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JOHN NICHOLSON.

With the departure of John Nicholson from this life, one of God's noblemen have indeed been culled home. That is the testimony of all who had the privilege of knowing him. He was kind-hearted and gentle, and yet vallant as a lion in the defense of truth. He was honest and faithful, unselfish as few, ever ready to serve his God and his friends, and at the same time there was room, in his big heart, for all mankind. To know John Nicholson was to esteem and love him.

John Nicholson was for many years associated with the Deseret Nows, and his ability both as an exponent of truth and a dialectician, was amply demonstrated during those years. Like all who live in the light, he was keen to detect error and hypocricy, and in his war upon them he was relentless. The enemies of the Church feared his pen for when he wielded it in defense of the right, it became. as it were, a two-edged sword, "plereing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow," to speak in the language of holy writ.

As a speaker John Nicholson had Tew peers. His mind was well stored with knowledge. He was a clear, logical thinker, and had the great gift of ready expression. His voice was strong, but musical, and he had that personal magnetism, or whatever the mysterious power is called, that attracts and holds the attention of audiences. When speaking on the principles of the Gospel he was always instructive, because his whole soul was devoted to that great theme, and he had his heavers with him, because they knew that whatever he preached he believed and practised.

One of the notable lectures delivered by John Nicholson in this city was that on the Tennessee Massacre. In this he held up to the light the true inwardness of the anti-"Mormon" agitation, traced it to its sources and pointed out some of its consequences. He closed that lecture as follows: "I have been called, among other things, an allen. If there ever has been anything that I have prided myself upon it has been my birthplace, for I was born on this planet. I know no country but the earth; and I know no people but those who sustain the truth, the final triumph of which will bring about the universal brotherhood of man. I love the institutions of this country as

I love my life, for they embody the principles of human freedom; and

to make no move toward freedom, is of modern times is suberculouis. But to entrench them the more securely. we have it from a prominent physician They will be able to make a more stubborn resistance next year than they an make now; they are in better fight- is the most potent factor in its propang trim today ihan they were last gation. "The strongest man," he says car. As to this liquor evil in parlcular, does any one doubt that it build have been more successfully atacked six months ago, or even three , at the sight of the disasters caused by nonthe ago, then it can now? If it is

ot receiving sympathy and support tolay from sources which even a few ort weeks ago would have scorned be its allies, there is something nighty inconsistent in some men's con loct. Next year still more surprising things can be made possible. All the lifficulties of the present, as well as

Does Representative H. A. McMillin propose to deny to churches the right the abundant new crop which the future to petition the Legislature in favor of will be sure to bring forth, will be found ready to hand as a reason for prohibition? His view, if correctly reported. I another, and still another and a forthat such petitions are "for political ever indefinite postponement of this effect alone," and that they should reform movement which mays and not be heard because "no one knows means: This evil must cease! how many Democrats signed" them

For the actual friends of prohibition The gentleman seems to be of the there is only one logical positionopinion that the Legislature has a pretended friends can shift and find special duty to deny to Democrats footing on a number of quibbles. Those the right of petition. who believe in prohibition and who We would respectfully recommend want to see it established into law

to Representative McMillin that he will work for this result now. That read the First Section of the First people are aroused as they never were Article of the Constitution of Utah. before on any public question. They He will there see that among the teniand that this infamous traffic in the 'inalienable rights' granted to citisouls of men shall not be longer tolzens of this State is the right to me crated under the form of law. Their semble peaceably, protest against volce is heard in one mighty swell wrongs, and petition for redress of from one end of the State to the other. grievances. As this right is as in-The enemy is demoralized not less by alienable as the right to enjoy and the suddenness than by the tremendous defend life and liberty, to acquire, force of the assault. He should never possess, and protect property, we be permitted to raily or recover-for celleve the representatives of the peonothing but indecision and the withple will think twice before they treat drawal of support at this crucial moany body of petitioners with discour ment can rob the friends of the movetesy on the silly plea that there may be ment of the glorious triumph which can Democrats among them. be so easily won. And if these are the

The Prohibition wave is not politistratogic advantages of immediate racal. It is both non-partisan and ther than deferred action, what shall be non-denominational. Men and women said of the moral obligation resting of all parties and churches are united upon every good citizen to root out inin this warfare against the evils of quity without delay? If as the prointemperance. The Anti-saloor crastinators admit the liquor traffic is League is leading the movement an evil, the saloon a plague spot, why everywhere, and the citizens, churches walt until more souls are destroyed beand other organizations that give fore applying the caustic? Will the their influence to the furtherance of trail of ruin become less hideous, the the cause are but following that lead. cry of human despair less pitiful and Let it be clearly understood that this plercing if allowed to continue a few is not an agitation that looks to the years longer? Shame on the cowardice furtherance of the interests of any which advises delay while fellow-beings particular church. It is entirely in the interests of morality, and theresink in distress, degradation and death! The appointed time is right now fore has equal claim upon the mem-Public sentiment is ripe and ready bers of all parties and denominations. Every worthy precedent invites to the

struggle. The fight is already more PROHIBITION IN BINGHAM. than half won. To dally now would be dastardly; to falter would be little Some friends of temperance believe short of a crime. that prohibition may work well in

FIGHT FOR FRESH AIR.

think, will drink and nothing can pre-Second in intensity only to the war vent them. that is to be waged according to the recommendations of the Board of from a prominent citizen of Bingham, Health, against the common house fly, Mr. Otto Capelle, would seem to waris the contest that is to be entered upon rant an entirely different conclusion. to secure fresh air for public build-Mr. Capelle stated that of 115 men in the camp he had approached with a

In a bulletin just issued, Dr. Beatty request to sign a prohibition petition, declares that proper ventilation in all 100 had done so without any argument ellings, schools and other buildhis part. He says he is c ings would prevent 50 per cent of the deaths from pneumonia and other communicable diseases. The doctor further observes that fresh air can harm no one, and it is the most econ-omical air that can be breathed, whatever may be the price of coal, and that is also the best known health insurance policy Speaking of the general need of beter buildings, Dr. Beatty says:

preventive measures, in the hope that canty. They know now that alcohol fact it is a case of congratulations all next year there may be a new cure or taken into the body may produce pole found. All that remains is the speedy the old disease may work liself out. some and may develop toxing. They sentence of the court and the holdups Fires and floods and spidomics do not know that it diminishes the power of will find their quarters ready in the diminish because unresisted-they grow elimination of waste substances while new cell house at the state prison upon what they feed upon. And so it it increases the accumulation thereof. Where they may repent at their leisure is with moral cylis also. To leave It is also known to destroy the so. In company with Sullivan, Abe Majors, hem alone is to encourage them. To called phagucytes of the blood, so that Shockley and the rest of the murderlook upon them timidly as plagues from the protective power of the blood colls outs going of their ilk. The police did which we would gladly be free, and yet is greatly reduced. One of the plagues good work tast night and congratulations are in order

of Paris that the saloon is the purvey

or of that disease, and that alcoholisin

"who has once taken to dvink, is pow

ordess against it. A universal cry of

deepale rises from the whole universe

Physicians know the facts and they

very generally hall the temperatus

movement as one of the most import-

RIGHT TO PETITION.

ant reform offorts of the day

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Safety pins are always a safe in-Ventmelit

The naked truth simply means the disagreeable trath.

In the modern nevel a foreword to the wise is sufficient.

When a person is hit with a had egg he feels poverty stricken.

No man has been so plundored of his thunder as Senator Tillman has.

Legislators make good bill collectors. They collect their thoughts in bills.

Poverty and ignorance may travel together but they don't travel in palace CATE.

Almost every man prefers to be a stage hero to being a hero in the strife,

Rules of health do not do much for person unless he is healthy in the first place.

The ambition of the United States at the present time is to become a (N. Y.) World power,

In this fight for prohibition let the watchword be "thorough." No half measures are wanted.

Mr. Roosevelt does not find it necessary to wear a rain coat when it is a Rainey day in the House

The Wright brothers are getting more medals than a militia colonel. And they are not buying them, either.

There are other things than wealth that are not evenly divided in this world. Odd numbers for example.

There is such a thing as the bird being too early to catch the worm, as the first robin finds out to its sorrow.

A London audience has egged Mrs. Carrie Nation. When she was in this country she didn't have to be egged

If the warfare of the future is to be carried on in the air, what is the sense of building fortifications and great warships?

Mrs. Orville Bright of Chleago declares that "Club women talk too much and do too little." A truly bright observation that.

The latest alarmist to paint in most lurid colors the danger to this country from an aerial war is named Scarriet. some states, but not where there are So far he hasn't scared anyone, many mining camps. Miners, they

School faddists would put too much into the curriculum. They forget that children's capacity for acquiring knowledge is not infinite and that their time is not limitless.

"Will membership in the Ananlas club expire on the 4th of March, too? There are many anxious inquiries. says the Philadelphia Record, Men



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where I find men who seek by infamous, infernal designs to crush them into the earth, I am willing to wear myself out in their exposure

That was John Nicholson, and the last sentence became almost prophetic. For, in defense of the Gospel, he literally gave his life. He did not take time for such recreations as other men deem a necessity. He thought, spoke, wrote and labored almost incessantly, and finally his magnificent intellect gave way, long before his physical strength was exhausted.

John Nicholson has departed, but he is not dead. He lives. He hungared and thirsted for righteousness and life eternal, and he shall hunger and thirst no more.

If is little matter at what hour of the The eighteous fall asleep. Death cannot

To him untimely who has learned to

The lass of this brief life, the more of

The shorter time, the longer immortali-

GIVE US PROHIBITION.

"Prohibition is all right-it is a good thing-we are all in favor of it, as all good people must be, for there is no sound argument against. II-but. The time is not yet quite rips for if-let it go aver for two or four rears! then everybody will be able to get together harmonionsly and unitedly, and it can be put through with a whoop.

Those who mingle at all in circles where the provailing subject has been discussed must every day with such suggestions as the foregoing. Strangely enough, there are many otherwise gree of purity. prompt in business, resourceful in emorgoneics, ready-witted and courageons under any ordinary circumstances who your for some unaccountable reasun to the soluctivo plon for delay ou lie question. The weakness of mich a This admit the existence of the disshould be, and are compliance in the hope | and that it will be eradicated. And yet they say they think that perhaps II would be better to wait awhile, as if expecting that the future will bring

about a cure more easily than the application of a present temody? Fires are not extinguished by walting thil tomorrow balars turning out the fighting apparatus. Floods are not conquered by standing still and watching break after break in the banks, and form after fayin minud by the mina

dened waters. Epidemics are not

The buildings, Dr. Beatty says: "During the season of cold weather the gospel of fresh air night and day should everywhere he preached and practiced, contrary to the custom of lightly closing dwellings and by every possible means excluding it. Dread of fresh air is more largely responsible for the spread of communicable diseases than any other factor. In the house and in the school this fact should be recognized, and health officers should in every way promote its recognition. It is their special duty to ascertain the facilities for ventilation in school build-lings and to enforce its efficiency."

ups and to enforce its efficiency."

We should think that a fire place in ary room in which meetings are held. outd go far towards solving the perplexing problems. The old-fashioned pen hearth-fire is thus far the only effective and inexpensive form of wentilator for crowled rooms. A fire

urning in the fire-place will ventilate denost any room of moderate dimenstons, no matter how many people are crowded into it. Building inspectors in vities might well losist upon this strong, simple plan for securing an abundance of fresh air in all rooms intended for places of public meetings A large live in an ample grate, while it furnishes little heat, does, nevertheless, serve to draw off the lower and more polluted strata of air so rapidly that the impour of fresh curreals from overy opening or crevice hasps the air at a singularly high de-

DOCTORS AND DRINK

The Sult Lake Tribuno misrepresent:

the doctors of the County, when it repthis paramount and most preasing puts | rescuts the local Medical Society as "not in fevor of a dry State." A wellposition they apparently overlook en- known physician estis the attention of tirely; for arguments to support it are | the "Neuce" to this fact, and adds that wholly wanting. Why an unhealthy like doctors generally do favor a "dry condition should be continued instead of state," although some of them, perhaps cured they will not preload to may. the majority, believe that prohibition must be introduced gradually, as pubcuso; they declare their belief that it he sentiment is educated to its import-

> The doctors, we understand, even go an far as denying the necessity of give ing the drug stores the right to sell whisky, on prescription, because this throws a corporability upon the physicans which they do not care to shoulder. Borlors now, very rarely prescribe ioner, and in cases where they need a stimutant, alcohol answers the purpose, The physicians realize, better than

that out of every ten men in Bingham, seven are for prohibition, and out of every ten women, nine. He adds that some men addicted to drink readlly sign petitions to the Legislature for prohibition, because they see in the closing of saloons an aid to escape from an evil which is too strong for

This we can readily believe. The legislators cannot afford to turn a deaf car to such supplications.

A telephone message to the "News"

A SUNDAY BILL.

We hope that our law-makers will pay due attention to the popular demand for a more clearly defined Sunday law, making it unlawful to open places of amusement and pleasure resorts during the day set apart for rest, We believe the laws now existing were intended by the framers to prohibit the opening of all places of business on Sundays, except where closing is impractical, but the Sunday laws have been evaded of late years to such an extent that it has become necessary to make them more definite. There is quite a general domand for such legislation. The people employed in amusement hills and pleasure resorts need a rest every seventh day, and they are entitled to it. And since their labor is not necessary, in the same sense as that which is performed by the employes of transportation companies, for instance, they should not be deprived of their right to real. Representative McMillan, of this City, has introduced a bill in the House, making it a misdemeanor to open any place of

aurasement on Bundays, or to purchase any ticket of admission to any Sun day performance. That bill seems to unswer the purpose

GOOD WORK.

The police are to be congratulated on their good work last night. A low more explures along the same ines will accomplish the elementes of this city of yegg-men, holdups and burglars and serve notice on the nomiatic criminal elements that to ply their netarious trade in Salt Lake City is, to say the least, an unhealthy empation. The affair came hearly being a reputition of the Ford Tragedy. Officer Marris is to be doubly congratulated, both on his pluck in tackiing what he knew to be armed and desperate mon, and also that he had such a good companion officer in Patrolman Lyons who arrived on the seene in the nick of time to prevent the thug from pulling the trigger. Equal measure of praise is due to most other men, the importance of alis | the word officials of the Oregon Short solide immediates to the nearth of the Line who promptly placed a switch promit. They know better that any- migne at the disposal of the polles checked by disregarding quarantite and body else the evil influences of intoxis and made the arrests possible. In an heireas."-Boston Transcript.

may come and men may go, but the Ananias club goes on forever.

If iron is still the touchstone of the nation's prosperity then the statement of the U.S. Steel company shows that the prosperity has not been very great of late. According to the statement its net earnings for 1908 were nearly seventy million dollars less than for the year before.

Secretary Root's decision not to grant the request of the Russian government for the extradition of Christian Rudo wicz, will meet with almost unanimous approval. The general belief is, and it would be impossible to shake it. that Russia wanted to obtain possession of Rudowicz because of his political offenses and not because of any charges of crime against him. Once again the United States has proven that'it is an asylum for the oppressed of all nations.

Tomorrow, Thursday, Mr. C. J. Gyllenswan, janitor of the Fourteenth Ward Assembly rooms, will celebrate the 25th anniversary of his entrance upon that service in the Fourteenth ward. An entertainment is to be given in the evening for his benefit, and we hope it will be well attended. Twenty five years is a long time to serve in any one position, and Mr. Gyllenswan has done so fuithfully. It is a question whether any other ward in the Church has a janitor that has held his position so long.





"Why are you so enthusiastic about sutomobiles and airships?"

Other Fish to Fry. 'Ma'am, here's a man at the door th a parced for you". "What is it. Bridget?" "It's a fish, ma'am, and it's marked

"Then make the man take it straight back to the dealer. I ordered trout."

-Baltimore American.

The Other Extreme Nearly Due, "Well, there's one encouraging thing about the enormous hats the ladies are "What's that?" "They will be wearing very small

ones hext year."-Chicago Record-Herald.

"Kiases are intoxicaling," said he-"Weil"" And she. "And I'm a mistle-toper."-Louisville Courier-Journal.

"A case of love at first sight, ch.7" "No second sight. The first time he saw her he didn't know that she was