

Rev. Beall's second attempt to find a Biblical precedent for meetings for "men only" is even more ridiculous and unreliable. He says that John the Baptist's saying to Herod "It is not lawful for thee to have her" was a "meeting for men only" and cost him his head." Now this was not a meeting for men only and it had nothing to do with John the Baptist's loss of life. He was faring pretty well in prison when the daughter of Herodias danced before the king and "pleased Herod, whereupon he promised with an oath to give her whatsoever she would ask and she, being before instructed by her mother, said give me here John Baptist's head in a charger." It is further said that the king was sorry. That is how John the Baptist lost his head. There wasn't any sermon or service for men only and whatever remark he may have made to the king did not affect him other than causing him to be put in prison. As a matter of fact there were no meetings for "men only" in the time of which Rev. Beall speaks, and his citations certainly do not dispose of "Editor Smith's statements."

Rev. Beall is unable to find a religious meeting for "men only" earlier than the time of Moody, and the proposition that they are a late invention is sustained. My reverend friend's statement as to the number of boys who attended his "sermon" two weeks ago is as unreliable as his Biblical references. There were twenty-five at least. Rev. Beall says he has taken the full theological course and spent from ten to twenty years in actual work. This is a serious accusation to make against the theological course. And in closing I would remind my ministerial friend that so long as he confined himself to preaching the gospel the "average newspaper man" had nothing to say."

C. M. Clark who frequently gives the public the benefit of his views in communications in the daily newspapers of this city, has addressed the chairman of the Union Veteran Republican club suggesting the formation of a "non-partisan political soldiers' club." Mr. Clark says: "I was a republican for several years. I soon learned to my satisfaction that no citizen could be truly loyal to a government of, for and by the people, and at the same time loyal to a faction or a party, than he could have been truly loyal at once, both to the stars and bars and the stars and stripes."

Mr. Clark, unable to find a party to suit him, formed one all by himself, and he flocks together continually. The man who cannot be loyal to his government and at the same time support any one of the principal parties is a freak, and he should hasten to join Mr. Clark. There have been political parties since man has walked the earth, and there always will be. And while they have, in connection with many other good things, contained much that is base, they have given to the world monuments of nobility, of patriotism, of independence, of liberty that will ever stand. Mr. Clark can hardly be loyal to the government until he shall get away from his present unwavering loyalty to Mr. Clark, and join some great party for the upbuilding of the country and the improvement of the people's condition.

SOCIAL GOSSIP.

The story on C. H. Morrill and the salt shells, recounted in these columns recalls another tale at the expense of a Lincoln man, with a fondness for rod and gun quite as pronounced as Mr. Morrill's, and of equal prominence in this city. Who has not heard F. W. Brown, popularly known as "Doc" describe his mighty adventures by land and

sea, and who has not been impressed by his knowledge and experience? Mr. Brown is a truthful man; but somehow the fish that he catches and the game that he bags, seem to have the quality of expansion, and so he is generally able to go one better than the last man. Last year Mr. Brown, in company with other citizens of Lincoln, went up into the north-west for a few days outing. The party also comprised two or three guides and helpers, with more strength than polish, more experience of the frontier, than of polite society. One of the first things after going into camp was to catch some fish for supper, and the men started out with their flies and poles. Mr. Brown, with charming candor, informed the party just what he would catch—trout, and big ones at that. After awhile, when notes were compared, it was found that some fine trout had been captured, and Mr. Brown had hooked a particularly fine specimen. One of the party could only show for his pains a sucker about the size of Mr. Brown's trout. In the camp the man who caught the sucker held a few minutes private conversation with the cook, and the party awaited developments. Supper was served, and Mr. Brown, with a most engaging suavity of manner told of the pleasures of trout fishing, and particularly of trout eating. "Of course," he said, "some of you fellows may be content with suckers, but as for me I always eat trout and nothing but trout." Then the fish was brought on. The cook handed Mr. Brown's trout to the man who caught the sucker, and the sucker was passed to Mr. Brown. And the party waited in silence. "Doc" took the bait and swallowed it. He had lots of trouble with the sucker bones, but he kept right on, all the while giving a discourse on trout, something like Charles Lamb's dissertation on roast pig. He illustrated his remarks now and then by pointing to the rapidly disappearing sucker on his plate. It was at this time that one of the rough men of the frontier emitted some highly emphasized remarks about "tenderfeet," that were not intended for publication. Mr. Brown didn't see the point however, and he finished his sucker alias trout. Afterwards it took the entire party several hours to convince him that he didn't know sucker from trout when he had it in his mouth. "Doc's" feelings thereupon were a good deal like those entertained by Mr. Morrill when Ager explained the secret of the shells. The friends of Mr. Brown and Mr. Morrill suggest that they start a little society—they promise to see that its membership is increased.

Miss Fanny Latham has been the guest of Miss Cora K. Pitcher this week. Mr. Latham, who was buried in Nebraska City Saturday, was formerly a well known resident of Lincoln. Miss Latham has the sympathy of a large number of friends.

Charley Burr has purchased the Nisbet residence, at corner Fourteenth and F streets. Mr. and Mrs. Burr expect to take possession some time next month.

Miss Daisy Tuttle's concerts are always looked forward to with pleasure. Tuesday evening in Y. M. C. A. hall this talented young singer, assisted by Mr. August Hagenow, violinist, and Miss Gertrude Culbertson, accompanist gave a series of popular selections that were much enjoyed. Miss Tuttle's selections included: "For All Eternity," Vogrich; "Because I Love You," Hawley; "Ecstasy," Beach; "True Heart of Mine," Murio-Celli; "Knowest Thou the Lord," Thomas; the jewel song from "Faust," with encores, among these being, "Swanee River." Miss Tuttle was in excellent voice. She sings daintily, with much sweetness. Her voice is

clear and shows thorough culture. Mr. Hagenow's selections on the violin, including "Caprice Valse," Wieniowski; and "Souvenir's De Bode," Leonard, were much appreciated and added to the evening's enjoyment, as did Miss Culbertson's "Staccato Caprice," Vogrich, on the piano.

A. A. Faurot has accepted a professorship in the Lincoln Polytechnic institute. He will have charge of the school of preparation for the university. Mr. Faurot was a member of the class of '91, University of Nebraska.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Masland have returned from their trip east. They are visiting in the city for a few days preparatory to returning to their home in Belmont, Cal.

GLAD THEY WERE THERE.

Ex-Governor Roberts, of Texas is a queer character. Recently he was called upon to deliver an address to the inmates of the State Penitentiary. The governor consented and after viewing his audience for a few minutes, began "Gentlemen—
"But no," he hesitated, "you're not gentlemen or you wouldn't be here."
He paused for another moment.
"Fellow Citizens, then—"
He stopped again.
"No, you're not citizens, either."
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