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ASTOUNDING LIBERALITY.

The local spokesman for so-called American party methods makes a pathetic appeal to workingmen on the ground that the party officials raised the wages of the employes of the City shortly after their election. It must be in desperate straits when it falls back upon that old fake. But a drowning man will frantically grasp even a straw for support.

The public will remember that 25 cents were added to the daily wages of the common workingmen and 50 cents to those of the men with teams making respectively \$2.25 and \$4.50 a day. But it soon transpired that this raise was not intended for the benefit of the workingmen but for the socalled American party bosses. The pretty little scheme was, if we remember correctly, to assess the employee of the City ten per-cent of their wages for party purposes. If the public had potmitted that plan to be carried out, it would have resulted in the magnificent addition of two cents and a half to the wages of the common laborers and five cents to the daily pay of the men with teams, while twenty-two and a half cents and seventy-five cents of the respective wages would have found its way into the party funds and eventually into the hands of the manipulators of the party. The scheme, in other words, was to make all the taxpavers of the City pay part of the more or less legitimate-or illegitimate-expenses of the American party bosses, and to use the City employes as the party collectors. The various departments that employ labor were to be used as the straws through which the so-called American party bosses were to suck the tempting lemonade. Public opinion, however, was aroused and, if the assessment was discontinued and voluntary contributions substituted, this was no merit of the bosses

The wages of the laboring men are small enough, as the times now are, goodness knows. They earn every cent they get and more. But, when a party organ appeals to them because of the liberality of the party manipulators toward labor, this appeal must strike them as farcical in view of the fact that that liberality would, but for the interference of the opposition, have been represented by two and a half cents and five cents to the laborers and twenty-two and a half and forty-five cents to the party bosses. Which is an astounding and truly "American" liberality!

A STRENUOUS TIME.

rant to read between the lines does not exactly make for peaceable relations." The Times, for some reason or other. turned violently anti-"Mormon" at the time the so-called American party bosses in this City were in their glory, and promised to smash the Church to pleces for the gratification of their thirst for revenege, if money and brutality could do it. We noticed at that time some venomous articles against the Church in our Los Angeles contemporary. We know not what the foundations are for the most serious charges now made against the Times, but we do know that anti-"Mormon' newspapers in Utah are unscrupulous and mendacious, tricky and unreliable in everything.

THE GALVESTON PLAN.

Some of our Contemporaries are profuse in their praise of the Galveston plan of municipal government. That ity is managed by a mayor and four commissioners. This commission took hold of the city after the flood and it is said to have been remarkably successful in rebuilding the ruined por-

Houston is another city where the lan is said to have proved a great success. That city had a floating debt of \$400,000 and it was suffering from neglect, waste, and dishonesty. When the affairs were turned over to a commission a change occurred. In a few years the debt was wiped out, the streets were paved, schools were built, and other improvements made, and the tax-rate was nevertheless reduced. The Houston Post has this to say about the new plan:

The Houston system is no longer an experiment. It is a domonstrated suc-cess and is worth its weight in gold. It is true that opposition will be en-countered when an attempt is made to supplant the old plan with a sensible, moncy-saving, labor-saving, graftless system such as we have in Houston, but experience proves that opposition can not survive against common sense and economy.

not survive against common sense and economy. "The system is strong in the respect that a dollar's worth of material or labor is obtained for every dollar ex-pended; that no money is wasted on sinecures or needlessly expended; that ward polities, the mother of municipal corruption, is entirely eliminated. "The commission is composed of a mayor and four aldermen elected by all the people of the city. All other of-fices are filled by appointment, and each appointee is held to a strict per-formace of his duty. "The Houston system will redeem any city that adopts it from the curse of spoils, politics, graft, extravagance, bankruptey, and waste. It will save thousands of dollars to the taxpayers and guarantee good, efficient business programment.

broken. rnment We may grant all the merits claimed

for the Galveston plan of municipal government. But, is there any reason why an honest and efficient city council should not be able to manage the affairs of a city with as much success as a commission? On the other hand, is there any guarantee that dishonest commissioners would render more satisfactory services than a city council? What is in a name, anyhow? The Chicago Tribune well remarks: The experiment "has certain manifest advantages," but these "will count for little unless the voters, looking on them. selves as members of a business corporation, shall make a deliberate effort

to elect capable men." That is the point. It rests in the last instance with the citizens to elect capable men to manage their common interests, and if they will do so, the old plan is good enough.

THE BRITISH LION.

The total population of the British empire is now placed at 392.836.835.

ever did before, and on Monday said speaking of the \$\$4.814.04: "These were all chargeable against the CONTINGENT FUND, and there was in that fund at the time the Amer-ican party took the administration just \$3,803.49."

On Wednesday the apologist, commenting on Mr. Fernstrom's resolution demanding the proofs of this statement, confessed that it had gone into the

trap, and there it is now. The conclusion is evident that the Tribune knows absolutely nothing of the City's finances; that it relies entirely on its own misquotations and misrepresentations, and that its assertion of an inherited deficit to account for the present financial conaition is absolutely false. The City is being run on "nerve," and the socalled "American" campaign is going to be run on falsehood. That has now been abundantly proved. And there is, presumably, no necessity of prolonging the discussion at this time,

KOREA'S FUTILE APPEAL.

The appearance of Koreans at the Hague, asking the Peace congress to listen to a protest against the Japanese occupation of the Hermit kingdom will cost, it seems, the unfortunate ruler of that kingdom his worthless crown, perhaps his life. The probability is that the Japanese are taking advantage of the circumstance to still further tighten their grip upon the country. The Premier, the dispatches say, has has asked the Emperor to abdicate in favor of the Crown prince and proceed to Tokio to apologize. This can have no other meaning. Japan fought for Korea. It assumed

dictatorship after the war, with the promise that the country should be liberated as soon as the internal conditions were brought into proper shape. With the Emperor dirven from the throne and a Korean society, alleged to be patriotic, petitioning Marshal Ito to save the country fro the "grave consave the country from the "grave consequences of the Emperor's action against Japan," referring to the dis-patching of embassadors to the Hague, it is evident that the Japanese will not be at a loss for an excuse for permanent occupation.

Korea is undoubtedly doomed. Its further prospect is to become a province of Japan. The Emperor may count himself fortunate if he escapes a violent death. The world at large may not have any interest in the fate of the Korean dynasty, but it has some curiosity to learn whether the promises of an "open door" are to be redeemed or School for scandal-any sorosis.

In time of peace-well, just enjoy it.

The block system does not justify a railroad in blocking the street.

alty circles? Will the prosecution succeed in bot-

ling Glass up? "I can't afford cocktails," says John

D. Rockefeller. Then try lemonades. There is said to be more billing at Coos Bay than at any other place in Oregon.

is selfish government, and not popular. Is that great gathering of Elks in

Philadelphia nothing more than a nature fake?

spectacular performance.

-these being the colors most success-fully used. Since the discovery that the flowers are dyed there is a great outery among forbulurists, who pro-nounce the process an outrageous fraud-on nature, both inartistic and vulgar. This does not prevent the demand for the dyed flowers from spreading.

DOCTOR ING THE TREES.

Carried

a Season

Not Only

Gets Old

Over

Paris Cosmos. Sr. Simon, owner of an estate at Al-laire, Morbihan, France, having proved that the death of numerous apple trees was the result of an affection of the rootlets, rendering them unable to draw from the ground the elements necessary for the life of the tree, conceived the idea of artificial nutrition by inject-ing directly into the trunk-a liquid that might replace the sap. The results were very satisfactory and other trees and even cabbages, caulifowers and pota-toes have been similarly treated. Paris Cosmos.



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The value for .	ummer union suits in all cuts 50c \$1.00 value 65c a lace hose, regular 35c value 25c

The Los Angeles Times is having a strenuous time of it. It is being accused of all kinds of misdeeds. The Los Angeles Express claims that it is "paid to scandalize," The Express said in parts

"Morning after morning, this 'kept' journal fills its 'direct whe'-synonym for 'fake'-column with insensate rav-ings against Heney and Spreckels, en-deavoring by thetics worthy of a gut-ter-snipe to embarrass the prosecution and shield the rich rascals who have money-sack before the eyes of avaricious politicians.

The Los Angeles Examiner on th 13th of this month alleged that the Times was "deceiving both readers and advertisers." the latter by claiming "bogus circulation." Says the Exami-Der.

"Ever since the prosecution of the San Francisco bribe-givers began, thou-sands of copies of the Times have been sent daily to the Bay City in an effort to help the boodlers and hamper District

to help the boodlers and hamper District Attorney Langdon and his assistants. These papers are paid for by Pat Cal-houn, who has been indicted for the bribery of the Mayor and Supervisors. They go to people who throw the papers into the waste basket. "Similarly, thousands of copies of the Cluzens' Alliance and other organiza-tions of a similar character and are used in different portions of the coun-try to foment provide between em-ployers and employes in order to ald in reducing the wastes of workinen and workingwomen."

And now comes Collier's Weekly and in its issue of July 13 takes the Times to task for faking headlines. The Weekly says:

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and the total area is 11,433,283 square This estimate of population miles. is supposed to be more correct than the higher figures that have been

published. The population of the British empires is about three times that of Russia and four times that of the United States but it is not quite equal to the population of China, if the estimates of the Chinese government are reliable.

conle of Canada, Australia and New

various parts of the outlying depen-

CAUGHT IN THE TRAP.

The daily faisifier has been nicely

dencies.

the world.

A wonderful empire is the

The British population is composed tailors to make a man, but in San of a variety of races. In India we find Francisco it only takes one Taylor to 294,317,000 inhabitants, but the Britmake a mayor . ish-born population is only 100,000,

and the entire foreign population less The Emperor of Korea has been than 650,000. Thus it appears that asked by his premier to abdicate. What a modest request for a subject to make the vast majority is made up of natives. In British Africa the populaof his sovereign! tion is 34,000,000, but it is mostly

The Newfoundland fishing troublack, and much of the white popuble, like the poor, is always with us. lation is not over-friendly to the British. The strange races of Asia and It affords a splendid chance for con-Africa make up some 330,000,000 of structive statesmanship. the grand total of 393,000,000. And

The war talk has almost entirely actually the ruling force is found in ceased. Of course when there the 43,000,000 people ascribed to the nothing else to talk about it will be United Kingdom, the closely related revived as a serial. Zealand, and the few scattered in

From out the haze and the maze of the Haywood trial one fact stands out bold and indisputable-it is that British colossus among the powers of some one has lied.

> Mark Twain couldn't wait until he arrived to deliver his message to the American people. He had to send it by wireless.

caught. For some time it was in the habit of telling its readers that the pres-The President has sent a copy of his works, in nine volumes, to the University of Berlin. The learned professors will find them good reading and presenting a picture of Western America scarcely to be found elsewhere.

It took just ten minutes to secure a jury to try Karl Hau for murder. And no doubt this German jury is as good as any that would be had in America were he to be tried here. Criminal trials in our country are in large measures a farce and may become hiss and a byword.

PAINTING THE LILY.

ferred to the page in the official report, and we put quotation marks to call attention to the terms used. By ref-erence to the report, it would have been easily ascertained that the \$\$, \$i4.04 did not represent a deficit at all, and that the sum was in no way con-nected with the contingent fund. If the Tribune had taken the trouble of opening the record at the page pointed out to it, it might have discovered that the \$\$i\$, \$i4.04, which we supposed that the \$\$i\$, \$i54.04, which we supposed that the sheet referred to as "unpaid ac-counts" was the total of various sums at that time due to the City, But, notwithstanding the warning signs, the apologist for graft went into the trap more innocently than any for New York Sun,