it gradually withers and finally dies.

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