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**TAKE WARNING.**

The fire at North Collinwood, near Cleveland, O., in which so many little ones were burned to death, or trampled into an unrecognizable mass, is one of the most pitiful calamities on record for many years. It is heartrending to think of the innocent children, one moment a joyful throng full of life and vigor and activity; another, surrounded by roaring flames, struggling, shrieking, dying. It is sickening to try to imagine the awful scenes in that building. It is impossible to realize the grief and sorrow and agony of the parents who were deprived, in that terrible hour, of their children. The loving sympathy of the country goes out to them in their bereavement, but there is only One who can heal the wounds, give comfort and hope, in such supreme trials.

The calamity should be a warning to all in charge of school buildings, and other houses where hundreds of people spend a greater part of the day, to see to it that exits are clear and that there is a sufficient number of avenues of escape in case of an emergency. In most of the fatalities on record, fires, collisions, explosions, etc., in which a number of lives have been sacrificed, neglect, or incompetency, on the part of somebody in a responsible position has been proved. In the recent fire in one of the electric shows, in one of the eastern cities, by which so many lives were lost, it was proved that the exits were inadequate, and that the lantern was in charge of inexperienced employees. When the panic struck the crowd, the doors were soon blocked.

It should be the business of those in charge of public buildings of any description, as well as of private buildings let out for offices, or similar purposes, to see to it every day, that escape from fire is made not only possible, but easy. If there ever is criminal negligence, it is negligence in this matter.

**SENATOR SMOOT IN WASHINGTON**

Citizens of Utah who visit Washington are almost unanimous in the conviction that our State is well represented in Congress. Our Senators and Representative in the House, they find, are honored and respected among their colleagues, and they are, consequently, an honor to their constituencies. And this is the fact no less in the case of Senator Reed Smoot, than Senator Sutherland or Congressman Howell.

We make a note of this particularly, because if anyone should be under the impression that the bitter persecution to which the Senator from Utah has been subjected, has lowered him in the esteem of fellow-senators, or other public men with whom he has come in almost daily contact, they should know that they are mistaken. Senator Smoot is very highly esteemed. The sterling character of his morals, his ability, and his readiness to serve the State as an impartial representative of all parties and interests, have won for him friends and admirers, and he, consequently, exercises more than common influence for the good of the State. That is, we say, the almost unanimous opinion of those who have visited Washington and become acquainted with the true situation.

Mr. Charles B. Stewart, of this city, who recently returned from Washington, confirms all that has been said on this subject by others. He went to the national capital at the instance of wool growers in Utah and the National Woolgrowers' Association, and he had a very successful trip. He does not belong to the political party of which Senator Smoot is a member, and he has no political axe to grind. But, when questioned on this subject, he unhesitatingly stated that, contrary to his expectations, he found that the tales told about Utah, the Church and the Senator, by the unscrupulous defamers that have been at it now for years, so far from having had the intended effect of staining his character, had had the opposite effect, while both the tales and the defamers were, in his hearing, characterized as "infamous," by men whose friendship and good will are worth something. And "infamous" certainly is the right adjective.

Few realize to what length the infamy is being carried. Not only in public addresses but also privately is the "infamous" course pursued, to judge from a letter received from Peavey, Idaho, in which the writer says that an anti-"Mormon" ex-Senator is personally spreading false rumors about Senator Smoot privately, that he would not dare to repeat on the lecture platform. But, in spite of all, Senator Smoot is a man of influence, and his usefulness increases as he becomes known. It cannot but be pleasing to the people of Utah to know that the State is well represented, notwithstanding all the efforts by envy and jealousy to deprive its representatives of influence.

**GIVING THE OTHER SIDE.**

We are pleased to notice that several Southern papers reproduce in full the sermon of Elder Ben E. Rich on Loyalty, previously mentioned in these columns. The Chattanooga News prefaces the article with the following remark:

"Inasmuch as Mr. Rich has been a resident of Chattanooga during the past ten years, the Chattanooga News reproduces the sermon as a personal compliment to him, and there is no doubt but that it will be read with much interest by the thousands of readers of The News. The headquarters of the Mormon mission has been located in Chattanooga for over twenty years and their representatives have always been enterprising and worthy people of this community, going about their business quietly, in a dignified and gentlemanly-like manner, minding their own business and minding no criticism or unfavorable comment towards them. During the time Mr. Rich has been in Chattanooga, hundreds of thousands of dollars have been expended in supplies for their Elders and they have contributed largely in making Chattanooga what she is, the most prosperous city in the South."

This is an appreciation of "Mormon" missionary work which is given by our esteemed Chattanooga contemporary in the spirit of broad-mindedness and as a tribute upon the altar of truth.

Wherever the Latter-day Saints go, blessings, both spiritual and temporal, accompany them. There is no excuse for the antagonism aroused by some of their opponents. There was no real excuse for the crusades that were undertaken against the Valdeses and Aibigenes of old, by which their beautiful valleys were devastated and thousands massacred. There is no excuse now for any anti-"Mormon" movement. It is dictated by selfishness and bigotry and is best characterized as "persecution."

We beg to express our appreciation of the liberal spirit in which the Atlanta Georgian, the Chattanooga News, and the Alabama Times have undertaken to aid the cause of truth, by giving "the other side" a full hearing.

**ABUSE OF CORN.**

Burns says in the case of Tam O'Shanter:

Inspiring, bold John Barleycorn, What dangers thou canst make us scorn!  
And so Tam was nerved up to see "an uncouth sight—warlocks and witches in a dance!"

But the result was only his bewildered race for life, and no good came of the courage he had derived from what Mr. Ingersoll also referred to in terms of praise as "the married souls of wheat and corn."

It is evident, however, that the inebriate looks upon liquor as a merely refreshing and exhilarating drink. Men take liquor also to give them courage, or to induce forgetfulness of trouble, or to nerve themselves up to certain deeds from the commission of which, in their right mind, consequences might deter them.

Strong drink simply makes men forget their caution and neglect the safety of themselves and of the interests entrusted to them.

But there are some things that men in their senses cannot forget. In a recent temperance fight, for instance, made by the mothers of Alabama against the liquor traffic, the following card was effectively used:

From a bushel of corn the distiller gets four gallons of whisky.

Which retails at ..... \$16.75  
The farmer gets ..... 4.00  
The U. S. government gets ..... 4.40  
The railroad company gets ..... .50  
The manufacturer gets ..... 4.00  
The dryman gets ..... 4.00  
The retailer gets ..... 7.00  
The consumer gets ..... Drunk  
The wife gets ..... Hungry  
The children get ..... Rags  
The politician gets ..... Office  
The man who votes the license gets What?

"Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that putteth thy bottle to him, and makest him drunken also!" Hab. 2: 15.

These are mere samples of many similar facts that older men forget and that younger men should be reminded of.

The hilarity of the flowing bowl is a temptation to many a youth full of life, seeking merely pleasurable diversion and scarcely contemplating evil. Governor Cutler on his recent tour of inspection among the gilded parlors of intemperance found many young men frequenting saloons, and called upon the citizens to save them from the probable consequences of their unthinking folly.

Even sober people sometimes get impatient and in effect, answer, "Am I my brother's keeper?" But we heard one strong man, with a model family, answer to better purpose: "It may be my son or it may be yours; but whose-soever son it is, it is our duty to save him."

**VALUATION OF RAILROADS.**

What is called the physical valuation of railroads is now receiving much attention. How much are railroads worth per mile?

Texas, Michigan and Wisconsin have recently made this valuation for purposes of taxation. Michigan found in 1900 the commercial value of her railroad per mile to be \$32,100, the physical value in present condition \$21,500, and the cost of reproduction \$26,100. Wisconsin in 1903 appraised commercial valuation at \$40,400 per mile, present condition at \$25,500, and cost of reproduction \$30,900, while Texas in 1906, not attempting to set a present value, found the commercial valuation to be \$30,100 per mile, and cost of reproduction, \$16,531.

The first, says the New York Post, is the one made by engineers and appraisers in the field, piecemeal, rails, stations, rolling stock, as a merchant would make an inventory of his stock at the close of the year. The other is made on a basis primarily of the securities and their selling prices, treats the entire property as a unit, and necessarily reckons in all sorts of potentialities, favorable and unfavorable, "good will" and franchise values.

Prof. Ripley in the Political Science Review, does not believe that any "vast and unknown possibilities of evil" are involved in the physical valuation plan.

"The plan of valuation under consideration," he says, "seeks not to find the total value at all, but to discover what part of it is represented by real property and what part by intangible assets." This knowledge, which seems to be practically irrelevant to the fixing of a particular rate, becomes important, he believes, when the general level of rates is to be considered.

The valuation is desired in order that state regulation of rates may be intelligently undertaken. There are, however,

two kinds of valuation, physical and commercial.

The value of a railroad, viewed as a single asset, says a recent writer in the Atlantic, "is its earning power capitalized, and nothing else whatever." Physical valuation he regards as mere guess work and likens it to "a computation of the circumference of a circle by the formula of four places of decimals." On the other hand, says the Post points out, if a railroad's value is simply its earning power capitalized, then the interest of the public can make no headway at all. "If high rates justify large capitalization and large capitalization justifies high rates statesmanship and finance alike are caught in a vicious circle. Rates must not be touched because they are necessary for a respectable return on the capitalization; capitalization must not be touched because it is justified by earnings under the existing schedules of rates." The fact is therefore that the facts must be found out and the valuation of the railroads ascertained in some way before there can be any intelligent fixing of railroad charges by legislatures. And it appears that the ascertainment of real values is one of the most difficult problems of our times.

Let us hope that the dispute between Uncle Sam and President Castro of Venezuela may not develop internecine strife. As neighbors let's settle the affair by talking it over.

In less than a week the wave of anarchy has moved westward from Chicago to Los Angeles and Chief Kern is threatened with death if he continues his campaign against lawlessness.

The inevitable has come. Boys of the age that is most susceptible to outward influences have taken up "Black Hand" methods. This is just one other reason why the leaders of alien black-mailing and anarchistic societies should be driven whence they came.

Another attorney from California is feeling the law's strong grip. Jerome has him in his clutches on an extortion charge. Can it be that there is something in the California air that makes some people covet other people's property?

The necessity for a fire drill in all places where great numbers of people, young and old or either, congregate, is made tragically apparent by the Collinwood disaster. In the schools it should be a matter of at least weekly routine and not at such a regular interval that it would come expectedly. All arguments against such a practice seem to be set at naught by yesterday's fire.

**THE INDIANS.**

Cleveland Plain Dealer.

It would appear that the Indian has now reached man's estate, and is entitled no longer to be considered as a ward of the nation. His ability to manage his own affairs and to compete successfully with the white man has been demonstrated over and over again. His appearance on the floor of the senate shows that he no longer desires to be fostered and coddled, and will no longer submit to being robbed and exploited. He is now an American without distinction from other Americans. In spite of all the American Indians have suffered they are not a disappearing race. They have, for the most part, attained the state of Caucasian civilization, and are now actually increasing in numbers. As long as they remain an uncivilized people the law of the survival of the fittest demanded their gradual extermination, and the exterminating process went steadily on. This has now ceased, and the tide has set strongly in the other direction. Not for very many generations—perhaps not ever—will the trace of the Indian be made invisible in the American nation.

**A CHAOTIC CHILD.**

Pall Mall Gazette.

Surely the mystery of life was greater than the mystery of death in the case of a five months' old child which has just been the subject of an inquest at Battersea. And what the doctor calls "drumstick" fingers and toes, its heart was on the right side instead of the left, the position of the lungs was reversed, the aorta curved down the right side instead of the left, there was no spleen, the liver was on the wrong side, and there was no division between the two chambers of the heart, while the artery which should have carried the blood with blood was closed, the blood passing through a communication between the aorta and the remaining portion of the pulmonary artery. With all this jumbled anatomy the child lived, and the medical evidence proved that its death was not directly due to the disarranged organs, but to an attack of bronchitis. Still, death came mercifully, for the child had lived until it could stand it would have died of heart disease. That it breathed at all proves the tenacity of life and forms a comment on the medical view of the child. It constituted children which annually results from negligence.

**A LESSON FOR SPITTERS.**

The city ordinance reads: "No person shall spit upon any public sidewalk, or upon the floor of any public conveyance, or upon the floor of any theater, hall, assembly-room or public building, under a penalty of not less than \$1 nor more than \$5 for each offense." In the cases tried as the result of a recent police round-up, the fine assessed against each one of twenty accused men was \$2. That served the purpose of a gentle reminder, and it is not likely to be forgotten by the persons immediately concerned. Moreover, it is to be hoped that the publicity given these cases will spread the knowledge of the fact that there is an ordinance against spitting and that this will act as a deterrent. But there need be no cessation of police activity on that account. More fines will emphasize the lesson that is being so properly taught and conduce to general cleanliness.

**RAILROADS AND THE DRAMA.**

Louisville Herald.

The prospect for the drama in the south has suddenly become extremely dark. The trouble seems to lie with the railroads that throughout this section have taken advantage of recent interstate commerce commission rulings to insist upon theatrical companies paying full fares. The result is that several big companies have abandoned in Louisville within the past two weeks rather than spend the season's receipts on southern travel. Others will follow their example.

**A FURNACE SIGHT HOLE.**

Engineer.

A sight hole to enable a stoker to see the combustion without opening the fire door, says Power, is a very useful adjunct to a furnace, as an intelligent stoker soon notes what color indicates that the boiler is doing its best, and learns how to regulate his operations to obtain that color.

**A SERMONET FOR WORKERS**

[By H. J. Hagwood.]

Kickers attract attention everywhere. There are two classes—the four-legged kicker and the two-legged kicker. The first class demands a high price. He is a hybrid creature with an irritable disposition, and is known in all Anglo-Saxon speaking communities as the mule. Although somewhat of a menace to the dashboard and the persons sitting immediately behind the same, the four-legged kicker is of vast economic usefulness to the community.

The two-legged kicker, on the other hand, although he does less physical damage with his pedal extremities, is of little or no value to the society to which he owes his allegiance. He is an amusing animal.

Whenever he kicks up his heels he usually kicks down a valuable institution. Kicking up an awful gust about a thing seldom implies building up anything good. It generally means tearing down something not so good and leaving nothing in its place. When you feel like kicking, instead of making yourself obnoxious to everybody around the place, just lock yourself into your private office and kick yourself up pieces. If one really wants to kick he generally can find enough in his own state of being to kick about; for just as truly as charity begins at home, so every man should be his own kicking post.

**JUST FOR FUN.**

The Locksmith's Chance.

On the park bench sat two lovers. The passing locksmith dropped his kit and laughed long and uproariously.

"Why do you laugh?" asked the park policeman.

"Oh, just to get even," confided the locksmith. "You know how long I have waited at locksmiths, so I thought it would be a good chance for the locksmith to laugh at love."

And then the old man laughed himself out of sight—Chicago News.

**Suitable to Her.**

Elderly Coquette—I don't like this furniture. It isn't suitable for my style.

Dealer—What do you say to something antique?—Meggendorfer Blatter.

**What Is Oblivion.**

Tommy—Pop, what is oblivion?  
Tommy's Pop—Getting married to a famous woman, my son—Philadelphia Record.

**To Be Investigated.**

"Since Louis Ferrari began the prosecution of these impure milk cases," remarked one of a group at the Olympic club, "he's suspicious of anything that looks like milk."

"How so?" ventured one of the listeners.

"Well, one of the fellows had a bottle of emulsion of cod liver oil, white stuff, the vilest dope a man ever tasted. It was in a plain, big-neck bottle. 'Where'd they get that stuff?' asked Ferrari.

"I think," said Andrew Glarner, "I think Jack Gleason got it from his brother's place."

"Ah," exclaimed Ferrari, "I don't care if Jack is a member of the club, I'm going after his brother's dairy. I put some of that milk in my coffee this morning, and it was all to the bad."—San Francisco Chronicle.

**His Complaint.**

"All de world's a stage," quoted Tired Tifins.

"Clock full o' sawmills, machine shops, boiler factories, an' de like," commenced his chum. "Too much realism, Tifins, too much realism for a fanciful man."—Kansas City Journal.

**Beauty In Deformity.**

Sally Gay—What a cunning little fellow Mr. Callipers is?  
Dolly Swift—Cunning? Why, look at him—he's dreadfully bow-legged.

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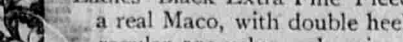
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