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THE PASSING OF PONDERLY.

There will have been particularly interested in the proceedings of the recent general assembly of the Knights of Labor, and those who have that degree of patience that enables them to read everything the newspapers have to say, will have noticed, and doubtless commented upon, the removal of Mr. Terence V. Powderly as head of the great labor organization mentioned, and the very small excitement this seemingly important change has caused. There have been times when Powderly's personality was of much more importance to the order than was the strength of the order itself; when not only organizations and communities, but also states and a nation were, hung upon his individual dictate and pronunciamento with all the breathlessness and tenseness that the influence of one man, who stands at the head of nearly a million men, all voters, and who is popularly supposed to control them by the slightest crack of his finger, could in emergencies excite. He was respected, yet honored; and if he seemed sometimes offensively assertive of his importantship, it is but due to say that he repelled any attempt at flattery and resisted every assault upon his personal integrity. We are not aware that he was ever charged with accepting a bribe, or that any of his followers had cause to lose faith in his honor; there was no apparent diminution in his influence with his followers, nor any impairment of the faculties and abilities of the possession of which, under the severest strain and at the most trying crises, he had given such signal proof.

We must look elsewhere, therefore, for the cause of his downfall, for such it must now be deemed; for we do not have to look very far. Politics and political ambition have been his ruin, and the former has given the Knights of Labor organization a blow from which it will not readily recover. Powderly committed the monstrous error of endeavoring to foist himself and his order into the political arena, and to secure a controlling place and influence in political affairs. He thought he saw great opportunities in this line, and the phantasm warped his vision. Formerly moderate, wise, clear in mind and steadfast of purpose, he guided the great organization through many a rocky and perilous place that would have baffled a less firm and intelligent leader. But when the false light above mentioned broke in on him, he began to consider labor problems and their solution more from the standpoint of political expediency and popular justice than from his old ground of justice and right. Party methods and cares, from one side and the other, were too readily considered and tried by him; and to exactly the same degree that he began to traffic and trim and feel his way forward as a politician, he sacrificed his own influence and estranged sympathy and support from the object he should be directed. The Knights of Labor have declined materially in weight and importance during the last two or three years, and the cause is as we have stated it. His position required him to disregard the exactitudes of his trust, and he not only permitted but actually stimulated a forgetfulness of the fact that the Knights constituted a labor organization, not a party to make terms with or stimulate any political faction. The lesson is one that may well be heeded by leaders of men in any other organized capacity, and by the rank and file who follow those leaders. The attempt to deliver votes in blocks of five or any other wholesale quantity, by reason of a supposed control of men in the industrial, commercial, moral or religious world, invariably and properly results adversely to the cause who make it, the party that expects to receive and profit by it.

WITH THE EASTERN LAST NIGHT.

We should dislike to believe that any other cause than hard times is to be charged with the failure of the Central Union at their request and evening to fill the Assembly Representative church in this city. As everybody knows, we are a lover and the friend of the Union, whose labor is an organization, and is the instrumentality of no small value, efficacy and instrumentality in sufficiently extended in the work now moving. If it was the fault of the newspapers in not giving enough publicity to the event, the News can do part, apologize and promise to do better in future. If it was the fault of the public, through indifference to its efforts of the Union and through lack of the amount that their pleasure in the "divine art," we confess to a disappointment in and regret for the public. As stated in the select, however, we prefer to accept as the reason the prevailing hard money, and yet, at the price charged for admission, there is hardly a family in ordinary circumstances that can not spare the time to make every week to a less enjoyable and non-profitable history.

We have sometimes thought this community does not sufficiently appreciate the place it possesses in that little man Prof. Stephens, the manager of the Circle Dalin, and now of national repute, as a trainer and leader of chorusing in that magnificent organization, Prof. Daniels, to such about equals as Miss Winnie, Mesdames Evans, Cryer and Thomas, and to that admirably balanced and well-trained organization, the Choral Union. We mention here only those who in and to last night's concert, because to universal hard by it is instrumental performances not at all from amateur musicians to be placed in this connection, would like a schism. Salt Lake City owes a great debt to her musicians from early times until the present. They have given us a reputation as a musicianly city, one, too, that is critical yet appreciative, and that to the home of the musicians of native birth and of adoption. This reputation would lead one to expect a more enthusiastic than greeted "A Night with the Italian Masters" last evening.

AT LAST UP.

A correspondent at Bismarck, Montana, writes:

Editor Deseret News:

Please inform me through your valuable paper how the United States Government will deal publicly after the 4th of March, 1893.

Until the 4th of March, 1893, it will stand as it does now, except for such changes as may result from the death, resignation or disability of any of the present incumbents. No living man can tell how it will stand after that.

PROFESSOR TYNDALL.

With the death of Professor Tyndall, which has been announced to our dispatches, science loses one of her most ardent and accomplished disciples. He was born at Leighlin Bridge, Carlow, Ireland, August 21, 1820. Having left the national school where the foundation for his education was laid, he went to Germany and continued his studies at the university of Marburg, and afterwards to Berlin. On his return to England he was elected Fellow of the Royal Society in 1852 and the following year he was appointed professor of natural philosophy. In 1856 in company with Professor Huxley he visited Switzerland, chiefly for recreation, but this and following visits resulted in a thorough investigation of the structure and motion of the glaciers of the Alps. In 1859 he commenced his researches on radiant heat, and some years later his "Heat Considered as a Mode of Motion" was published, a work which, together with his previous publications, placed him in the front rank of physicists. At the death of Professor Forbes at Trinity House he succeeded him as superintendent of the Royal Institution. In the early part of 1890 he engaged in a political correspondence with Mr. W. Harcourt, and since that time, though constantly busy with scientific pursuits and always sure of a respectful hearing by reason of his high attainments, he has kept more or less retired from public view. Science owes much to him and his name will not soon be forgotten.

PATER HYACINTHE'S CHURCH.

Pater Hyacinthe's idea of forming a new religious society composed of both Catholics and Protestants, as mentioned in our dispatches, is not exactly a new one. It is but an effort to hold further on the foundation laid by the representative of the Evangelical Alliance. But his methods are peculiarly new, as the reformer "Heretic" generally displays a great deal of originality in his work. Over twenty years ago, Hyacinthe, then a Catholic quite prominent to regard non-Catholic religious as heretics, declared that the Jewish, Catholic and Protestant religious are the three great religions of the civilized world, a declaration which shocked in the minds of his superiors a conviction and a hatred was strengthened under the cover cloak of the conduct of the reformation. Religious conflict expansion is more pain that the renewed fitter in his advanced age is only remarkable by only not as it has not more have resulted in the slowly table project, and the evolution of which has, perhaps, been the great aim of his life.

Pater Hyacinthe has frequently appeared to claim playing the role of connecting link between the two great divisions of the Christian world. It has to deprecated papacy in was needed to do so. It had to be willing of those on account of. By leaving the necessity only after being strongly relieved from the Church of Rome, he at once proclaimed himself Catholic institution and acknowledged the authority of the Roman pontiff as supreme in spiritual affairs. He has not from time to time shown his sympathy with the Protestants, particularly in the United States and England, in joyful association with Dr. Dale and other eminent nonconformists, commiserating with the sufferings and speaking from their pulpits. That such a rather should seem to be attempt to form what may be termed an amalgamation church is not surprising. It would have been almost disappointing should such a personal desire have been where the world by a man who, considering the situation of two millions on one side of his entrance on another, is no.

On the subject of the reformer not much need to be said. So far as he aims at the breaking down of bigotry and religious intolerance, it is commendable. But if he holds that the dividing wall of the church that separates Rome from non-papacy is of God to be removed for the benefit of the Church, he is certainly in error, as many other reformers have been. The Church, being the habitation of the Almighty among the children, can not be built up to God by any man without Divine authority. Perhaps Pater Hyacinthe has his place and also his look is sufficiently to respectful. If, for he does not, will his organization a church for the National Society of Evangelical Union.

VAN ALEN DECLINES.

Those who favor the doctrine of rewarding the government as a business concern that should distribute its various offices among those who are best qualified for the service, will be gratified to learn that Mr. J. J. Van Alen has declined to serve as United States minister to Italy. It has taken him a long time to brace up his mind to the sacrifice, but having brought himself to it even the gentle persuasion of a personal appeal from his patron, the President, fails to move him.

Certain editors who have been engaged for several months in telling the public a great deal more about the gentleman than he cared to have known, or perhaps knew himself certainly himself, are much inclined to blow for marshaling to stay at home. For, having talked themselves out of breath in the vain effort to persuade the President of Van Alen's fitness, they had, at the latest advices, turned to each other in despair to act if "there yet remains anything that can be done to keep him at home."

The charges in Mr. Van Alen's case were, that the appointment had been purchased by him with a $50,000 contribution to the Democratic campaign fund, and that in addition to this disgrace hanging upon his record, he was utterly unqualified for the position. This is the substance of the matter on which Mr. Van Alen has been regaled through every newspaper he has encounered to pick up during the several months intervening between his appointment and intended departure. The $50,000 which he now all but confesses to have donated to the campaign, would not begin to pay for the choice space he has commanded in the newspapers. A half a million would be a modest charge for such an amount of advertising.

But that is a side issue. The alacrity of his appointment has been explained by the fact that Italy is just now in the first throes of a revolution. If the United States needs a particularly capable representative in any country, Italy would be from most urgent pressure constituent. And the idea, at such a time, of a person being there whose best recommendation is that he is a "man of fashion," has given some of the newspaper editors the nightmare.

Mr. Cleveland very nicely came forward in the case to say "this that as were not upon." That is natural. They selected quite as heavy discredit upon himself, who stood on one side of the transaction, as upon Mr. Van Alen, on the other side. Anyway, the avowal of the determined in the case will have quite as much weight with the public as the denial of countenance to any bargain by the candidate.

REMEDY FOR MR. BROWN.

Since the introduction into this part of the country of the Hole Hughes system, which it was intended to have operated in a crusade against railroad-traversing hands, the which engaged instead in the monstrous pastime of paying on mortgages, gardens, farms and other sites, those who were instrumental in bringing out and projecting the pestiferous and pernicious designs have been frequently the subject of remarks inspired by other feelings than those of gratitude, while many others have been made heavy upon their sensitive souls. But in spite of a family it is only the spurious goes on calculating his demerits and sinners, and promises to continue to do so.

The Rocky Mountain region is not the only section of the country that is made the subject of ravages by the inspired industry. In the South the cotton fields are compelled to pay a heavy tribute to the voracious appetite. As our table spot, the cotton and seed are taken out and carried off to spinners, some persons claiming that they have had to divide of cotton in the way to a single seed in it. Gathering Tom, pays cotton and a commercial convention has arrived at the conclusion that the time is far in the time when cotton seed will be economical. It is clear that it is manufactured to fly widely in the fan. He should wear in the Japan and should hide the Tom. The spectrum tells it was thought they had a phase. He they hail from Illinois or Indiana where it is said was the home for of Hughes' prominent over soon on the top of the mill. They talked about the gentleman's manners and habits and asked the people at Bismarck, all the while offering the most content speeds. They did not have long to discuss this entertainment, however, for they were soon gathered up and shown into bags, into which they were prepared for people. The Rocky Mountains were other up two bunches of random spinners. In several days the prevailing sun combined with some weeks entirely any of the kind to be found in the neighborhood.

It may be that the reformer has as much an appetite for the crusade as has the typical politician or office seeker for the emoluments. If it can be called such, or the Tom Hughes system is not likely to be put to any great use, even in the Lone Star state, where the whisky seems to be made available at were the Hughes system was only for the relief of cotton. Mr. Brown may be the last, remarking that the cotton seed so swelled with the smell of the box of they would stand to death, when he would be able to remove them anyway.

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