

tans, who have found by experience that nothing is too irrational to obtain the sanction of the pulpit. Quacks of all descriptions, impostors of the vilest sort, so called "patent" medicines of least possible value, robbers of the poor, slayers of the innocent, all and every one of them thrive and grow fat because of fulsome pulpit eulogies and more fulsome written testimonials from preachers. Is it any wonder that honest men, whose wide and often sad experience has given them opportunity to know and appreciate the foul character of many of these illegitimate money-makers and their money-making schemes, should turn in disgust from association with those mistaken disciples, who by voice and pen have done what they could to make fraud successful, and should determine in the future to serve the Master without the intermediary of what they believe to be a falsehood-sullied pulpit?—*Denver Med. Times.*

ELECTRICITY IN WAYBACK.—"Well, I've heard of red currants, black currants, and white currants, but I'll stop chewin' if I ever heard of *alternating* currants.—*Ex.*

SWALLOWING A WATCH.—The freaks of lunatics are sometimes extraordinary, and one of the most remarkable which has been placed on record recently is that which Dr. Vallow has published in the current issue of a French contemporary. A man, aged thirty-seven, was confined in an asylum suffering from hallucinations, and one day, his wife having come to visit him, he was permitted to see her. When the allotted time of the interview had come to an end, his wife intimated that she would have to take her departure, whereupon the patient, judging that she wanted to leave him before the time had expired, flew into a violent passion and accused her of deceiving him. To prove however, the truth of her statements, she drew out her watch and showed him the time. As soon as the patient saw the watch, he suddenly seized it in his hand, tore the chain from it, and putting it in his mouth, swallowed it. The medical officer of the asylum was summoned at once, but the patient in no way appeared to have suffered from his curious freak. On examination of the stomach nothing could be felt, and it was at first believed that, after all, the watch might not have been swal-

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