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BEGINNING TO SEE IT.

It is gratifying to observe that the press of the country is gradually beginning to acknowledge the enormity of the plundering process applied to the Latter-day Saints, and to see danger to other communities in the precedent it establishes. Some of the journals of the West, and a few of those of the East, have taken some of the views that have appeared in the News on the same topic, in connection with other ideas that bring to bear upon the theme of spoliation. Not a few of them are much more unsparing in their denunciations than we have been, the course of the News having been somewhat conservative, considering the extreme and unjustifiable measures in question. Before now, a recent issue of the Press, of Washington, which contains an article on the confiscation of the property of the "Mormons," from which we quote:

"The day seems to be of especial peril to freedom and justice in this land. So many encroachments upon individual rights are being made in the name of the brutal and irresponsible majority that we have not room or time for proper protest. But let us call attention to the atrocious acts by which the government is seeking to confiscate the property of a portion of its most peaceful, industrious and thriving people, for no other avowed reason than that their family life is not in all respects in conformity with the customs of a majority of their fellow citizens."

"We refer to the confiscation of the Mormon settlement property. Near the close of its last session congress passed an act empowering the government to wind up the affairs of the Mormon Church, and the emigrating fund company. The act declared the corporate existence of these institutions at an end and directed the attorney-general to sell the property, pay lawful claims and turn the balance over to the government of the United States, to be used for the support of common schools in Utah, excepting buildings and grounds now used exclusively for church purposes, also parsonages and cemeteries. This internal act is now being carried out. The government is robbing the Mormons by judicial process and treating them as a conquered people, whose institutions may be broken up, whose property may be confiscated and who shall in the conduct of their own affairs have no voice whatever."

"The property in question is now in the hands of the United States marshal of the territory, the marshal having been appointed by the supreme court of the territory. In other words the government has seized the property, and handed it over to one of its officials, who is empowered to dispose of it as though it were the estate of a bankrupt debtor. The lawless Mormon may look on in horror as his treasure melts away in the fingers of officialism, but can hardly help himself for resistance is treason and treason is death."

"The Mormons have religious notions differing from those of the other Christian sects, and the Utah Church of Jesus Christ is not an institution that we wish to uphold, but the present interference with the affairs of these people is none the less an outrageous attack on liberty, and the spoil that comes of it is a fat morsel to despotism that is already too well fed. Let Methodists, Presbyterians and other sectarians beware. It is within the province of government to despoil one sect, it is equally within its province to despoil another, and majorities are fickle. The Gentile Christians may find themselves in a minority some dark morning after a revolutionary storm has swept over this country. And how will they enjoy their turn in the confiscation mill?"

"We would not be understood as denying the right of one sect of Christians to pray in their sect of Christians out of house and home, but we say, when government, as in the Utah affair, takes up the matter and makes us a party to it, and uses the machinery of law, and the power of the army to help one kind of Christians despoil another kind in this country, it is none other than a direct attack on the peculiar Christian spirit to denounce the government and protest against such outrageous abuse of its powers."

"In Jerusalem, as we noted last week, Mohammedan soldiers prevent sectarian Christians from killing and plundering each other. The soldiers are impartial in their contempt for the sects. Congress in the same position, far from being impartial, lends itself to the schemes of the more powerful sectarians to destroy the weaker ones, making the victims pay the cost of their own destruction. The soldiers should send missionaries to teach our government the propriety of confining itself to the simple duty of maintaining peace between the Christian sects in Utah."

THE EUROPEAN SITUATION.

We hope it is more because of a realization of the frightful loss of life, property and stability which many of the European nations would undergo than any considerations of policy and present gain that is causing them to use every effort within their control to put off and if possible avert the struggle which is now impending. Such a contest as now looms up beyond the Atlantic means a repetition in great number and on a larger scale of the struggle of the nations at Leipzig. With such a present combination as Germany and Austria on one side and Russia and France on the other, the former taking in Italy and the latter Turkey, a general European war such as the world has never seen would surely be the result of the first hostile

shot. The coal people of Cache Valley say and try to burn in a large part a wretched article, and not enough of it is furnished, and the price is raised to twenty-five to fifty per cent higher than a better article shipped by the same road to this city sells for. What object is to be gained by the present policy of the coal department of the Union Pacific, is not apparent to a casual observer.

DEATH OF ST. BOUNDS.

St. BOUNDS died at an honest and upright man when he died on Saturday morning at his home on the corner of 10th and Main streets. He passed from this stage of existence at his home on the evening of the 17th, of pneumonia, after an illness of ten days. He was born in Benning, Franklin County, Vermont, June 2, 1833. The founder of the first Latter-day Saint settlement in Cache Valley, he came to this place in 1852, and was one of the first to settle here. He was a member of the first church organized in this place, and was a prominent member of the same. He was a man of great energy and business ability, and was a successful merchant and farmer. He was a man of great energy and business ability, and was a successful merchant and farmer. He was a man of great energy and business ability, and was a successful merchant and farmer.

THE SEASON OF GOOD CHEER.

To a extent which has probably not been equalled for several years, a spirit of sociability is prevailing throughout our Territory. Cause that, for a long period, have tended to suppress feelings of joyousness among the people, even at seasons of the year when it is eminently proper that such feelings should be permitted to express a degree of away over the minds and actions of individuals, seem to be abating in their effects. Doubtless the change is produced by the operation of hope.

As the season of good cheer approaches, the people seem to be lifting, and reasons for believing that the genius of liberty has not yet departed these mountain valleys, grow stronger. Consequently a sentiment of good cheer, diting to the coming season of festivity, is being developed and displayed. As the adversary approaches which signifies the promulgation of the heavenly message, "Peace on earth, good will to men," it is proper that sentiments of cheerfulness and friendliness should be encouraged.

The people of our fair Territory can indulge in joyous and thankful during the present holiday time. The winter has been mild, and the hardships of the poor have in consequence been greatly modified. Times are fairly prosperous and it cannot be said that the people are in any way oppressed. The winter has been mild, and the hardships of the poor have in consequence been greatly modified. Times are fairly prosperous and it cannot be said that the people are in any way oppressed.

DUE CREDIT.

It is more than justice to say that the management of the Union Pacific system is entitled to credit, and to the appreciative acknowledgments of the people of Cache Valley, for having placed upon the southern portion of the Utah & Northern local train, run by a schedule adapted to the needs of the section mentioned. A passenger may now leave any point in Cache Valley in the morning, visit Ogden, and return home on the same day. But the people living on the line of the Utah & Northern are in urgent need of relief in another direction. They want coal. Dirt they have, or can easily get, in abundance, of an exceptionally quality. They want something that will burn, and keep their houses warm. It is a cold country at this season of the year, and throughout that section there exists an urgent need for fuel.

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TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

The War Cloud Still Hovers Over Both Austria and Russia.

The Pittsburg & Lake Erie Railway Crookedness Assumes Large Proportions.

Two Chinese Murderers are to be Hanged at Victoria, British Columbia.

Business Entirely Suspended During Governor Badwell's Funeral at Augusta, Maine.

President Cleveland Makes Several Important Nominations of Federal Officers.

Senator Call Reads the Utah Memorial to Get it in the "Record."

By Telegram to the News.

The War News.

Heads, Dec. 20.—Several army officers on footbridge near the city of Vienna, Austria, were ordered to return to their barracks immediately. A number of officers in the reserve corps have been ordered to settle their affairs so as to be ready to join their regiments.

French Press.

Paris, Dec. 20.—The first issue of the "L'Espresso" newspaper in France will appear shortly, amounting to 70,000,000 francs.

The Ban of Matrimony was today published by the Austrian government, and the ban of matrimony was today published by the Austrian government, and the ban of matrimony was today published by the Austrian government.

AN EMPEROR AS A CONSTABLE.

Louis Napoleon said to have acted as a London Policeman.

The Courier Des Etats-Unis in a recent issue reprints an article taken from a Paris journal, the Reme des deux mondes, entitled, Les Constables Volontaires de Londres, which reads as follows:

The Trafalgar Square troubles, and the large number of volunteer constables that the London police had to employ, obliged to enroll, recalls a historical fact, frequently alleged and as frequently denied. It occurred in the time of Louis Napoleon Bonaparte, when he was in London when he really exercised the function of constable.

Twenty years later the republic appeared a little more to the rebellion, and the London police had to employ a large number of volunteer constables, and the London police had to employ a large number of volunteer constables.

The situation had, at that epoch, something analogous to that of today. The same employ of London entitled themselves then, "Chivaliers." Similar to these at the present time, they invoked the rights to transform Trafalgar Square "en club" and to receive the aid of the constables in their efforts.

Lord Malmesbury recounts that every one, at that period, was armed to the teeth, and the police had to employ a large number of volunteer constables, and the London police had to employ a large number of volunteer constables.

They Must Hang.

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 20.—It is stated that the government will not order the execution of the two Chinese men, Lee Sam and Ah Fatt, who have been condemned to be hanged at Victoria, B. C., for the murder of a Chinese woman.

Governor Badwell's Funeral.

Augusta, Me., Dec. 20.—Business was today suspended this morning, and the flags were at half mast. Thousands of visitors are in the city to attend the funeral of the late Governor Badwell. At 9 a. m. the people were gathered to the city hall, where the funeral services were held.

Most Fight it Out.

New York, Dec. 20.—Richard K. Fox this morning sent the following message:

"To Mr. W. A. Atkinson, referee in the Kilrain-Smith fight, London.—The fight between the two Chinese men, Lee Sam and Ah Fatt, who have been condemned to be hanged at Victoria, B. C., for the murder of a Chinese woman, is a case of self-defense, and the two men should be allowed to fight it out."

An Old Salt Laker's Appointment.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The President has sent the following nominations to the Senate: Stephen A. De Wolfe to be associate justice of the District of Columbia; Martin V. Montgomery, Michigan, to be associate justice of the supreme court of Montana; E. Henry Lombard, of New York, additional circuit judge for the second judicial circuit; E. J. McLaughlin, of Ohio, justice of the supreme court, District of Columbia; William J. Allen, of Illinois, justice of the supreme court, District of Columbia.

Holiday Adjournment.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The Senate adjourned today, and the House adjourned tomorrow.

The Contest.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The House committee on elections met this morning and adjourned until tomorrow.

FIFTIETH CONGRESS.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Messages from the President were presented in reference to an invitation to this government to appoint delegates to the International Convention of Labor, to be held at Barcelona, Spain, in April, 1888, and in reference to an invitation from Her Britannic Majesty to this government to participate in the International Exposition to be held in Melbourne in 1888.

The Utah Memorial.

The resolution offered by Call yesterday to print in the Congressional Record the memorial of the constitutional convention of Utah, was called up by that gentleman, who asked that it be now adopted.

It was then referred to the committee on territories, which now has jurisdiction of it.

Call argued that it was due to a community of 200,000 people to have its views fairly presented. He said that he had seen that 9 per cent of these people were guilty of the practices on which the memorial was based. He would now read the memorial so as to show that there was nothing objectionable in it. He thereupon read the memorial.

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