

Switzerland, and has been in force there during ten years, but it has had no effect on the divorce rates in the different cantons. The *Code Napoleon* allows divorce by mutual consent. This code is in force in Belgium, and it is a curious fact that the lowest rate of divorce in the world is in that country. This question is a good deal like silver and tinplate, the more one studies it, the more complicated it becomes.

GIVE US THE PROOFS!

"Does the *Herald* know of any member of the *News* staff that has not been set aside and ordained to vote that full ticket unless it shall be deemed proper to coalesce with the Republico-Mormons and support a few men on their ticket?"

The foregoing query is from this morning's *Tribune*. Suppose we reply to it by asking another? Do the scribes of the *Tribune* "know of any member of the *News* staff," who has been "set aside"—whatever that may mean—and "ordained to vote" in any way or for any ticket whatever? If so let us have the name and the proofs. If not, what is the difference between asking such a question of the *Herald* and lying about the staff of the *DESERET NEWS*?

The *Tribune* sorts of Boss Powers have been talking a great deal about men being "set aside" and "ordained" and "selected" to be Republicans or Democrats. Now if they can give the people any proof of the "setting aside" or whatever they may please to call it, of any "Mormon" in Utah to join any party or vote any ticket, or do anything against his own individual political convictions, we will help them to expose the "setting aside," business and to hold it up to public condemnation.

We know they cannot do it. They know they cannot do it. But it suits their mean and miserable purpose to lie about it daily. We dislike the word "lie," but it is their own, minus the usual accompanying "dirty" adjectives, and it is the simplest word that will convey the fact.

There is not a man on the staff of the *DESERET NEWS*, "Mormon" or Gentile, Democrat or Republican, who has been "ordained," or advised, or solicited or in any way influenced by a "Mormon" to be a Democrat or a Republican, or to vote for or against any ticket. As to the intimation to the contrary by the creature that puts the question to the *Herald*, we will simply apply his own elegant language, used this morning in reference to some remarks of a gentleman on the *Times*:

"We say all that is worse than false. It is a pen picture, true to life, of a black-guard and a boor."

WHAT A "SUCCESS!"

"THE success of the Liberals in the school election at Salt Lake yesterday will be satisfactory information to the friends of public schools everywhere. The Mormons have never encouraged any public school system, and the Gentiles of Utah know it too well, and hence the decisive majority of yesterday. The election is also demonstrative of the fact that the attempt to dissolve the Liberal party and divide the people on party lines has not been a success."

So says the *Denver News*. That is because it believes the falsehoods telegraphed by "Liberal" deceivers concerning that election. The success of the "Liberal" faction consisted in such a victory that another like it would prove its utter overthrow.

In three precincts the "Liberal" ticket was elected, in two precincts the Citizens' ticket was elected. One year ago, the "Liberals" carried four precincts. But it was proven before the courts that "Liberal" fraud caused the alleged "victory" in the Fourth precinct and the count was reversed.

The "Liberal" registrars added over 2300 names to the registry list, and claimed that three-fourths of them were "Liberals." With this increase on the list, the "Liberal" total majority was cut down several hundred, and that in spite of the running in of hordes of outside voters, and the coercion practised on city employees. The "Liberal success" was that kind which is next thing to a rout.

The *Denver News* ought to know better than adopt the "Liberal" lie that "the Mormons have never encouraged any public school system." They have always had a public school system. The present free school system and everything connected with it is of "Mormon" adoption and encouragement.

The *Denver News* and other papers ought to wake up, open their eyes, look at the facts for themselves, and not deny the truths of history and living actualities, through depending on "Liberal" dispatches framed to deceive.

THE "TRAVELLER'S" ECHOES.

"THE *DESERET EVENING NEWS*, the Mormon organ at Salt Lake City, seems to be greatly concerned that the *Traveller* does not derive all its information concerning the attitude of Mormons and Mormonism from the organ of that institution, the *News*. The *Traveller* is free to confess that it distrusts the accuracy of the information furnished by the *News*, for the very reason that it is the Mormon organ, unless it find it fully confirmed from other quarters. The history of the Mormon Church from the beginning abounds in deceit, falsehood and false pretences. Its priesthood has never hesitated to make any kind of professions that might seem necessary to it to gain its ends. Its organ has followed the lead of its priesthood."

The foregoing is from the Boston *Traveller*: It is entirely mistaken. It usually is when touching on Utah affairs. That is because it knows nothing about them, but seeks for information from a source that intentionally and designedly misrepresents them. And it seems that the *Traveller* has not only adopted the falsehoods told by its authority, but copied one of its methods.

For instance, the *Traveller* says the *DESERET NEWS* is greatly concerned that the *Traveller* does not derive all its information on "Mormonism" from its organ, the *News*. Now the *Traveller* knows that this is entirely incorrect. We never asked that paper to seek for all its information on that subject from the *DESERET NEWS*. But we did show, conclusively that while the *Traveller* depended for that information upon the Salt Lake *Tribune*, it would always be in error.

That style of argument is *Tribunish*. Take the reverse of an opponent's position and then proceed to demolish it. It may be ingenious but it cannot be called honest. And we would advise the *Traveller* as much against patterning after the unworthy methods as against adopting the untruthful statements of the Salt Lake *Tribune*.

It is from that source that the *Traveller* obtains the incorrect idea that the Priesthood of the "Mormon" Church "has never hesitated to make any kind of professions that might seem necessary to it to gain its ends."

Now if the *Traveller* had cited some instances in which the "Mormon" Church or its Priesthood has ever made any kind of professions and promises which it has not kept, there might be some reason for making that statement. We say it cannot do so, but can only repeat the unsupported assertions of a sheet that has been convicted a hundred times of wilfully lying about the "Mormons," intentionally misquoting the words of its ministers, and purposely inventing alleged facts that never occurred.

We maintain that the history of the "Mormon" Church proves the very opposite of that stated by the *Traveller*, and it is a matter of record that sooner than make promises they did not mean to fulfill, the "Mormon" Priesthood have suffered persecution and imprisonment, fine and suffering, pillage and spoliation again and again.

All we ask of the *Traveller* and other papers that know nothing about "Mormonism" themselves, is to seek for information from reliable sources instead of repeating statements and arguments made by persons who are so imbued with hatred and malignity concerning the "Mor-