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UNITE, UNITE!

Our courage in the matter of establishing the University of Utah and the Agricultural College is screwed up to the sticking point. We have been, now are, and shall be, unquivocally and unconditionally for that consolidation. The importance of that object overtops every question of bantlingsport the attempt to permit both institutions to run separately on half-time or insufficient rations, leaving in the future the determination of which, seems to us to be trifling, unworthy, and unstatesmanlike.

If there is any member of either Legislative house who thinks the union and concentration of higher educational work inexpedient and impolitic, we haven't heard of him. Then why not vote for it? The issue has been decided affirmatively by nine-tenths of those who have given the matter consideration. The only question now needing an answer is as to where the united institution shall be located. We admit that that question is a grave one. But cannot the Legislature meet grave questions in a brave, commonsense manner? We hope so; and we expect that in this matter they will be brave enough to answer the first question decisively and the second conscientiously.

THE SILVER QUESTION.

Advices from Germany indicate that the emperor has lately taken a great deal of interest in the silver question. A commission has been appointed to look into the various points connected therewith, and in this action some have thought they were able to discern a ray of hope for the white metal.

The friends of silver in this country must not, however, be too sanguine in their expectations of permanent results from the labors of imperial commissions. If the financial salvation of this country depends on free exchange and bimetallism, the best thing for us to do is to go to work and secure the needed legislation and then let the other countries follow, as their interests may require. It is the much to expect that the crowned heads of Europe can feel very deeply interested in questions of this kind, which touch largely the conditions of the toiling masses. Kings and emperors draw their immense salaries whether the laborers earn a bit of bread or not. And, what is to them almost as important, the appropriations for the maintenance of the vast armies have to be paid even when many of the poorer classes are on the brink of starvation. Monarchs are too often apt to consider themselves as beings of an order different from the people, moving in a different sphere, with interests sometimes conflicting with those of their subjects. What can be expected of them, under the circumstances?

The case was well illustrated a few years ago when the labor question was under discussion in Germany. The Swiss government issued an invitation to the various countries to send delegates to Switzerland to discuss the problems of the day and adopt recommendations for the benefit of the working man. The idea was seized upon by William and he issued a similar invitation for a labor congress to be held in Berlin, at the same time notifying Switzerland that a withdrawal of the invitation to meet in that country would be gratefully remembered. This was done, and the congress met at Berlin. It was a splendid affair. The delegates were mostly selected with superfluous titles, who knew most to talking about labor and the needs of the working classes. But they spent several days in the imperial capital and consumed any amount of dainty food washed down with expensive wines. There were fêtes and parties and balls and teas, and that was about all that was accomplished to the interest of the laboring classes.

Those well informed do not expect that the silver commission will bring better results. In some quarters it is even asserted that it has been convened only for political purposes. The bimetallists and agitators must be appeased in some way, and an imperial commission is thought to be a convenient expedient for the purpose. The international idea may be a weighty element in questions of finance, but there is little to be hoped for on this side of the water until our country shall feel able to assert its independence of European couplings in such questions as it has successfully done in governmental and political.

THE INVESTIGATION.

The News gave information last week that Congress was about to begin an inquiry into the circumstances connected with Judge Jackson's order restraining the employes of the Northern Pacific Railway from striking, and that the investigation thus inaugurated was expected to bring the consideration of a general subject into the railway situation, with a possibility of lateral legislation as the result. The first official step in this direction has now been taken through the passage by the House of Representatives of a resolution providing for the inquiry referred to.

The method being adopted indicates that questions within arbitration to be left altogether in the courts to decide. The legality of a judge's act could have been raised in regular form before the judicial branch of the government, and yet it is not the purpose of the present movement. Whether or not the courts are acting within lawful limits, or whether or not existing statutes touching on the subject are constitutional, is not the issue of the day. The inferior organizations are not content with the situation and changing contract between employer and employe; they have had a great measure of the guidance and control in the affairs of states, and they feel that to arbitration capital will be able to exert an influence unfavorable to the cause of labor. In this situation they have determined to effect, if possible through legislation, a change in the present policy that will amount to almost a revolution in the relations between capital and labor. The railway situation is being but official the opportunity for inaugurating the movement, but the railway labor unions are not alone urging it—the effort is meeting the combined support of unions throughout the country.

What the outcome may be, or even the immediate prospect, it would be difficult to tell at this stage of affairs. One thing is certain, however, and that is that the labor organizations are not going to have a whipper-in following their militant plan. The question in their minds is practical—it may be overwhelming to the legislative halls. If the latter, the investigation started on Wednesday last will prove but a preliminary skirmish to the political battle that will be fought throughout the country generally. The movement now on foot reveals an unknown cloud in the sky. It seems "not bigger than a man's hand" now; but unless wise and patriotic counsels prevail with employers and with workingmen, as well as with political parties, the conditions are ripe for the raising of a terrific storm.

AN ELECTRIC AGE.

Time was when it was mostly poetic men that struggled for the development of new inventions to a point that they could be successfully adapted to the public use. Recent times have wrought a change in this respect, however, and now wealthy men engage, individually and collectively, in experiments with new ideas with a view to retaining them to practical illustration. One of the millionaires of this country who has a hobby of this class is John Jacob Astor, who is carrying on his plant at Rhinebeck, on the Hudson river. Mr. Astor's hobby is electricity or a cause of prize pulsion for watercraft, the believes the time is near at hand when the motive power on the great transatlantic lines will be the electric current. He thinks the day of steamships and steamboats is almost gone by, and that huge boilers and fiery furnaces will soon be a thing of the past on steaming vessels, as well as on the smaller craft which fly on lakes and rivers.

Mr. Astor has spent considerable money in working out his favorite theory, and has achieved a goodly measure of success, with a prospect of further triumphs in the future. He has had sails and operated the small boats, one carrying twenty-five persons and able to travel at twelve to thirteen miles per hour. Now he is having constructed a yacht ninety feet long. It is to be of steel, handsomely finished and elegantly equipped throughout, and it is to be propelled by electricity.

If Mr. Astor is successful in his new venture, as many scientific men believe he will be, and demonstrates that the element of steamness is not on his side of steam, his achievement will mark an era in ship-building. With electric boats on ocean, lake and river, electric locomotives and trains on railways, electric cabs on our streets and electric lights village and hamlet, the world ought to adopt the age of lightning.

CIGARETTES AND TOBACCO.

The idea of testing them has just now attracting the attention of the San Francisco board of education are cigarette smoking and cigarettes in the public schools. The issue is to be discussed and the other delegates by the school teachers meeting with a given program which the board has arranged.

On the cigarette topic, a source was made of six of the principal schools and gave the following percentage of cigarette smokers, the figures being based on the voluntary statements of the students: First school, 6 per cent; second, 18; third, 21; fourth, 24; fifth, 31; sixth, 35. The pupils gave a general average of 23 per cent of the total number of the schools. In order to reduce this percentage of smokers, the board has decided to present a document showing the bad effect of cigarette-smoking, this document is to be printed and distributed among the students, and teachers are expected to read it to their classes at least once each month for a year. In addition to this, anti-cigarette leagues are to be formed in the schools, and students are to be given to understand that they are expected to abstain from smoking for one year.

Regarding the particulars with which it is necessary to acquire the children in order to give them "some comprehension of the rights, duties and obligations of American citizenship," the board has decided that "the closing hour of the last Friday afternoon in every school month be set apart for the purpose of sending appropriate patriotic exercises in all the schools of the city and county of San Francisco." These exercises are to consist of: First, singing of the Star-Spangled Banner by the pupils; second, recitations of a patriotic character by such pupils as may be selected by the respective teachers; third, brief remarks by the teachers upon the principles and blessings of our government, biographical sketches of the heroes of our Revolution, or of living statesmen; fourth, salutation of the American flag by the pupils.

Such movements have highly commendable objects in view, and it is to be hoped that success will attend them. The necessity, however, of specially instituting them in addition to the usual school exercises in these lines indicates either that parents in that locality are derelict in a sacred duty to their children regarding these lessons or that the usual school program is deficient in an essential element, or both. Whatever this is the case throughout the country, the example of the San Francisco board of education is worthy of imitation. We have reason to believe, however, that Utah is not included in that category.

THE JOKES.

Anything pertinent enough to bring in the matter of humor, especially when the object of it happens to be the Mormons, may generally be safely counted as emanating from drones, the town of lesser, of "crowds" and of rolly-whirlers. One newspaper there in particular is so amusingly and uproariously funny whenever the word Utah, or Salt Lake, or Mormon, is mentioned, that the editor of New England is just sure to be convulsed at once, and the inhabitants of some, and the balance of the country stoutly fears itself thickly disturbed. This great comic is the Tribune—a rather experienced and simplicious business sheet, and yet for that very reason more humorously mirth-provoking than any young, vivacious sheet could be—probably as a grinning skeleton is more striking than a giggling clown. Specimens of Tribune wit have been given in these columns before, but it is necessary that they be imparted to more, since, lest their flavor and delicacy be wasted upon the wild-western and uncultured tools. The local community have perhaps recovered from the last prescription of this sort, and we now venture to deal out to them another. This is the most astounding bit yet (accident). We fear it will lead somebody to injunction, but labors of the Tribune sort must be encouraged even if an occasional reader has to laugh himself into an untimely grave. Here goes:

Mormons here are running around in the streets of Salt Lake City, but up in the present they are as peaceable as lambs and any percentage for the lives of Mormon men.

There, now! Isn't that smart enough to tickle a grave-digger into fits, and wrinkle the face of a wooden Indian with a hale of hilarity?

The following witticism is all the more enjoyable because it was torn from a scintillating nest in the columns of a religious paper, called the Christian Cynosure, and because it is uttered in such a well-meaned tone of mock solemnity:

Rev. G. W. Hill, of Provo, Utah, reports a unique organization of people at Springville, a village near Provo. Some time ago, it seems, the whole village left the Mormon Church in a body, and now about 600 of them have united with the Presbyterian church in Provo.

There are hard, obstinate, gloomy facts we know, and yet nobody in Utah could be so mean which such stories will and Johnson probably are displayed and passed around by thoughtful friends for amusement.

RESOURCES OF UTAH.

A very prosperity entitled "The Resources and Attractions of Utah" has just been issued from the press of the George Q. Cannon & Sons Co., this city. It is compiled by Mr. H. L. A. Culmer especially for the information of visitors to the Milwaukee Fair, who may be expected to visit Utah. Its contents are in a very great interest that everybody who has not yet perused it should do so at once. It is attractively designed, and written, profusely illustrated and full of valuable information in all points of material interest. It opens with a brief reference to the geographical position of Utah and its quantity and area. Then follow descriptions of its agriculture, mining, commerce and industries. Social, educational and educational are mentioned in a separate and substantial chapter, and the whole matter closes with descriptions of the various counties into which the Territory is divided. It is the very thing to be sent to friends all over the country and about to which it is desirable to impart reliable and comprehensive information concerning Utah and her resources.

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