

MILLAN THE MENDACIOUS.

THE people of Utah are familiar with the name of McMillan. Not because the person bearing it has ever done anything extraordinary, but in consequence of his figuring in a fiction which has been widely copied, and which has been widely copied in Sanpete. He is a Presbyterian preacher of the ordinary kind, but circumstances have given him opportunities for a little brief distinction. The story which we alluded to is a fiction, and we are allowed to be repeated, acknowledging its falsity in private to the "Mormons," but never contradicting it in public to the "Gentiles," was not original. As we have previously shown, it was but a Presbyterian plagiarism of a Methodist myth, concocted by one Lyford, who gleamed dimly for a very short period as a preacher at Provo, but whose light went out suddenly after he had made the begging tour of the east now common to his tribe.

We have heard of McMillan's using this falsehood about carrying a Bible in one hand or pocket, and a pistol in the other, as necessary companions to a missionary career in Utah, but have understood that he denied on his return having repeated it while away. But we have caught him at it this time. The Denver Republican gives a long report of a discourse delivered by him in the Central Presbyterian Church of the Colorado capital, on Sunday evening, April 31st. The object, it is needless to say, was a fat collection, or to use his own expression, the Rev. Hay's, the pastor in charge, used him and his "Mormon" romance "as a cat's paw to pull money out of the pockets of the people."

He was introduced to tell "the story of Mormonism by a man who carried the Cross into the camp of the Danites in the face of death, and preached the Gospel of Christ with his hand on his pistol." What a taking announcement to draw a paying congregation! We do not propose to follow the reverend romancer through the tortuous windings of his imaginative and mendacious harangue, but will make a few extracts therefrom, that the people of Sanpete—the reporter got it from Crek—may know of his doings and that the Utah public may be satisfied as to his baseness.

After mingling up a small modicum of truth with a great deal of falsehood about "Mormon" doctrine, "blood atonement," the "theocratic principle," and so forth, he said: "Each movement is watched and guarded, and the church agents now every egg, chicken, vegetable and pig that a man owns. A man may be surprised by the Bishop arriving in the pulpit and denouncing him for his inordination. Then he pronounces a curse on the man's crops, that they might wither away. Then he calls off the victim's water supply for irrigating purposes, and the curse of, course, comes to pass. The water and everything is under the control of the Bishop, and if a man attempts to flee from the curse and leave the country, he leaves his life."

Referring to the endowment, about which he knows as much as a donkey knows of the solar system, he remarked concerning the Saints:

"They are first taught that their first duty is to the Mormon church. If they take an oath outside the church they are taught to break it if it conflicts with the church, and this is the reason a Mormon cannot be brought to justice. 'Suppose,' he said, 'that John Smith should commit a terrible crime in Colorado, and should fly to Utah—I use the same simile, as it will probably not touch any one here—and John should become a good Mormon, go through the Endowment House and receive a new name and stand in with the priests. When John dies, and the angel should call on John Smith, accusing him of having committed these crimes, there would be no John Smith to answer for them as John would have dropped his name when he put off the flesh.' [Laughter.]

In the Endowment House a woman is also given a new name, but this she must tell to her husband, and if he happens to forget it she can never rise up from the grave, nor can she rise if he does not call her. Their future life all depends upon their husbands."

BY TELEGRAPH.

AMERICAN.

LATEST DISPATCHES.

The Largest Meeting of Troopers in the West.

New York, 12.—The Spirit of the Times, commenting upon the large number of entries, 222, for the opening meeting of the Chicago Driving Park, says: Superlative expressions are fully warranted in speaking of this result, it being the largest number of entries ever made in any trotting meeting in the world and still more remarkable for the character of the nominations and results.

Business failures reported to New York from various parts of the country during the week 113, distributed as follows: Eastern States 17, Western 40, Southern 36, Middle 10, Pacific Coast and Territories, and New York City and Brooklyn 15.

Business Review.

Following is the report of the condition of trade in New York for the week ending to day. The volume of business has been very light in New York and changes show a steady decline in transactions throughout the country. This is no doubt partly caused by the extraordinary inclement and unreasonable weather. There has been a very quiet week in the dry goods business and the market generally dull. What little animation there is is owing to back orders and not to current demands. In the grain market wheat has been quite steady in value and prices will keep up, closing with considerable firmness. The wild oats and the break of two or three cents a bushel which occurred in the early part of the week has been fairly recovered and prices closed firm at advanced rates. Business in these districts of grain have been quite large. In pork and provisions the market has been very steady, and prices have varied but few points and would barely show a profit to those who operate for quick turns.

A Terrible Visit.

News from the McMillan episode.

Just think of the hypocrite, after uttering the falsehoods set in solid type above, asking for "the prayers of the people" he had been deceiving for an hour for the purpose of "pulling money out of their pockets!" If there has been any doubt among the folks in this region as to the mendacity of this preacher, it must now be completely dispelled. To liken him to Ananias would be a libel on the man struck dead for lying. It is useless to expose him to the "Christian" public of the East, for they look for just such tales as he has to tell about the "Mormons," but he will be known here now for what he is. And one of the plainest proofs that his stories of danger among the "Mormons" are utterly without foundation, is the fact that he can return among the people whom he has been maligning abroad, and not a voice nor a hand will be raised to do him injury. Let him fill up the measure of his meanness and pass, as he will, into oblivion and finally into the place prepared for them who love and make a lie.

WATCH THEIR CAREER.

PUBLIC men who step out of the line of their duty to make a special onslaught upon the "Mormons" generally come to grief. Give them time enough and disgrace, oblivion or death is their doom. They never prosper long. The experience of half a century has proven this to the satisfaction of those who have watched and waited. We have no doubt that the future will correspond with the past in this particular. Haskell of Kansas, Edmunds of Vermont, Cassidy of Nevada, and others who have thought to gain favor and renown by figuring as prominent anti-"Mormons," will seek to shine and strive for position; but clouds they never dreamed of will come up to obscure their firmament, and stumbling blocks they never calculated upon will trip their feet on the way to expected eminence.

Among these latest candidates for glory on the anti-"Mormon" platform is Speaker Kellier. To his unjust, unprecedented and indefensible rulings may be attributed much of the wrong done to Utah in the present Congress. He commenced his career as Speaker by playing into the hands of the plotters who had determined on depriving Utah of representation, and he has continued in the same kind of game. The following from an eastern exchange expresses the feeling with which he is already regarded, even among members of his own party:

"The most offensive blockhead in conspicuous public place to-day is undoubtedly the Speaker of the national House of Representatives. He was chosen to his place by a political intrigue of a disreputable character, in the face of the fact that he was virtually disqualified to discharge his duties. His first action in office was shamelessly to rack the committees of the House to gratify these who had carried out the scheme of his election, and in doing this he not only sacrificed fairness towards his fellow-members, but he seriously interfered with the interests of the government. Since then he has pursued a constant course of bull-headed blundering, varied occasionally by a worse demonstration."

Senator Edmunds is well understood to have an eye on the presidential chair. His ambition is gaining notice, but not in the way that he desires. He has not only posed as a "Mormon" eater, with a view to popularity, but has been strutting as a war orator, with the intention of firing the heart of the North with the old animosities against the South. But the New York Times, the organ of his own party, sits down upon him effectually, says "every man in his senses knows better" than to endorse such nonsense as Edmunds has uttered, and declares that "the old rebel States cannot do without us, and persistent nagging at communities with whom we are indissolubly bound savors neither of statesmanship nor common sense."

If all the ambitious assailants of this God-fearing community do not reap the fruits of their folly and sin, in trampling upon constitutional principles to gain the applause of the multitude, it will be because history has ceased to repeat itself. Watch their career and behold their fate!

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increased the number of fatalities. An eye witness of the storm says: Two horribly black clouds, one from the southeast and the other from the southwest met and seemed to tear each other like wild beasts. Continuous flashes of lightning made the scene bright than day. For over an hour, above the wild roar of the wind, could occasionally be heard the shrieks of the dying men, women and children. When the storm subsided no aid was at hand and none could be got until the next morning.

Whole-sale Confession of Jewish Property.

The World says: J. and W. Seligman & Co. have been advised by cable that Gen. Ignatieff intended presenting to the Czar yesterday a bill to confiscate all the property of the Jews in Russia. The sender of the telegram urged that the American government be begged to use its good offices to prevent the signing of the decree.

The Chinese Riddle.

CHICAGO, 12.—A Washington special says: A member of the diplomatic corps, whose sources of information are of the best, said the opinion was entertained at the Chinese legation that the Chinese bill will in a measure be inoperative and utterly fail to accomplish what its originators and supporters desire, viz., prevent the emigration of any new Chinese subjects to this country during the time fixed for the suspension of the treaty. It is not definitely known yet whether the Chinese will not regard the law as being in effect a violation of the treaty stipulations and either decline to be bound by its terms or recognize it and take steps to abrogate the entire treaty. In carrying into effect the new law, it will be necessary to furnish to Chinese now living in the United States and who may desire to return to China, papers entitling them to again return to the United States if they choose. These papers will be similar to the freedom papers carried by negroes before slavery was abolished to enable them to show they were entitled to travel without question. The Chinaman who leaves the United States for China will be entitled to receive such freedom papers from this government, to show that he is entitled to return again. It will be an easy matter for the Chinese to get possession of these papers when the holders set foot in China and send back to the other Chinaman to take their places. The duty of identifying Chinamen who seek to return to their shores under these freedom papers will devolve upon officials at San Francisco and other ports where they may land. As the description of one Chinaman is the description of 90 out of every 100, and it is consequently not believed that the Chinese legation that the United States officials can detect any false impersonation that may be attempted. The Chinese government was anxious to aid in executing any laws and upon the subject of immigration by having their consuls act in conjunction with our officials, but the law just passed contains no provision for joint action, consequently the Chinese government will not feel it necessary to aid in detecting any Chinamen who may seek our shores under freedom papers.

New Telegraph Line.

CHICAGO, 12.—A Boston special says: The Hon. A. M. Beard says when he returns from the custom house he will embark in a company soon to be organized to build and operate a telegraph line between New York and Chicago; the wire to be strung with copper and bring and a quarter of an inch thick.

Covered by Canyons.

SAN FRANCISCO, 12.—A Tomlinson special says: The canyon and its political friends held an indignation meeting last night, which was a complete failure. Its action in no way represented the sentiment of the respectable portion of the community. Resolutions denouncing the President and Governor were introduced, and when a vote was taken, the motion was lost, but the presiding officer declared them carried.

Wrecked.

A special from Crittenden says: Five carloads of workmen were wrecked on the New Mexico and Arizona R. R. this morning, near One man killed and eight injured.

FOREIGN.

New Inspector.

LONDON, 12.—Col. Henry Brackenbury, of the Royal Artillery, succeeds Col. Hillier as Inspector General of Irish Constabulary.

Suppressed Relations.

It is reported that relations between the Egyptian Ministry and English and French Comptroller General are ruptured.

Dead.

John Brown, of Edinburgh, a well known author, is dead.

Carrying the War into Africa.

A dispatch says: Complete anxiety prevails in Egypt. The protection of British life and property there has engaged the attention of the government. The powers are informed that steps will be taken by England and France jointly.

Tracing the Assassins.

DUBLIN, 11.—The police have traced the car with the four assassins to this city, where they alighted. It has been ascertained that a cab accompanied the car to the scene of the murder. It is believed that the cab contained four men who went to point out to the victim by signal and see that the murder was carried out, and that these men subsequently re-entered the car and drove back to the city.

Another Man Assassinated.

A farmer named Barrett, on entering his house near Ballina, on returning from the fair, was shot and mortally wounded. Barrett was recently warned not to take the farm from which another person had been evicted.

Another Arrest.

A man about Belfast, believed to be an American, was arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the murders. Blood stains were on his clothes.

Seven Thousand Jewish Refugees.

VIENNA, 11.—There are 7,000 Jewish refugees in Brady; 200 arrive every day, while only 500 leave weekly. Their misery is indescribable.

Immense Conflagration in Russia.

St. Petersburg, 11.—Huge fires in the southeast of Russia. The loss of property is enormous, and distress extreme.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Base ball at Boston; Boston 5, Troy 4, Worcester 0.

The Treasury purchased \$20,000 ounces of silver on Wednesday.

Senator Brown, of Georgia, is expected back soon as his health has improved.

The Washington Continental Association at Washington has completed its organization.

Nearly 5,000 immigrants arrived at New York Wednesday, by various European steamers.

It is probable that ex-Senator Buckwalter will be nominated for governor by the Pennsylvania democrats.

The steamer Wm. Barrens started from Yonkiden on Wednesday for the Arctic in search of the Leigh Smith expedition.

Col. Hillier, Inspector General of Constabulary, has resigned. A distinguished military officer is selected to succeed him.

The Lord Lieutenant of Ireland signed a minute forbidding executive officials to go beyond the precincts of the city without protection.

Congressman Black, of Georgia, continues seriously ill which seems to have taken the symptoms of paralysis. His mind continues bright.

The Missouri republicans here say that in spite of the democratic guerrilla, the party will be likely to gain two or three members of Congress in the State.

The wife of Sargent Mason made a strong appeal to President Arthur. The President said he had great sympathy for her, and the editors are to be laid before the Cabinet.

The Chicago Times says Paddy Ryan told the truth about his difficulty in the fight with Sullivan. He called upon a State Street expert yesterday and secured a relative truth to hold a double inguinal hernia.

The Commercial Advertiser says ex-Secretary Blaine has made known to some of his intimate personal friends his intention to go to Europe and spend from one to two years, leaving his political interests in the hands of Senator Hale and Secretary Chandler.

Correspondence.

The Suicide at St. Charles.

PARIS, Bear Lake Co., Idaho, May 5th, 1882.

Editor Deseret News:

As notices have appeared in the NEWS, as well as other local papers, of the recent suicide at St. Charles, this County, of Zacharia Anderson, and nothing said in particular about the kind of man he was, I deem it but a simple act of justice to the dead to state what is known in this valley and elsewhere concerning him.

Brother Anderson was an upright, straight-forward, hard working and faithful Latter-day Saint, one who attended his own business and was ever on hand to help others and sustain by his acts and words the cause of truth, was a good citizen and himself and family highly respected and respected in the community.

A few years ago his mind became impaired and he was taken to Salt Lake City where he received treatment in the asylum returned convalescent and was finally restored to health and apparent reason. This spring he was attacked with a severe and painful swelling in the head, and just previous to his death he was afflicted, hastened the dreaded consequences, for the facts and manner of death conclusively show a wrecked mind, in the act of self-destruction, with no accountability can attach to him.

The fact that suicidal deaths generally carry with them implied admission of guilt or disgrace, compels me to say what I have for Zacharia Anderson. His suicide was not of any criminal intent of wrong, he was a diseased unfortunate, and the "whys" and "wherefores" can only be stated with confidence, and after, whether they are drifting.

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