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THE APPROACHING FOURTH.

It will be observed by a statement published elsewhere in this issue, that a number of citizens are making an effort to work up a Fourth of July celebration in this city. If we view the position correctly, if they anticipate that their labors will be crowned with large success, they will be considerably disappointed, for reasons that are apparent on the surface of things. It is unnecessary to dig deep in order to discover them.

Speaking of the great majority of the people of this city and Territory, there is no community in this Republic who entertain greater reverence for the nation and patriotic work accomplished by the fathers of the nation. They were men of spirit, of vision, inspired in a large degree for the purpose of founding a free government under which it is possible for all men to possess and enjoy their inalienable rights.

The vindications of their enemies to the contrary notwithstanding, a moral people to the genuine institutions of the country that the majority of Utah is not to be found, and when they were in possession of their natural rights under the true American system of government, none were more ready to enter into the celebration of the anniversary of the nation's birthday with spirit, thoroughness and enthusiasm. In bygone days such seasons of rejoicing were as completely and heartily recognized as any part of the Union.

Of late years a change has come over the face of affairs. Those same people have, to a large extent, been deprived of their rights, liberties and privileges, and have been to their immense disadvantage treated unequally under the law. These wrongs have been produced by the machinations of a knot of political conspirators, who are the enemies of those institutions for the establishment of which the fathers struggled, fought, bled and died. The wrongs under which the colonists groaned, and which caused them to revolt, were largely similar to those which of late years have been imposed upon the Latter-day Saints. We are assured that many of the people feel a deep degree of regret that the principles of human liberty established by the founders of the nation have been disregarded in the treatment they have received, and this sorrowful sentiment is a bar to their entering wholeheartedly into the celebration of the birthday of the nation, the full enjoyment of which is to them denied.

When the clouds roll by, and the genius of freedom sheds its genial influence over the vales of Utah, and when the power of the self-sufficient profane the sacred name of liberty by shouting it with his mouth while there is not a spark of it light in his heart, has departed, then shall the old-time celebration enthusiasm return. The mountain valleys will ring with the shout of rejoicing over the memory of the noble work performed by the men who were instrumental in establishing the best human government that ever existed in the whole history of man.

PUBLIC DEBTS.

Our northern neighbor Oregon has under consideration a project to make important and extensive public improvements to the extent of \$750,000, and as its fund on hand and prospectively for some time will not equal that figure, it is proposed to issue bonds for the amount payable at some future time, which obligations are to carry at a light rate of interest as will enable them to be floated. To meet the latest and provide against the day or days when the bonds would mature and become convertible into cash, a fund would have to be created at once and late this fund an amount deposited continuously proportioned to the whole amount of the principal and interest, and thus, while enjoying the benefits that would arise from the immediate expenditure of the money, the city would be curtailing many of the means of well-being now steadily being raised, and against this proposition we fancy every taxpayer would arise as one man and protest.

This is a matter in which our friends of the junction city alone are interested and it is for them to say what they will or will not do. It is thought to make the burden lighter by placing a large part of it on the coming generation, and if the measure should carry at all, this would seem to be eminently wise and proper, since those who follow would in the natural course of things enjoy to the fullest extent all the benefits acquired by reason of the indebtedness, with the added advantage of a wider and more profitable field from which to draw revenue; so that, if bonds or other obligations can be made so attractive to speculators or patriotic investors that they will readily cash for the return of four or five dollars on the hundred every five for thirty years, we can see no reason why the proposition to divide the burden should not be made the first and chief consideration.

As a rule, going in debt is a bad practice and leads to worse results; there are times, however, when it is necessary for an individual to become thus obligated to another, and occasions when it is imperative for nations, states or communities to do so; but the rule that is ever so much harder to get out than to get in has no exception. Take for example the case of the State of Virginia; during the war it got so overwhelmingly in debt that the ablest financiers could not raise a loan for a time, and the State was in a position to be sold for the sake of the State. To add to the dilemma, about one-third of the State was cut off and made a separate municipality under the name of West Virginia, leaving the entire burden to fall upon the fraction that was left. The debt question at once became the paramount issue in the politics of Virginia, and for several years the representatives of the State kept strong enough to hold the State, keep two members in the United States Senate, and have things pretty much their own way. Of late the numbers of this organization have dwindled so much that only through an alliance with the Republicans is it enabled to maintain an organization at all; the Democrats have all along favored the funding scheme, that is making the debt payable largely by future inhabitants, and giving those who hold securities a small rate of interest, which is certainly the more

honorable plan and altogether preferable by bondholders to repudiation. This is substantially what Oregon is talking of at this time.

The remaining remainder of Virginia repudiators (or "readjusters" as they like to be called) now in the United States Senate is a disreputable body, who now have a bill pending before that body as the outcome of the debt controversy in this State. This State debt was about \$400,000 in 6 per cent bonds. It was decided to put one-third of this debt on West Virginia and issue new 5 per cent bonds for the remainder. By a process of "scaling," the debt was figured down to about \$250,000. The coupon was to be good at par in payment of taxes, and it was this feature that led to the row. Paying taxes in coupons of course put no cash in the treasury, and all kinds of legislation was used to get rid of them, with varying success. Every time the country evasions found a scheme, the law was amended and principal changes of "readjustment," would champion their cause. "I believe," said a Richmond banker the other day, "that if any attempt is made to go behind the Riddlerberger measure the country will vote to repudiate it."

And thus it comes, if, for the sake of public policy, debts must be contracted, it would seem to be the part of wisdom to have a perfect understanding and fair arrangement before the money changes hands.

A MYSTERIOUS LEAP INTO ETERNITY.

DEATH has been busy for the past few months in mowing a heavy swath through the ranks of humanity both at home and abroad, and the newspapers fairly teem with blood-curdling accounts of horrible disasters all over the land. To such an extent is this the case, that 1897 bids fair to distance all recent years, fatal as they have been, in the record of its calamities.

One of the most singular casualties that has come under our notice recently, is reported in an eastern journal, and is in substance as follows: Just as the 12 o'clock express was leaving Boston on the 19th inst., for New York, a man in a disordered apparel rushed wildly through the gates and made a dash for the rear platform of the last car, which he barely succeeded in reaching as the train pulled out. He was a Frenchman about 40 years of age and was extremely agitated, so much so that, although he talked volubly, it was impossible to understand him. As he neared the platform he said in French to the effect that his daughter was aboard the train, desiring to elope. That was about all that he said, whereupon she would take the steamship for Havre.

When some time had elapsed and the conductor called for the fares, it transpired that the Frenchman had neither ticket nor money. Whereupon the conductor informed him that he had allowed him to come aboard the train on the plea of looking for his daughter, but that he had abused that privilege by traveling so far on the train without a ticket, and informed the Frenchman that when he got to Providence, N. H., he would have him arrested for stealing a ride. This occurred at Hyde Park. Just before arriving at Sharon station, the Frenchman was observed, by one of the passengers through the window, standing on the platform between the cars, where he appeared to be looking intently at the track of the next car, when, all at once, he plunged headlong beneath the wheels and disappeared.

This passenger was the sole witness of the rash act, and his statement was taken by the police. The most singular part of the whole transaction was the fact that although the Frenchman looked through the car window and pointed out to the conductor, as his daughter one of two young ladies sitting together on one of the forward seats, yet he made no effort to enter the car or communicate with her.

The body was found near Spaulding's bridge, a short distance below Canton Junction, and was given in charge of Undertaker Coffey. One arm was cut off and the whole top of the head was gone. He was five feet seven inches in height and had on black diagonal pantaloons and laced shoes, very much worn. His suspenders, which were red, were hanging, not having been put over his shoulders, his appearance showing a hurried dressing. He had on a white shirt with no collar, white stockings, and all his clothing was of good material. Near the body was found a black derby hat, on which there were crease three inches wide. It is believed that when he found that he would be arrested upon arrival at Providence, he deliberately committed suicide.

STRIKE OF BRICKLAYERS.

CHICAGO is becoming heartily tired of the bricklayers' strike in that city. The Mail thus describes some of its effects: "Throughout the city building is almost at a perfect standstill; great enterprises are either abandoned altogether or suspended for the season; foundations are being placed under cover as if there were no immediate hope of raising the superstructure; many hundred buildings are merely half finished, or left incomplete; the bricklayers are idle, the quarries are silent, the lumber market is stagnant for want of trading, and labor lags around the street corners."

The above is taken from a double-length editorial in which an earnest and even peremptory appeal is made to have the strike ended by arbitration. The article nominates as members of the board of arbitration, Hon. John A. Roche, mayor of Chicago, a man whose interests and sympathies, the Mail says, are equally divided between the employing and the employed classes; Hon. Wm. F. Rend, whom that paper says is one of the largest and most successful employers of men on the continent, who is everywhere recognized for his good judgment in dealing with labor difficulties, and Hon. Jos. Medill, editor of the Chicago Tribune, who is also an employer, and as the Mail remarks, understands intelligently the numerous grounds for complaint on both sides of the dividing line of capital and labor. All these have risen from the ranks of labor, and the Mail is confident that, in half a day, they could settle the difficulty.

The strike is a great disaster to Chicago as a city, as was seen in the lines of the idle bricklayers, and it ought to be ended at once. Why arbitration is not at least attempted is not clear, unless it be on account of what an exchange calls "the foolish, tyrannical, criminal disregard for the welfare of the city which pervades the ranks of the builders and their workmen."

In order to render lucrative the growing of fruit and summer vegetables, the producers of these crops should organize themselves into a business association, and then they could be marketed thoroughly. The kind of merchandise they put upon the market is so perishable that less than attends the handling of it unless proper arrangements are made to reach the consumers with it, without delay; whereas, if this can be accomplished, greater quantities of

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It can be sold, and much better prices can be obtained, than under the present conditions. Hotel and restaurant proprietors, and consumers generally, are in a similar state of uncertainty in regard to procuring supplies, and unquestionably would pay more and pay better prices if facilities were established which would enable them to get what they want while it is fresh, and at such times as they might require it.

California fruit growers have evolved from disastrous experience in this regard a thorough system of organization. The bulk of the export fruit of the State is handled by the California Fruit Union, which finds a market for it. Last year a Chicago firm made the consignees of all fruit shipments made by this organization, but this year it had to be transferred to a syndicate of English capitalists for one million five hundred thousand dollars. It is also known that the directors of the banks of London, Mexico and South America are now establishing a system of branch banks throughout this republic. English financiers are looking for a place here and consolidated debt bonds have taken an upward spurt in this market.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS

Robberies and Brigands Rampant in Texas.

THE PRESIDENT'S REGULAR OUT.

Still Getting Bodies Out of the Opera Comique Kulas.

ROUVIER MAKES A START FOR A FRENCH CABINET.

SAD AND TERRIBLE EFFECTS OF THE NEW YORK FIRE, ETC.

By Telegram to the News.

Mexican Financial Scheme.

City of Mexico, May 27.—A report was current in financial circles yesterday that the contract for operating the mint in this city is to be transferred to a syndicate of English capitalists for one million five hundred thousand dollars. It is also known that the directors of the banks of London, Mexico and South America are now establishing a system of branch banks throughout this republic. English financiers are looking for a place here and consolidated debt bonds have taken an upward spurt in this market.

Expelled.

St. Petersburg, May 27.—Prof. Dyakine has been expelled from the University. He has been a contributor to the Russian liberal magazines. The police visited his residence twice, but failed to find anything that would incriminate the professor. His expulsion has been endorsed by the government.

Attended the Cemetery.

Rome, May 27.—Archbishop Williams, of Boston, and many Americans attended the papal consistory held yesterday. The Pope was in good health and voice.

Virginia's Debt Dismissed.

Richmond, Va., May 27.—An investigation was granted by Judge Bond, of the U. S. circuit court, in Baltimore, yesterday, restraining Commonwealth Attorney Witt from bringing suits for the redemption of Virginia bonds. The investigation was granted upon motion of Mr. Cooper, a citizen of England and a holder of bonds of the State.

A Scaling Proposition.

New York, May 27.—It is stated that the amount of Home and Texas Central mortgage bonds have refused to accept the proposition of C. F. Huntington to scale down the interest on the bonds, and will protect the interest on the bonds by their own account. Members of the committee for mortgage holders' conference, however, claim that the majority of all classes of bondholders have already agreed to the proposition.

The Undertakers.

Boston, May 27.—Delegates of the various social clubs and other organizations for social and intellectual purposes in connection with the Church all over the country, met here this morning. A national organization of undertakers was organized. The new organization is to be known as the National Undertakers' Association. The president is Rev. Edward Everett Hale.

Fish Exempt.

Washington, May 27.—Assistant Secretary Maynard has informed the collector of customs at New York that fresh fish when imported for immediate consumption are exempt from duty, no matter how they are packed, frozen, imported, but that if they are not immediately consumed, they are subject to duty.

The Big Fire.

New York, May 27.—The fire at the Hotel Stables was not under control at 4 o'clock this morning. The flames with their contents and the frames of two things were destroyed. The loss will not be much less than \$1,000,000.

GROWING GREATER.

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A Formal Complaint.

St. Louis, May 27.—The associated wholesale grocers of this city have entered a formal complaint against the Missouri Pacific for the inter-state commission.

The Suspected Robber.

Austin, Texas, May 27.—Joe Barbour, the suspected train robber, was apprehended on the fact that a piece of paper was found where the robbers divided their booty. Barbour's name, and he had four \$30 bills which had been stitched together. Among the plundered packages was one that had contained four \$30 bills. None of the five prisoners arrested have yet furnished bail.

Brigands Captured.

Brownsville, Texas, May 27.—A party of seven men, who had been raiding near the Rio Grande, were surprised by Sheriff Brister and posse on Wednesday and two captured. Carlos Ayala, the leader, mounted his horse and fled, but he was captured next morning and he and his party were ambushed and he again escaped into the chaparral. The same day a party of seven men, who had been raiding near the Rio Grande, were surprised by Sheriff Brister and posse on Wednesday and two captured. Carlos Ayala, the leader, mounted his horse and fled, but he was captured next morning and he and his party were ambushed and he again escaped into the chaparral.

The Strikers.

Brussels, May 27.—The striking colliers at the village of Hainaut have attacked the troops who were guarding the mines. The strikers were wounded. An attempt has been made to destroy the house of a non-striker with dynamite.

What It Costs to Go to Law.

London, May 27.—Lord Collyer Campbell has consented to be placed in bankruptcy in accordance with the decision of the bankruptcy court on the petition of the Duke of Marlborough. His liabilities are \$20,000, including the cost of his divorce suit.

The President's Outing.

Burlington, Vt., May 27.—President Cleveland and party passed through the city at 9:40 this morning. A stop-off for a few minutes was made. The President and Mrs. Cleveland were accompanied by the members of the car in company with Collector Smith, and were greeted with enthusiasm.

Examining the Ruins.

Paris, May 27.—The examination of the ruins of the Opera Comique and the remains of victims continues vigorously. Twenty bodies have been found in the dining room. These bodies were found by the police, and were not touched by the fire.

Can't Sleep.

New York, May 27.—This was the tenth day since the fire at the Hotel Stables that a person has been unable to sleep. The cause of the trouble is the fire.

A Good Girl Wanted.

Washington, May 27.—The agricultural department is now receiving applications for the position of a good girl. The position is for a girl who is a native of the United States, and who is a native of the United States.

THEATRE.

RE-APPEARANCE OF THE Home Dramatic Club,

In the celebrated Union Square Success.

Storm Beaten

Monday, May 30th, '97.

DECORATION DAY!

Matinee and Night.

USUAL NIGHT PRICES.

MATINEE PRICES, 50c, 75c, and 1.00. Reserved Seats, 75c.

NOTE.—Owing to the length of the performance the audience is requested to be seated at 8:30.

LOST.

A LIGHT RAY HORSE, FIVE YEARS old, branded on right hind, one white hind foot, black main and tail, had a collar on when he left my premises this morning. Any one returning the above animal will be suitably rewarded.

ROYAL B. YOUNG.

ANOTHER SHIPMENT

OF OUR

Celebrated

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Fakes.

JUST ARRIVED AT

G. F. BROOKS,

No. 26 First South St.

FOR SALE, CHEAP!

A HOUSE, FIVE ACRES OF LAND, A well of good water and other improvements. Apply at THIS OFFICE.

OWNER WANTED.

FOR A SPAN OF MARES THAT strayed down Parley's Canyon on Tuesday last and are now in a pasture near the mouth of the Big Hole. If anyone has seen them, please call on me at my office at 100 South Main.

The other is a light bay with a Spanish brand on right hind. Inquire of G. O. Lamoreaux at DESERET NEWS OFFICE.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

I HAVE IN MY POSSESSION:

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