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#### CONFUSED IDEAS.

Dr. C. N. Walter, a health officer of Ean Jose, Cal., visited Salt Lake recently, and, on his return home, favored the San Jose Mercury with his impressions of this City.

Among these "impressions" we find

"I was told that previous to three years ago, when the Mormons were at the head of the city government, there was practically little done to beautify the city. Three years ago the people elected a gentile mayor and a majority of the city council were Americans the two parties being designated as Mormon and American. As soon as the Americans took hold of the city improvements began. The city is well laid out everything radiating from the Temple which is in the center. The streets are wide and well shaded with poplar trees."

This shows what kind of "information" visitors are given by some of the defamers of Salt Lake. Previous to three years ago, "practically little" was done to beautify the City. Just imagine what has been done in the brief space of three years. Even the wide and well shaded streets must have been laid out during the last three years. But the Doctor pays his compliments

to the street department as follows:

"Now, a great deal has been said and much kicking raised because of our streets. Let me say right here that some of our very worst streets are boulevards compared with some of the thoroughfares of Sait Lake. Dozens of the streets in their best residence sections are not even graded."

This "impression" the doctor did not have on hearsay, but on his own observations. And yet our administration has performed miracles during the last three years!

The health department, too, receives the compliments of our late visitor. He

"The Health Department is composed, as I said before, of the Mayor, ex-officio chairman, and four physicians, a clerk, chemist and bacteriologist, inspector of provisions, sanitary inspector, quarantine inspector and plumbing inspector. Sait Lake has a population of 80,000 to 90,000—about double that of San Jose. We have three paid men, and until recently only two. Sait Lake City has ten paid men, and for real effective work San Jose's Board of Health has outdistanced them."

Three paid men in San Jose have outdistanced ten in Sait Lake! This, too, the Doctor saw with his own eyes. Is it not rather strange that the administration which is given all the improvements and health regulations? said, was the delightful condition of tter with the doc-Something is in tor's diagnosis. He is confused in his

But does not this demonstrate the absurdity of keeping up the strife here for which a certain class of anti-"Mormons"-and a small class at that -is responsible? Visitors come here. They hear conflicting stories and many of them leave with wrong impressions. Salt Lake is continually given a black name abroad. If the spirit of harmony were dominant in this City, visitors would return to their respective homes unanimous in their reports that there is no more desirable spot to live in than this. What would that mean to the City? Let the citizens wake up over the absurdity of maintaining strife and organs of strife.

"Mormon" enterprise, whether from a private or public point of view, does not suffer from any comparison that can be made. The entire State is a monument to that enterprise. And the foundations were not laid by builders who borrowed money and squandered half of it on themselves, either. It has been left to others, who build on the solid foundations already laid, to run communities into bottomless debt, add load upon load to the burdens of taxation, and drive homeseekers away. This is not "Mormon" enterprise.

### IN MANCHURIA.

According to reports Japanese papers are trying to create the impression that the United States is "interfering" in Manchurta, in behalf of the Chinese. The question has come up because an American consul in one of the cities on the eastern railroad did not ask the permission of Russia, or Japan, to exercise his consular functions, but recognized the sovereignty of China.

That is not "interfering" in Manchurian affairs. The sovereignty of China over Munchuria has been expressly rec ognized, and was affirmed by both Russia and Japan by the treaty of This country has no treaty with either Russia or Japan which makes any reference to consular service in Manchuria. We have such a treaty with China, and it would be an unfriendly act which China would have the right to resent, if we should ask permission of any other government for our consuls to exercise authority in Manchuria. But Japanese editors seem determined to keep the anti-American sentiment in Japan

Captain Hobson is again predicting war with Japan, and the continual nagging of the Japanese press almost justifies the warnings of the prophets When popular sentiment is thoroughly imbued with hostility, or prejudice, any unexpected untoward incident may precipitate a conflict, just as a little spark may cause a big flame. It may be true that Japan is financially exhausted. It may be true that the farther sighted, and deeper fathoming

Japanese are staggering under the fearful burden of a debt that would he small for a wealthy country, but that is beyond their resources. Japan may have acquired a position in the world which she cannot afford to sup-But those very facts would lead an ambitious nation to further adventures in order to repair her finan-

Japan, after her struggle with China, was compelled to abandon the territory for which that war was fought, beause she was not strong enough to fight Russia at that time. But no sooner was the treaty of peace signed than Japan commenced preparations to fight Russia for the coveted territory. After the war with Russia, Japan was nduced to eliminate from the treaty all demands for an indemnity. That is the reason why Japan is staggering under a load of debt today. Is it inconceivable that the Japanese are laying their plans for a war by which they may hope to receive that indemnity they were denied at Portsmouth, just as they prepared to take the territory from which they were excluded by Russia. No nation has a better prepared army; no navy is superior to hers, unit for unit, and none is comparable to it in training and experi-

We hope the predictions of Captain Hobson, and others, may prove without foundation in fact. The United States has no other desire than to maintain friendly relations with all the world. But the open door policy in Manchurla, and the territorial integrity of China, as agreed to in the treatles, must be maintained. Our consuls in lina will deal with the Chinese government, and no other. And this consistent course should cause no friction.

#### PECULIAR LOGIC.

And now the Governor is told that it s useless to make any organized effort in behalf of the cause of peace on earth, until there is no longer any transgression of laws. That is another sample of peculiar logic.

The American Peace society of which Hon. Robert Treat Paine is the president and Dr. Benjamin F. Trueblood secretary, has done excellent service although Massachusetts is not free from law-breaking. There are auxiliaries in Chicago, Minnesota; Kansas, New York, Ohio and California, and the promoters of these societies did not wait until the respective states were free from law-breaking.

The peace movement is rolling on, notwithstanding the influence of the military spirit that is in evidence, and there is no reason why Utah should net be in the front ranks of that movement. Through the thoughtful efforts of some prominent ladies of this City annual meetings in the interest of peace have been held and a great deal of good has been accomplished. But the peace cause is important enough to deserve the united efforts of the best men and women, and more than an annual meeting and an occasical international conference. The ideal will not be realized until the work becomes popular. The cause of peace deserves at least as much earnest devotion as the cause of temperance.

### LIMITS OF FREE SPEECH.

Miss Emma Goldman when interviewed in this city, said that she had never advocated the murder of kings or other rulers. But, she said, she believed credit for the beautifying of the City in resistance. She thought that people has made such a bad showing in street | should resist all the time. Anarchy, she living without any sort of government, without policemen or any other disagreeable thing. Every man, she said, would do the things that he felt like doing. Lack of government, she said, would not interfere with great public enterprises. Criminals would be sent to hospitals, there would be no prisons, and the topsy-turvy world would jog on quite merrily, said Miss Goldman, if anarchists were given their way.

> Now this program, like other impracticable theories, has some basis in fact or appearance; otherwise no sane person would continuously advocate it. What is the basis, in fact or fancy,

for the belief that the world would be better off if there were no law at all? In Bernard Shaw's play, The Doctor's Dilemma, the author has dramatized a rascally genius. The result has been that several intelligent and highly sensitive persons have defended the rascal on the ground that a genius may properly do things that it would be wrong for other people to do. This, as Mr. Shaw observes, is simply to say that the faculties and mind of a genius entitle him to be dishonest about money and selfish about women, for the same reaon that kingship in an African tribe entitles a man to kill whom he pleases on the

most triffing provocation. Mr. Shaw has himself posed as a sort of anarchist; but last week when he spoke at an anarchist meeting in London the faithful of that cult came to the conclusion that he was using the name and affecting some of the doctrines of their society merely in order o expose them.

Be that as it may, Mr. Shaw says ne knows no harder practical question than how much selfishness one ought to stand from a gifted person for the sake of his gifts or on the chance of his being right in the long run.

The senius, or superman, as Mr. Shaw terms him, must always horrify conventional people; for the real genius is niways doing things that entitle him to he crucified. But it happens that the gentus is always so near to the mass of mankind and so much like other people-the difference, in short, between him and the rest of us is so small-that it is difficult to make people believe that the gifted one is anybody in particular; Genius, in our day at least, is, as our London friend puts it, "ever one part

Mr. Shaw's conclusion is trenchant and admirable. He holds that when we turn from conduct to the expression of opinion-"from what the man of genius dares do, to what he dares advocate-it is necessary for the welfare of society that genius should be privileged to utter sedition, to biaspheme, to outrage good taste, to corrupt the youthful mind, and, generally, to scandalize its uncles. But as such license is accordable only on the assumption that men of genlus are saner, sounder,

genius and 99 parts Tory.'

than the uncles, it is idle to demand unlimited toleration of apparently outrageous conduct on the plea that the offender is a gentus."

This conclusion, somewhat radically stated, may be taken to mark the true limit as to the freedom to be accorded to anarchists or any one else. Freedom of speech is guaranteed, but not freedom to incite to murder or the overthrow of government. A person may not, under the guise of free speech, instigate assassination and riot. Such speech is an overt act of crime.

But a person who believes that human government is human oppression may advocate his theory, if he can find some method of advocacy that does not contemplate violence and wrong,

As workmen the sheep shearers are clippers.

To the race track fans, racing without betting would be as bricks without

John Morley raised to the peerage. Among the lords few will be his peer intellectually.

If the campaign orator were to think twice before he speaks, what a great thinker he would be.

When Standard Oil gets behind a big business enterprise it generally has pretty smooth sailing.

Herbert Asquith must be quite an

artist. He has constructed a brand new

cabinet out of the old one. Horsemen are to collect the mail at night. These are the kind of night rld-

ers that will be welcome. The High School cadets will boost Salt Lake if some one will boost the cadets to San Francisco.

Titet is said to be the roof of the world. Surely no country has kept the lid on so long and so closely.

For genuine big game, Chicago in June and Denver in July will be the greatest hunting grounds in the coun-

So the Federal building is to be enlarged. Why can't government buildings be made large enough in the first place?

Emma Goldman has come, has talked and has gone, yet the state government still lives and anarchy is not rampant or threatening.

Only when a candidate cannot get an instructed delegation does he favor an uninstructed one and a fair field

"Put yourself in my place," says Castro to Uncle Sam. Venezuela is entirely too small a place for Uncle Sam to put himself in.

How democratic the railroads are

After May 1 they will abolish the distinction between first and second class fares. The poor will be raised to the level of the rich. "They may kill me yet, but there will

be others to take my place," says Senator Jeff Davis of Arkansas. No one could take the Senator's place. He is sui generis.

In a statement issued by him, Prince de Sagan says that the love of himself and Madam Anna Gould for each other began the day after her divorce. How absolutely proper and platonic!

monster tiger, constructed of paper mache, located at the principal four corners of the city, will welcome the delegates to Denver when they come to the Democratic national convention July 7," says a dispatch, Considering Denver's location, would not a mountain lion have been more appro-

Mrs. B. B. Wells, who is in Chicago from London to advance woman suffrage, advises her American sisters to win the franchise by being disagree-It would be utterly impossible for American women to make such spectacles of themselves as the English suffragettes have. By the way, have the English suffragettes won the franchise by making themselves disagreeable and ridiculous?

The recent demise of the Duke of

Devonshire brings to mind his visit to America, as the "Marquis of Hartington" during the Civil war. The Marquis visited Washington and called on President Lincoln to pay his respects. He was introduced to the President "The Marquis of Hartington;" President Lincoln, who cared nothing for titles, looked up, extended his hand, remarked "How do you do, Mr. Partington?" This grew to be quite a jcke at the time as the sayings of the mythical "Ike Partington and his mother" were very common. The Marquis was given permission to visit the Union army which then had that of the Confederates facing It. After going through the Union army quarters till he saw all he wanted to see, he started off, on foot, to go to the Confederate army and had to be turned back by the guard. He was a very eccentric char-

### CRIMINALS AND LUNATICS.

San Francisco Chronicle.

If the criminal is insane, let him be committed to an asylum. If he is not asane, let him be brought to trial and irsane, let him be brought to trial and dealt with according to the law and the evidence. It is a travesty upon justice to submit the question of sanity or insanity to an ordinary jury upon the testimony of paid experts, as to the probable mental condition of a person committing a certain act under circumstances described in a "hypothetical question" which it may take fifteen minutes to read and which only a highly trained intellect can follow and comprehend. An insane person ought not to be tried for crime at all, and if a plea of insanity is raised in a criminal case, it should be passed upon by qualified authorities before any trial is held.

### "PAY-AS-YOU-ENTER" CARS.

Cleveland Plain Dealer. New York for a week has been ex-erimenting with "pay-as-you-enter" treet cars, and is well pleased. The perimenting with "pay-as-you-enter" street cars, and is well pleased. The innovation has received but little unfavorable criticism. The advantages appear to be much greater than the more or less imaginary drawbacks.

In the first place the stops are about

half as long as they are when ogress and ingress were through the same door. Passengers get on and other passengers get off at the same time. The conductor is not compelled to make his frequent fare hunting expe-ditions through the crowded aisles. He is a fixture on the rear platform, and takes tickets and gives transfers be-fore passengers are allowed to get passengers are allowed to get him. The exact change is sup-to be required, but this is a rule posed to be required, but his is a rule that will probably not be rigidly enforced. It is not likely that a man with no change smaller than a dollar or a dime will be compelled to walk. There is no reason for the difficulty brought about by the Chicago street railroad officials who have attempted tairoud officials who have attempted to bar newsboys from the "pay-as-you-enter" cars. The boys can go in at one door and out at the other without disturbing the working of the scheme and without jostling passengers as is now sometimes necessary. From the New York accounts it would appear New York accounts it would appear that the new car is the greatest ad-vance in traction transportation failities since the inauguration of electricity as the motive power

#### CARAVELS OF COLUMBUS.

Washington Herald. Washington Heraid.

Two bills have been introduced in Congress in the past week, both seeking an appropriation for the repair and preservation of the reproductions of the caravels in which Columbus sailed on his voyage resulting in the Ciscovery of America. These ships were presented to the United States by the government of Spain and are now slowly disintegrating in the washing the control of the caracteristic control now slowly disintegrating in the waters of the lagoon in Jackson Park, Chicago, the site of the Columbian Ex-Chicago, the site of the Columbian Exposition. It is eminently fitting that these reminders of the discovery of the Western Continent should be preserved, but it would be much more to the point if they should be brought to the Capital of the Nation to which they were presented. Located in the basin which forms one of the features of the great Potomac Park in course of construction, they would be a never of construction, they would be a never failing source of interest to the thous-ands of visitors to Washington, Chi-cago evidently has not the funds or does not care to preserve these relics. Therefore, Congress should, by all means, make the proposed appropriation and at the same time provide for having the caravels brought to Washington.

#### JUST FOR FUN.

There's The Rub.

"Well," said the optimistic boarder, "there's one thing about our boarding-house, you can eat as much as you like here." "Of course; same as ours," replied

the pessimistic one, "you can eat as much as you like, but there's never anything you could possibly like."—Philadelphia Press. The Cause of the Trouble.

Little Harvey—Mamma, has your tongue got feet?

Mamma—Of course not. What made you ask such a silly question?

Little Harvey—I heard papa say your tongue was running all day long, and I wondered how it could run without feet.—Chicago News.

A Woman's Hat. "Saw something neat and modest in

"Saw something heat and modest in a spring hat today."

"What was it like?"

"It's main feature consisted of 67,000 tips snipped from feather dusters, fes-toons of tin cans all around, and an elegant lace curtain effect at the back."

—Pittsburg Post,

Had Her Doubts. "My husband tells me everything he

"Do you believe him?"
"Certainly,"
"Well, I would hate to believe that
my husband does everything he tells
me,"—Nashville American.

## Being Cheerful.

"Is your husband having any luck at the race track?"
"Some luck," answered young Mrs. Torkins, "He hasn't caught cold nor had his pocket picked."—Echange.

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