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AN EXCELLENT SUGGESTION.

"16 Madison Street, Ithaca, N. Y.,
July 2, 1904.

"President Joseph F. Smith:

"Dear Uncle—I have just learned
from the 'News' that you are going to
erect a monument to the memory of
your father and the Prophet Joseph. I
have heard nothing concerning the way
in which this monument is to be paid
for, but I suggest that every individ-
ual, whether man, woman or child, that
believes in the divinity of the mission
of these two great men, be given an
opportunity to contribute something to
the funds that will be required. That
monument is most valuable in which
people are most interested, and if all
the people contribute something they
will be more interested than they can
be otherwise. I do not wish to see the
funds ground out of the people, nor all
of the necessary money, raised by con-
tributions. In fact, I would prefer to
see a limit fixed for the largest allow-
able contribution from one person, but
I am anxious to see every one given a
chance to contribute something."I shall never forget with what pride
and pleasure I contributed five cents
toward furnishing the Mount Temple.
If every soul that believes in the divi-
nity of these men would give something
to assist in erecting this monument,
and a careful record should be kept of
the number of persons who made con-
tributions, you would have one of the
greatest monuments in the world. For
it is certainly the interest in the mon-
ument that makes it of value. A cer-
tificate containing the name of the
donor might be given to each contribu-
tor."Very affectionately yours,
"RICHARD E. LYMAN."The writer of the foregoing letter is a
son of President Francis M. Lyman, is
now completing his collegiate course in
civil engineering, and is well known
and highly esteemed in Utah. His sug-
gestion we regard as opportune and
worthy of general consideration. No
movement of a material character has
so taken hold of the good feelings of
the Latter-day Saints in recent times,
as that to build a monument to the
memory of the Prophet and Patriarch
of this dispensation, who were martyred
for the word of the Lord, and the
testimony of Jesus Christ. Not but
that they will ever live in the hearts
of the Saints, and that their works
have raised a monument before the
heavens and the earth that will
last through the eternal ages. Yet it is
fitting that, among the statues built by
men in honor of the world's great ones,
such a memorial as that now contem-
plated should be erected, as an indica-
tion of our appreciation of the noble
character and splendid achievements of
the brothers, who lived and loved to-
gether through the troublous years of
the founding of the latter-day dispensa-
tion, and who in a martyr's death
were not divided.We hope the committee having this
matter in hand will soon find it con-
venient to formulate measures by
which all the followers of Joseph and
Hyrum Smith, will be afforded an op-
portunity to contribute towards the
building of the monument to their
memory, and that the work will be as
worthy as material elements and hu-
man skill can make it, of the men who
were chosen of God, and of the cause
they represented. We are sure that
when the call shall come there will be
a cheerful and general response through-
out every stake, and ward and branch
of the Church in all the world.

A TIME OF WARNING.

Although the year is barely half gone
it has a record for disasters on land
and sea, which is almost appalling. Among
the calamities that have commanded
world-wide attention are the fire
theater fire, on the eve of the new year,
where nearly six hundred persons lost
their lives; the Baltimore fire, where
damage to the extent of one hundred
and twenty-five millions of dollars was
done; the recent burning of the excu-
sion steamer General Slocum, and the
sinking of the steamer Norge, with
about seven hundred passengers; sev-
eral railroad wrecks in which scores
of passengers have been killed and
injured; and the fire at Tor-
onto, Canada, causing the de-
struction of several million dollars'
worth of property. To these must be
added the almost numberless minor ac-
cidents which are of daily record. Pro-
phetic light is not needed, to perceive
that we are living in a time of "testi-
mony" that should appeal to all but
those who are morally and spiritually
dead.

THROUGH CHINESE GOGGLES

It is a curious fact that the truth
of descriptions of peoples and countries
depends mostly on the point of view
from which the described objects are
seen by those who undertake to en-
lighten their fellowmen. If they are
seen through a reversed telescope, they
will appear small and insignificant, and
far off. If they are seen through a
colored glass, they will appear in what-
ever shade that happens to be. Even
the camera can distort reproductions
of objects most fearfully.Peoples among whom Christian mis-
sionaries are "laboring" are very often
the victims of distorted and discolored
descriptions, for the reason that a sen-
sational story is found to be a potent
"sesame" to the purse of benevolent
people with little power of discernment.
Pagan customs and pagan morals are
held up to view in a most ridiculous
form, to excite missionary zeal. The
"Mormons" have very often been car-
icatured for the satisfaction of the crav-
ings of moral weaklings for something
sensational, something stimulating.A remarkable instance of this kind
of description is found in a book re-
cently published by the Appletons, and
entitled, "As a Chinaman Saw Us." It
purports to be letters written by a
Chinaman to his relatives at home con-
cerning America and Americans.Speaking of our fashions, for instance,
this critic says:"At the present time tablets or plates
of fashion insist upon an outline which
shows the form completely, the anti-
podes of a Chinese woman; this is in-
tensified by some of the women who,
when in the street, grasp the skirt and
in an ingenious way wrap it about so
that the outline of the American divi-
nity is sufficiently well defined to startle
one."... A later outline was given
to wear a camel-like hump at the base
of the vertebral column, which was
called the bustle—a contrivance calcu-
lated to unnerve the wearer, not to
speak of the looker-on.At one time the hump went all around;
later appeared only behind, like an ex-
cessiveness on a bilbores. At the present
time the designer has drawn his pic-
ture showing it as a pendant bag from
the shirtwaist, like the pouch of the
bird pelican. A few years ago the de-
signer, in a delirium, placed the humps
on the tops of the sleeves, then snatched
them away and tipped them upside down."The American doctor comes in for
his share of the fun. The alleged
Chinaman first tells a story of a sur-
geon who operated upon a man and
removed a "cyst," which he displayed
with pride to a doctor of another school.
"Why, man," said the latter, "that isn't
a cyst; it's the man's kidney." Then he
tells his friends in China of Christian
Science, faith cures, musical cures,
palmists and magnetic healers. "I
heard of one cure," he says, "in which
the guileless American is made to lie
in an open grave; this is called the 're-
turn to nature.' Again, patients are
cured by being buried in hot mud. I
have seen a salt-water cure. The plain
water cure has thousands of followers,
with hospitals where the patient is
bathed, soaked, filled, washed and
plunged in water and charged a high
amount."Another subject he deals with is our
education. We are proud of its univer-
sality, but this philosopher has come
to the conclusion that it is "cruel," and
that it is responsible for much unhap-
piness. His observation is:"The overeducation of the poor is a
heartless thing. In power, strength and
progress the American nation stands
first in the world, and all this may be
due to splendid educational facilities.
But this is not everything. There re-
sults strife, unhappiness, envy and a
crave for riches."The author concludes that the China-
men are happier than the Americans,
a proposition which would be hard to
contravert. The only value of the pub-
lication is that he has placed before us
the American picture as seen through
the slanting Oriental eyes. It may help
us to understand better the Chinese
mode of thinking, even if it does not
result in reform here.

FOR FIFTY DOLLARS.

Speaking of the sacredness of the
American home, and so on, a story has
recently circulated in the press, which
shows the great need of higher moral
ideals. A Chicago druggist—that is the
story—eloped with the wife of a friend
and went to Indianapolis. There the
guilty couple was arrested, and the
druggist came to settle matters. And
he did settle it. He agreed to sell his
wife for \$50, and made a bill of sale,
signed by the three interested parties.
The document reads as follows:"For and in consideration of the sum
of \$50 to me in hand paid by Frank
Monaco, I hereby agree to settle all
matters of differences growing out of
his elopement with my wife, Mary Spa-
zari, and in alienating her affections
from me, and I hereby release the said
Mary Spazari from all marital rights
and obligations toward me, and the
said Frank Monaco from all claims
for damages growing out of said affair
of elopement and he taking of said wife
from me. And I hereby acknowledge
receipt in full on account thereof, and
of all claims for damages. And the said
Mary Spazari hereby agrees that her
husband may file an action for divorce
from her, and she will pay all costs and
expenses, and that she will not vol-
untarily appear in court on the same
nor to put in any defense to the same."Where such transactions can be made
and given the widest publicity, as if
perfectly legitimate, it is discouraging
to labor for higher moral standards in
the home. The persons interested, to
judge from the names, are Italians, but
it is safe to say that they could not
openly have done in Italy what they
did here.

After all, Parker's silence was golden.

Harvest hands going to Kansas will
be right in the swim.When the coal fields peter out peat
will be used for fuel.How those Kansas floods will make
the sunflowers grow.Judge Parker is a great swimmer.
But is he in the swim?Mr. Bryan has succumbed to over-
work. The trouble was prolapsus in-
guine.

It was a fine exposition of the Iowa

idea that was given in the St. Louis
convention.The people who go out of the city for
the summer have to come back occa-
sionally to get a little rest.How soon a presidential aspirant who
is not nominated is numbered among
the unknown dead.As Virginia is the Mother of Presi-
dents, so West Virginia may become
the Mother of Vice Presidents.Sir Mortimer Durand should have
been at St. Louis. He would have seen
a real live nominating convention.Having been nominated in the even-
ing, followers of Parker and Davis will
be expected to do knight as well as
yeoman service.Like mother, like daughter. If the
former marries clandestinely why
should there be any surprise at the
latter doing the same thing?To judge from the way in which
Russia keeps making protests against
Japan's course, it is plain that she does
not accept the saying that "All is fair
in love and war."When the Japanese claim to have
captured some place or gained a vic-
tory, the Russians do not deny it until
they have positive and official informa-
tion that it is not so.What more logical than that if we ex-
clude the Chinese we should guarantee
the integrity of their empire, so that
they may have some place from which
they are not excluded?Judge Parker doesn't propose to say
a word until he is officially notified.
If his command of language is as great
as his command of his tongue, he will
say something when he does speak."One of the speakers at the Prohibi-
tion convention referred to Senator
Smoot as the man of many wives."
One of the advantages of being a Pro-
hibitionist is that you do not have to
be tied down to facts," says the New-
York World.To meet the serious decrease in Brit-
ish revenue (which is said to have
amounted to over £2,500,000 for the
quarter ended June 30), it is proposed to
levy a tax on cats of half a crown a
head. This, it is estimated, would pro-
duce £500,000 yearly. A wild cat finan-
cial scheme truly.The complaint is made that Massa-
chusetts visitors to the St. Louis Fair
cannot find a clean towel in their state
building for the adornment and furni-
shing of which they gave thousands of
dollars," says the Boston Transcript.
For Massachusetts this comes very near
washing her soiled linen in public.Light moves, we are told, 186,000 miles
during each second of time. And yet,
the great telescopes show stars so far
apart that light requires 30,000 years
to move from one to the other. The
distance between the Star Sirius and
the Star Vega is 203 trillion miles. What
a distance! What a Universe! And
yet, there are those who would have
us believe that it was all formed by
chance, for no special, intelligent pur-
pose! What foolishness!Holland and Denmark have con-
cluded a treaty of arbitration by which
they agree to submit to The Hague
court all differences, without exception,
which are not settled by the ordinary
channels of diplomacy. The only re-
servation is that covered by clause 16
of the convention, which excludes cases
where the vital interests or the
honor of either party are involved.
There is not much danger of a war be-
tween the two countries, but it is nev-
ertheless good news that they have
formally agreed to arbitrate. The
smaller countries can afford to present
a good example before the larger ones.According to Ruskin's judgment
"right dress" is that which is fit for the
station in life, and the work to be done
in it, and which is otherwise graceful,
becoming, lasting, healthful and easy.
"Right dress" is therefore strong, sim-
ple, radiantly clean, carefully put on,
carefully kept. "Beautiful dress" is
chiefly beautiful in color, in harmony
of parts, and in mode of putting on
and wearing. Ornamentation involving
design, such as embroidery, etc., pro-
duced solely by industry of hand, is
highly desirable. Obeying fashion,
however, according to the same author-
ity, is a great folly, and a greater
crime, but gradual changes in dress
properly accompany a healthful nat-
ional development.

THE OCEAN TRAGEDY.

Portland Oregonian.

"Rockdale Isle," dreaded of mariners,
may well be renamed the "Isle of Nor-
man's Woe," since this vessel, with its
living freight from the Northland, stove
up and went down in the waters
that beat and swirl around it. The
story is as old as navigation and as
cruel as the sea. Human vigilance can-
not with certainty prevent its recurrence.
The most skillful navigator may
unwisely become its sponsor through
a mistake in reckoning that is but hu-
man, or through stress of wind and
waves against which he cannot success-
fully contend. Strongly entrenched in
the regards of his fellow-men is the
shipmaster who stands by his vessel to
the last, refusing to avail himself of
such means of succor as are at hand
while a single human being under his
care is unprovided for. Brave Captain
Gundie, of the ill-fated emigrant ship
Norge, who with his crew went down
in the swirl where sank the ship! All
honors to him!

Kansas City Star.

From the time when the first account
of the wreck of the Danish steamer
Norge was made public until there was
news that the last of the survivors
had been saved, there was a distinct
feeling of anxiety in all the civilized
world. It was known wherever the
telegraph penetrated that somewhere
on the Atlantic ocean near the reef of
Rockall there were two small boats
with about 100 men and women and
children on board. From the sum of
the world's community of more than
two billion persons 100 were withdrawn
to become objects of more collective
sympathy than the vast number who
were left. And when they were recovered
and it was known that they had been
saved, there was a relief among the mil-
lions of the earth's inhabitants whoknew nothing of the individuals that
had been imperiled. The wreck of the
steamer which cost 700 lives was one of
the awful tragedies of the deep; but
in dramatic intensity the greatest ap-
peal to human interest was in the
world's feverish anxiety which cen-
tered about the unknown waters where
two frail boats were tossing, with their
helpless passengers.

San Francisco Chronicle.

The disaster brought some heroes to
the front. The captain of the vessel
stood by his post on the bridge and
went down with her. One of her offi-
cers personally helped six women and
a girl into a lifeboat before he would al-
low a man to get aboard. He then took
charge and got the boat away from
the side of the sinking ship; but finding
that it was overloaded, he jumped over-
board to take his chances to reach an-
other boat which was not so full, but
failed and was drowned. The horri-
fying experiences of those who escaped
from the ship were increased by the
desperate efforts of those who had been
cast into the sea to board the already
overloaded boats afloat, and they had to
be beaten off with the cars in self-de-
fense.

Chicago Record-Herald.

The number of lives lost by the sink-
ing of the steamer Norge was reported
at 750, over a thousand persons met
death as a result of the Slocum ac-
cident, and though the figures are much
smaller for the Wabash railroad wreck,
they are large enough to cause wide-
spread suffering. Each of the disasters
illustrates the risk that has come with
those inventions that have so enor-
mously facilitated travel; all are de-
plorable to the last degree, and no
doubt they will exert a considerable
influence for the season upon the plans
of many people who suffered no loss
from them.

Oakland Enquirer.

Another Atlantic steamship, which
was bringing 800 emigrants to Ameri-
ca, struck Isle of Rockall, a reef 200
miles off the west coast of Scotland,
June 28. The vessel quickly sank,
drowning over 700 persons. Of course,
this disaster, appalling as it was, will
not be exploited to any great extent
in European communities if the steam-
ship companies can prevent publicity.
They are having a cut-rate war, the
"poor and oppressed" of northern Eu-
rope take advantage of the situation
and crowd steerages of steamships to
the uttermost dimensions. It was one
of these ships that went down off Rock-
all Reef.These are great days at
Lagoon, great days and
great nights. The row-
ings out here are as cool
and delightful as they can
be. You know the resort
is close up to the moun-
tains, and the canyon
breezes come down at
night, making a pleasant
relief from the heat and
dust of the city.J. BERGERMAN,
Lessee.

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