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HERE ARE A FEW MORE.

The announcement by Senator Teller, after hearing of the action of the committee on privileges and elections in the case of Senator Reed Smoot, that he would not consider the question when it should come up for consideration in the Senate upon public clamor, but upon questions of constitutional right, is characteristic of the Senator from Colorado and his feelings are shared no doubt by a large number of his Senatorial associates.

The number of those who believe nothing further than the facts that Mr. Smoot is a Mormon is necessary to justify his expulsion is formidable indeed—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The Chicago Chronicle has a thoughtful editorial from which we take the annexed extracts. After making some remarks on the petitions signed by such a large number of the women of the country, it says:

This demonstration is useful as vindicating it its extremest form the right of petition, but it is nevertheless an abuse of that right. It is a merely shabby performance, not one in 1,000 of the signers having any knowledge whatever of the merits of the Smoot inquiry, and it must be considered as only a refined and womanish sort of mob law.

These petitions seem to have had the desired effect on the committee, which voted that Smoot was not entitled to his seat, but a motion to exclude him and another to expel him failed to pass, and it is still doubtful whether the examination which has already lasted three years will result in expulsion before the term of office of the Utah senator shall have expired.

Even in the face of this positive recommendation it is not easy to believe that the Senate will actually cast Mr. Smoot's name out of its records, why a man whose conduct is so reprehensible. He ought not to be a member of the Senate—open that most of us are agreed, but Senator Smoot is not a polygamist; that much has been clearly demonstrated by the Senate inquiry respecting his character and his status. He is an adherent of Mormonism and an officer of the Mormon Church, and while that is enough to condemn him in the eyes of many, it is not a cause for debaring him from the Senate, since the Constitution expressly declares the right of every man to maintain such religious connections as he pleases.

men than that reached by other prominent public journals. The Butte Intermountain, also usually unfriendly to "Mormonism" and the "Mormons," has an editorial on the current topic, which we here append:

There is more of religious bigotry than of patriotism in the clamor for Smoot's removal and more of partisan political prejudice than of either in the senate proceedings to contest his right to a seat. The whole business is of the same piece of intellectual lberity which some years ago prompted the organization of a proscriptive society upon the theory that the perpetuation of religious freedom under the Constitution called for the exclusion from public office in America of all members of the oldest and largest church of the Christian religion in this country or in the world. One needs no more of respect for the palpable faults and contemptible crimes of Mormonism than that maintained by any of the followers of any of the fathers from the Harvard Baptist to the self-fostered Episcopalian, to be opposed to the sympathetic boycott sought to be made effective by the ousting of Smoot.

There are many things yet to be done before the expulsion of the Utah senator will be completed. This committee resolution does not even ask for it. It solemnly resolves that he is not entitled to a seat and passes the business up to the senate to determine whether or not any act shall be done to deprive him of it, as well as leaving open the question of how he may be made to abdicate. There is no precedent for the expulsion, no provision in the laws whereby it may be accomplished. Plus resolutions surpass in unaction but lack the efficiency of a constitutional clause beyond the senate is the supreme court, and there the question may be carried before the law shall be finally interpreted. Meanwhile Smoot may be retired by the expiration of his term of office, and the state of Utah may relieve the anxiety by electing a much wiser man from either a religious or a political standpoint, as it has done before.

Our Butte contemporary conveys a modicum of truth in stating that "Senator Smoot could not have been elected without Mormon influence," because the "Mormons" form a majority of the electors of this State, and no one whose election depends upon the action of the majority of the population could be elected to any position in their gift, without what might be called "Mormon influence." But the term is incorrect for this reason; the citizens of Utah do not vote as Mormons, Methodists, Baptists, Congregationalists, Unitarians, Hebrews or Catholics, but simply as citizens. The two great political parties have their adherents in all these different denominations, and elections do not turn upon questions of faith or membership in any sect.

The sarcasm contained in the closing sentence of the Butte paper's cogent remarks is evidently aimed at certain predecessors of the present senator from Utah. It is a well directed shaft and reaches the same center which has been recently pierced with irritating effect. The venomous assaults of Senator Smoot and of the people with whom he is religiously associated, have not had much cause to gloat over the accomplishments of late, and we are inclined to think that the chagrin which is evident in their overflows of bile and bitterness will not be aggravated by future developments.

LET THERE BE LAW.

The German public, it is claimed, is perfectly protected against the dangers of tainted meat. The government sees to that. If the German butcher, or packer, ventures to kill a steer, or a hog, before it has been duly inspected and he is caught—as he is sure to be sooner or later—the carcass of the animal, whether healthy or unhealthy, is taken away from him and burned to a cinder. And the inspection does not end with the first examination. After the animal is slaughtered the carcass is inspected from the inside, and when a doubt arises as to its condition it also is taken away and burned. Finally, those carcasses that are in sound condition are quartered and otherwise cut up for the butcher's stall where the people go to buy their meat. Here a third official guarantees the purity of the product is given to the consumer. Every piece of the carcass thus prepared for sale, no matter into how many pieces it is divided, must have a little official label on it before an ounce of it can be sold.

The so-called Beverage amendment to the bill making appropriations for the department of agriculture contemplates similar regulations for this country. It proposes post mortem examination of all cattle, swine, sheep and goats to be prepared for human consumption; condemnation and destruction of all unsound or unhealthy carcasses; inspection and stamping of all meat products, canned or otherwise prepared; inspection of sanitary conditions as well as animals slaughtered; the prohibition of shipment of products not marked "inspected and passed," and the transportation by common carriers from establishments that have no certificate showing approved sanitary conditions. It provides that inspectors have free entrance to slaughtering establishments day and night, inspection fees to be paid by packers and a fine of \$10.00 or two years' imprisonment, or both, for violation or provisions of the act. The packers, it is said, object to such regulations, but it should be in their own interest to give the public every guarantee possible that decency is not

outraged in their establishments. We shudder at the reports of the use of dog carcasses in some European butcher establishments, and it is seriously asserted that the consumption of dog is increasing. But even those reports are hardly worse than the official description of conditions prevailing in some of the establishments where American food is being prepared for the market. The details are simply revolting. And it is claimed that all has not yet been told.

WORTHLESS PETITIONS.

The case with which signatures in any number can be secured for petitions, and the consequent worthlessness of documents made up of names that stand only for ignorance and thoughtlessness, were well illustrated in a case recently brought to public attention through the press. The case, according to the Newsbury Post News, was that of a Lawrence man who entered a store and for what appeared to be a very good reason was refused a certain request. He left threatening to settle with the proprietor, both as to the amount of his bill and in another way. When he came back he did settle his bill. He also drew a revolver and began shooting. He shot the wife of the proprietor of the store and would have killed both the proprietor and his wife, had his aim been better. It was his intention to do this, and only the intervention of his poor marksmanship prevented such a calamity. Yet in the face of this, a tardy assault, a petition was presented in court, asking for leniency, and this was signed by many prominent citizens.

The incident proves that signatures can be obtained for almost any kind of a petition. Some sign because they are pleased with the importance they fancy the appeal to them for the use of their names implies. Others sign because of friendship for the solicitor of signatures, and others because, in their kindness of heart, they feel reluctant to refuse a request the granting of which does not, as they assume, cost them anything. Others again sign because that it an easy way of getting rid of the solicitor. If most documents of that kind were scrutinized and analyzed, it would be found that a very small percentage in each case did really represent the opinion of anybody but the originator of the petition, who may be too insignificant, or too well known to command respect and attention by his own personal merits.

It is all wrong. Signatures should never be thoughtlessly given. Some persons have sustained considerable financial loss because they have signed documents they did not fully understand, presented to them by sharpers. The moral loss incurred by thoughtless use of names, at the instigation of demagogues with petitions, is often as real and irreparable as the financial kind. The right of petition is a privilege and a boon, but the abuse of this right may become a menace to free institutions.

JUST FOR FUN.

Breaks Even on the Divorce? They are making matrimony easy in New York. An enterprising lawyer over these advertisements to many all needy couples not only free of charge, but throws in a wedding ring and a family cat for nothing. Of course he is doing a flourishing business, and it remains to be seen where his profit comes in. Probably the answer to that query is summed up in a somewhat familiar proposition that it always pays to advertise.—Boston Herald.

Just Before the Ceremony.

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KINGLY COURAGE.

New York Sun. Twice Alfonso, King of Spain, has been the target for a bomb, and each time he has not only escaped injury but has borne himself with a calmness and dignity that well befitted his station. It cannot be written of him as of another monarch, "And Nicky ran." Last year the people of Paris were won by this young man's conduct when an attempt was made on his life in the streets of that city. His popularity among his own subjects must be increased by the manner in which he acted yesterday. One thing a king needs in these levelling days, perhaps more than kings needed it in the past, is personal courage, and that Alfonso seems to have.

NOT TOO HOT FOR THEM.

Topeka Herald. It fills one with horror to feel that the world contains a being so devoid of human sympathy as to attempt the assassination of a happy bride couple almost at the foot of the altar. If yesterday's work at Madrid were the contribution of an anarchist, it is calculated to make one feel that, if there is no hell, there should be one for that class of fiends.

RUSSIA AND ENGLAND.

New York Evening Post. Delimitation of spheres of influence in Persia, perhaps the most important feature of the Anglo-Russian understanding now nearing final negotiation, would relieve international politics of a particularly dangerous question. It is said that Russia abandons her claim to a port on the Persian Gulf and Great Britain acknowledges Russia's paramount position in the northern half of the shah's dominions. British influence was once supreme throughout Persia and imports into that country came almost entirely from Manchester, but the markets of Teheran, Tabriz and Meshed have been flooded with Russian goods, and the energy of Russia's agents has destroyed British influence in the north. But if Britain gives way in north Persia, she holds her own with the greatest determination in the south. Every foreign secretary, liberal or conservative, has recognized the necessity of keeping Russia at a distance. No one within recent years has been more instrumental in maintaining this policy than Lord Curzon. In his book on Persia he says that he would impeach as a traitor to his country any minister who permitted Russia to penetrate to the Gulf. Hence the fact that Russia and England are in agreement is a particularly encouraging sign of the times.

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