"TAXATION OF CHURCHES."

The following correspondence which we and in the Nebraska Watchman will explain itself: FLORENCE, IOWA, Jan. 1, 104.

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P. M. McDonagh, Esq.—

Dear Sir: I send you petition for taxation of Church property. Get all the names you can and return to me at as early a date as possible. Cannot a league be organized in your city? Please send me the names of all living Liberals whom you know, and the more postoffices the better. How do your members of the Legislature stand upon the taxation question? The committee is in need of money to pay for printing and circulating petitions, to meet expenses of corresponpetitions, to meet expenses of correspondence. Can you not help us a little? A small sum, even a few postage stamps from each liberal in the state, would enable us to do much for the cause. Let us unite and go to work. We battle for the secular state. We have powerful foes to overcome, and we are apathetic and indifferent.

Awake! Arouse!

Please write and give me all the interpretation.

To Hon. E. C. Walker, chairmam of the State Committee of the National Liberal League, Florence, Iowa.

DEAR SIR:—Yours of "Jan. 1st, 104" and the petition for the taxation of all church and religious property are at hand.

church and religious property are at hand. They're a daisy. You have my heartfelt

Now, that date "104," the year of Uncle Sam, sinks into insignificance, before the materialistic conjecture of the average "skientist," to whom time, space, when the force infinitude and gas

do. It is just such liberal chaps as we 'uns who object to religious folks building churches or schools. It is in accord with "our" principles, ain't it, to tax all the churches and sectarian school property? Now, I go a step further, and say, we should tax all school houses, court houses, state houses, almshouses, asylum s, jails; and, in fact, every public institution; for Uncle Sam and the several states, counties and towns ought to be taxed as well as individuals. Let nothing be spared. Tax everything.

everything.
Or, don't you think, Bro. Walker, it Or, don't you think, Bro. Walker, it would be better for us to wait for a few years more, and couldn't we confiscate these churches and "sectarian" institutions, like our European friends do? In that way we could make a "raise" we can never hope to do by legitimate means. I know you'll take kindly to the confiscation and sequestration idea. It is in keeping with the other ideas of liberalism and modern progress. modern progress

You want the names of all live liberals, do you? Then I'll send you Wolfe's state and city directories. They are all there and will save me a heap of writing. Don't

"How do our members of the legislature stand upon the taxation question,"
ch? They stand in every position from
perpendicular to horizontal. Some of them
are so shaky about the knees that they
have to resort to stimulants to enable
them to stand at all. But, I believe, Bro. Copeland and I can brace 'em up to the

sticking point.
"The Committee is in need of money?" The Committee is in need of money? Let us issue bonds and sell them, to be paid when we tax the churches, schools, etc., or confiscate them. I would be very glad to donate a few thousand to the cause, but the Christians would insist on taxing it,

the Christians would insist on taxing it, as a "quid pro quo" for our taxing their donations to religious outfits.

"Let us unite and go to work!" Just so. That's business. I'm ready. So is Bro. Copeland. We will secularize everything, or bust in the attempt.

"We have powerful foes to overcome!" So we have but that's nothing! We have powerful friends, such as science, confisation; disregard for law, order or morality; appropriation and taxation of the donaappropriation and taxation of the dona-tions of Christian fools, in fact, we liberals have nothing to lose, and everything to

win.
"We are apathetic and indifferent!" No, siree. We are hustling like blazes. We are fully aroused. We are wide awake. We are resolved to carry the war into Christendom, until there isn't a Christian church, school or institution on the whole quanternary formation of the

earth.

"Give you all the information I cant"
Why, Bro. Walker, it would take a whole
year to tell you all I know; and a thousand
years to tell you all I don't know.

Yours for equal rights,
MacDonagh.

What they Say of it? A few Facts for the People.

the People.

There are but few preparations of medicine which have withstood the importial judgment of the people for any great length of time. One of these is Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil. Read the following and be convinced:—Thomas Robinson, Farnham Centre, P.Q., writes, "I have been afflicted with rheumatism for the last ten great and have tried many spendies with. Thomas' Eclectric Oil. Read the following and be convinced:—Thomas Robinson, Farnham Centre, P.Q., writes, "I have been afflicted with rheumatism for the last ten years, and have tried many remedies without any relief, until I tided Dr.Thomas' Eclectric Oil, and since then have had no attack of it. I would recommend it to all."—J. H. Earl, Hotel Keeper, West Shefford, P. Q., writes—"I have been troubled with liver complaint for several years, and have tried different medicines with lattle or no benefit, until I tried Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil, which gave me immediate relief, and I would say that I have used it since with the best effect. No one should be without it. I have tried it on my horse in cases of cuts, wounds, etc., and think it equally as good for horse as for man."—A. Maybee, Merchant, Warkworth, writes, "I have sold some hundreds of bottles of Eclectric Oil, and it is pronou ced by the public, 'one of the best medicines they have ever used;' it has done wonders in the Park, at Lowell, before the tomb of the first soldiers that fell in the revolution, is a lasting and beautiful tribute of art. It is one of the first objects sought by strangers visiting our sister city, which stands in the Park, at Lowell, before the tomb of the first soldiers that fell in the revolution, is a lasting and beautiful tribute of art. It is one of the first objects sought by strangers visiting our sister city, which stands in the Park, at Lowell, before the tomb of the first soldiers that fell in the revolution, is a lasting and beautiful tribute of art. It is one of the first objects of high art. It was obtained from the King of Bavaria by Dr. J. C. Ayer, to whom His Majesty was especially gracious in acknowledgment of what his remedies are reported to have done for the suffering sick. It was donated by the part of the City of Lowell as a permanent and speaking emblem of the victories both of Science and Arms.—Hagarstown (Md.) Press.

The mother and sister of Mr. Michael Davitt reside in Phillidelphia. He is one of the s

healing and relieving pain, sore throats, etc., and is worthy of the greatest confidence."—Joseph Rusan, Township Percy, writes, "I was persuaded to try Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil for a lame knee which tro-bled me for three or four years, and I never found anything like it for lameness. It is a public benefit."

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Note.-Eclectric-Selected and Electrized.

TELEGRAPHIC.

AFGHANISTAN.

London, Jan. 22 .- A Cabul dispate cach liberal in the state, would enable us to do much for the cause. Let us unite and go to work. We battle for the secular state. We have powerful foes to overcome, and we are apathetic and indifferent.

Awake! Arouse!

Please write and give me all the information you can. Hoping to hear from you soon, I remain,

Yours for Equal Rights,

E. C. Walker,
Chn. State Com. N. L. L.

REPLY.

To Hon. E. C. Walker, chairman of the State Committee of the National Liberal League, Florence, Iowa.

Dran Sign. Yours of figure Let. 1997.

Dran Sign. Yours of figure Let. 1997. 4,500 harves to none, and at the sam time take the offensive against a combina tion of equal strength with the last. Th Khohistanis continue to treat, but the cannot be relied on to keep quiet when disturbances recommence. Two influer it is hoped others will follow. The excitement at Ghuzni and Logar continues Mahomed Jan is activly pr paring fo another rising. The uncertainty as twhether the British intend to hold o average "skientist," to whom time, space, eternity, matter, force, infinitude and gas are merely the conclation of forces and modulation of molecules. According to the materialistic idea, the year ought to have gone into the quadrillions of heptillions, with "164" bushels of digits shaken up and arranged to meet the exigency of the case.

As a matter of course, it is just such fellows as you and I who never contribute a dime for the establishment or support of a church, school or religious institution, that howl the loudest against those who do. It is just such liberal chaps as we 'uns who object to religious folks building gives the following scheme which the succeed us. Nothing can be done until our policy is known. It is believed that if the Afghans are left to choose an Ameer they would choose Ayoud Khan, commander at Herat, who is avowedly hostile to the British and friendly to the Russians.

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London, January 25.—A Cabul correspondent reports that Ayoud Khan has left Herat for Ghuznee. A Cabul dispatch gives the following scheme which the correspondent thinks will probably receive consideration at London and Calcutta. The British troops will immediately with draw to Jellalabad, and a proclamation will be issued, stating that vengence for the massacre of the British Embassy at Cabul having been satisfied, the army withdraws to Jellalabad, leaving the Afghans to live under such sovereign be firmly established the Queen foregoes the right under lished the Queen foregoes the right under Treaty of Gundamuk to place an envoy at Cabul, all communications with the Cabul Government being in the meantime conducted by the Queen's special agent, pending a peaceful settlement of the country. Jellalabad and Candahar are to be occurred by British and Candahar are to be occupied by British troops. The Queen will insist that communications of the Afghan ruler with foreign Government shall be held subject to her approval.

UNITED STATES.

Bradford, Pa., January 23.—Early yesterday two heavy freight trains collided between Cameron and Sterling, on the Philadelphia & Erie Railway. The operator at Cameron failed to deliver orders to hold the east bound freight. He was arreated Lynching was threatened. The hold the east bound freight. He was ar-rested. Lynching was threatened. The two locomotives and twenty cars were wrecked. The engineer, Dean, of the westward train, and the fireman and astern train, were killed, and three other train hands are not expected to live.

GERMANY.

RELATIONS WITH THE VATICAN.
Berlin, Jan. 21.—There has been a complete restoration of kindly relations with the Vatican, and negotiations are proceeding satisfactorily. ing satisfactorily. It is believed Bismarck is in a fair way

to recover, but reliable information is hard

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COMMERCIAL.

London Markets.

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London, January 27, 1886.

There was a rather better market to-day, the supply of provisions being considerably in advance of the previous day. Quite a large quantity of beef was offered, but the quotations remain the same. Butter and eggs vary considerably in price, but the average price for fresh eggs is 22c, and about the same for roll butter. Dressed hogs varied in price from \$5.50 to \$6.50. A large amount of hay was offered, the quotations being a little easier. Grain was only offered in limited quantity, the bad roads preventing large deliveries. The highest price brought for barley was \$1.20.

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