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THE IRRIGATION CONVENTION.

The convention commenced today in the Assembly Hall is a very important gathering, of practical men interested in the development of the intermounbe the object of all tain region. The people of Salt Lake City bid them welcome. As other interests of the State depend largely upon the agricultural interest, and agriculture cannot be successfully conducted In this part of the country without in rigation, the chief subject before the convention is clearly of the most vital importance, it should be gravely considered in all its aspects.

The members of the convention are all busy men, no doubt. But it is necessary that they shall take sufficient time in their deliberations to discuss nt least the principal branches of the subject before them. Increase in the water supply, its storage and conservation, its economical distribution, prevention of waste through over irrigation and other causes, the legal estab-L'shment of existing rights, the different quantities of water necessary for Various kinds of soil and of crops, the rights and powers of canal companies and corporations, the control of streams by municipalities, government aid for the redemption of the arid lands, and kindred topics come within the scope of the important assembly convened today

eventually prevail. Utah has been a leader in the utilization of natural streams for irrigating purposes. Its early methods were sdapted to conditions existing when these valleys were first settled. The co-operative spirit of the colonizers entered into all their industrial arrange ments. All men were brothers, or at least neighbors and friends, and they worked together for mutual advantage

ally, under the favorable elecumstances chiefly interested, there must be a uniy of purpure himong those who look for which his visit to this country presents he benefits desired. If seems that only An exhibition of mourning at that time ne of the canal companies interested cannot fail to mar his pleasure to some extent and produce an unpleasant ima hi discord with the others. There are always individuals connected with pression, which may have the opposite large organizations, who act as obstruceffect to that intended. The prayers for Polish rights might have been offered ionists, or at least stand in the way up previous to the arrival of the prince, of measures proposed, because they do and then they might have been followed not comport with their personal ideas up by petitions to the German governand notions.

to be fractious or disagreeable, but

are viewed as chronic "kickers."

will finally prevail.

ment through him. The public exhibi-This may be expected. It is not an tion of one of the weak sides of German inmixed evil. Persons of that chargovernment, on such an occasion, is not acter are often the means of presentalculated to soften the hearts of the ing the opposite side of an important rulers and bring about concillation. question, with the result that more Whatever the motive may be, it has the conservative and practical measures appearance of petty revenge, such as is are adopted than would have been if esorted to by the smallest of souls. there had been no oposition. People That the demonstration is to be held i that kind should be taken for what n churches, does not alter the case they are, You cannot change their nuch. It is like defaming character in disposition nor their peculiar bent of the language of the Scriptures, upon a nind. They are often called "Off ostal card. oxen." Sometimes they do not mean

## PENSIONS FOR EMPLOYES.

when a proposition is offered they The New York World has an item naturally fly to the other extreme, and stating that the Delaware and Lackavana railroad system is about to com-Without finding fault with the commence paying pensions to its employes, mittee for disbanding and refusing to who have been with the road for twenontinue their labors, we are of the ty-five years. The plan is to give the opinion that the interests involved in employes who retire after a quarter the project which they were selected to of a century's faithful service a monthengineer, are of too great importance to y allowance for the remainder of their e cast aside for the reason advanced. life. And the funds for these pensions The representatives of the canal comwill not be drawn from the wages of panies should get together, as soon as the workingmen, but from the generapossible, and see if some line of proearnings of the road. The laborers sedure can be agreed upon that the then, will in this way receive a porpurpose in view may be effected. In ion of the profits. It is a sort of profit a community like ours it is expected sharing system that will be inauguratthat mutual interests will be kept in ed, and in this it is different from the view, and that the general welfare will European systems that require the laover to lay by so much of his wages

When any individual or company very week toward an old age pension takes a stand upon its own interests, The road has already appropriated \$50, without regard to those of other per-00 toward pensions for the present cons or companies and persists in that course, the result will sooner or later be

The amount of pension will be fixed that this selfisiness will receive its due coording to the number of years the punishment. This commonwealth was laborer has been employed, and upon not built up on any such principle. Als the amount of monthly wages at the truism was the moving sentiment time of retirement. If, for instance, among its hardy builders. That is the the average monthly pay for the ten true spirit of communal progress. It years preceding retirement has been \$60 per month, and the employe has

The people of Salt Lake county, inbeen in the company's service thirty cluding of course those of Salt Lake years, his pension will be \$18 per month City, are mutually interested in measan amount equal to 1 per cent per year. ures to secure a full supply of water for for thirty years of an average monthly domestic, agricultural and manufactursalary of \$60. Employes that have been ing purposes. Each of these interests injured in the service will also be the are to be fairly considered. There must beneficiaries of the pension system, be no encronchment upon vested rights even if they have not been in the emnor endeavors to take undue advantage. ploy of the company the prescribed But all parties, companies and individuals thus interdependent, should en-

It cannot be doubted that this sensideavor to harmonize pro bono publico. de arrangement will greatly benefit One thing is certain; those who stand both the railroad and the employes in the way of public necessities and And the example set will probably be benefits for personal and private purfollowed by other interests that require poses, will come to defeat as sure as a large force of laborers. Were the truth shall triumph and justice shall plan generally adopted there would be few labor troubles. When workingmen

# ABOUT THE "BOYCOTT."

ced to have no fears for the future, they will feel more contented with the pres-We are pleased to learn that Judge and furnish no material Dichl, although so reported in some of för agitators, They will view the papers, did not express opinions with less alarm the cutjustifying the kind of boycott which ting down of wages, when such a step has been instituted by some labor agi-13 necessary. They will work faithfully tators against certain restaurants. He and make it a point to keep their record did express himself in sympathy with with the company good. The pension element, and maintained the system should draw to the company right of all citizens to the peaceable use that adopts it the most efficient service of the public streets without obstrucand it is a question whether this fact tion. One of the cases brought before alone will not save the management him was dismissed on motion of the nore than its extra outlay in pensions. prosecution for lack of sufficient evisince efficiency in railroad service, dence, and in the other case a dispute and the faithful performance of duty arose between the attorneys for the may prevent many costly accidents, inprosecution and defense, in which rejury to passengers and subsequent lawmarks were made which were attributoults. It is a wise plan that deserves ed to the Judge. We understand that general adoption. the Judge did not and does not coun-There is no good reason why a railtenance the obstruction of the public oad hand who for twenty-five years thoroughfare, nor interference with as risked life and limbs in the service people who desire to patronize places nd done faithful work, should not be of business. Some of these have come aken care of for the remainder of his under the ban of the union formed for ife. The same can be said of all lathe protection of cooks and waiters, borers. A faithful workingman, who and that body has evidently exceeded levotes his life to the building up of its legal rights. People may form a he industries of the country, and in society for the accomplishment of any ddition gives it his children to conlawful purpose, but they cannot be perinue the work, is as much entitled to mitted to interfere with the business of cognition as one who for some tim those who do not coincide with their as risked his life on a field of battle views, nor will they be allowed to pre-At least, he is as useful as any soldier vent or hinder persons who wish to an be. The real essence in most labor enter those places of business from dotroubles is this, that workingmen do ing so freely. We are glad to know that not receive enough of the profits of these sentiments are not disputed by abor to secure their old age against the Judge who has been called upon to vants. A system that remedies this sit on the cases mentioned.

the keys, would shut the gates of metry on those brigands.

If anyone doubts the benefit of irrigation congresses, just let them bear in mind how it rained and snowed on the very day the congress met in our city.

It is intimated that Menelik, king of Abyssinia, may visit the St. Louis exposition. Has any intimation been received from the wild man of Borneo as to his intentions in the matter?

A local inventor has perfected a device for saving coal. The coal men may be depended upon to so fix the price of coal that there will be no adantage in using the device.

Today France is doing honor to the nemory of Victor Hugo, the occasion being the hundredth anniversary of his pirth. He was a great poet and a great novelist, a man whose fame is a glory to the country and an honor to his ace.

A statisician has been comparing the ally mail of sovereigns, and finds that the pope receives the most-some 23,-000 letters a day. He has, however, 35 secretaries to help him. King Edward has 1,000 letters and 3,000 newspapers a day, the czar and the kaiser 700 letters each, and the king of Italy 500, and the young gueen of Holland from 400 to 150. The gentlemen should all be well informed

At the launching of the kaiser's yacht t Shooter Island, Secretary of War Root was forced back with a gun against his breast, and would have been unable to enter the building where the president, prince and party were to unch, had it not been for the timely arrival of Chief Wilkie of the secret service, who explained to the military nen Mr. Root's name and rank. Otherwise a prophet and secretary of war have no honor in their own country.

There are others besides Mi Wheeles of Kontucky who object to cending a delegation from this country o King Edward's coronation. Mr Wayne McVeagh says of our participating in coronations and other gorgeous ceremonies abroad: "The more I reflect upon it the more clear it seems to me that it is alike undesirable and undignified in us, whose fathers fought even years to be rid of kings and rowns, to send persons to pay homage to a gentleman who calls himself king, and who is putting on his head what he calls a crown." This is quite as strongly and much more elegantly ut than by Mr. Wheeler.

OUR BOYAL GUEST. Milwaukee Wisconsin.

Admiral Dewey has declined the inviation of the German ambassador ine with Prince Henry at Washington on the 28th of February. Dewey and his wife are at Palm Beach, Florida, and he says the health of his wife will not permit him to leave her. This s a good excuse, but many think the admiral has not forgotten the insult Prince Henry offered the United States at the dinner at Hong Kong. Prince Henry has since apologized for his acion, but apologies do not always cure he original wound. Prince Henry being the admiral of the German navy and George Dewey, being the admiral of the American navy, it would seem becoming that they should meet, but fate has otherwise determined, New York Sun.





The companies that were formed for the beneficial use of the scanty streams flowing from the mountains, were im-Lued with this fraternal spirit of unity, and the object in view was the common good.

The situation has gradually changed Population has greatly increased, lands thought to be worthless have been brought under cultivation; the water supply has been wonderfully amplified; individual interests have grown up, and selfishness has very naturally crept into. the owners of land depending on irrigation for profitable working. Ev ery inch of irrigating fluid is valuable, and titles to its use should be as secure as that to real estate. Ownership of water in fee simple cannot be established. Its reasonable use for beneficial purposes, is that which the law, is expected to secure to the individual or company acquiring rights for that purpose. This consideration raises many questions for serious consideration, and it is to be hoped that the convention now assembled will be able to formulate some practical recommendations, for general compliance and for such legislation as may become necessary

In order to obtain action by Congress In the direction required, public sentiment in the East, and Information on the subject to guide that sentiment, are necessary by action and light from the West. Every convention held, and every publication of patriculars bearing on this important matter, will have its ment, as a protest against the oppresweight in bringing to bear that pressive policy of that government toward sure upon the legislators of our nation their countrymen. The demonstration which will be required to produce the will be unique, and as no acts of diswished-for effect. courtesy are contemplated, there can be

no interference with the program. The We believe the gentlemen who have been called together to deliberate on these questions will give the subject their best attention, and that good will result from their meeting. We regret Chicago society puts on its gayest atthat the names of some of our leading citizens, who have been prominent for Poles will pray and mourn. The praymany years in irrigation affairs and are thoroughly acquainted with all lis details, legally and practically, and not included in the list of delegates. However, those who have been appointed to sttend are competent and able representatives of the industrial interests of this region, and we look for beneficial resuits from the convention.

A STEP BACKWARD.

The announcement that the commit are paying homage to royalty the Polish Americans will mean and pray. On our bended knees before the altar of the Almighty we will plead both as loytee selected to represent this city and the various canal companies taking waters from the Jordan river has been disbanded, is very unwelcome news to the great body of the people of Salt Lake county. Great expectations were indulged in when the committee was prganized, and it was hoped that governmental aid would be obtained for the purpose of securing Utah Lake as a natural reservoir, from which all the water necessary for the needs of the neople of this city and county could be obtained, without infringing upon the rights of the users of the water in Utah sounty.

fled. But how it can benefit the Poles in It is beyond dispute that Salt Lake the old domain is not clear. If the county will have to look to that source prince has any influence upon the interof supply for its future needs. But in nal palicy of his country, that influence order to obtain the necessary action might he secured in favor of the Poles trom Congress and from the people by means of an appeal to him person-

## A POLISH DEMONSTRATION.

ing, and hold solemn services. While

ween two classes that never should be Citizens of Chicago of Polish extrac ilsunited-between employers and emtion have concluded to take advantage löves. of the presence of Prince Henry of Prussia in that city, and hold a demon-As like as two P's-President and stration egainst the German governrince

> The Rough Rider makes an extremepolished President.

befect, does away with discontent, and

ays the foundation for harmony be-

The "unfair restaurants" must be hose where there are colored waiters

Tillman and McLaurin must feel just Poles simply propose to assemble on the ike kings-Stuarts and Bourbons-af 3rd day of March, in their various er the ristoration. places of worship, shrouded in mourn-

Henceforth it will be known as the Prince Henry accent and not as the tire to welcome the German prince, the German brogue

ers to be offered will include supplica-An exchange says the house is out of tion to God that the visit of Prince step with the country. Still the country Henry of Prussia shall not lessen the goes marching along.

> Prince Henry was given the freedom of New York. This indicates that the

'ity is no longer "wide open." Really, some of the comments of th Suronean papers on the visit of Prince Henry look like sour grapes.

The great storm in San Francisco "On the day when the exclusive for shows that while an ocean may be Pa tific it is not always peaceful.

When she received the emperor's al American citizens and as men true to their God and their nationality. The present it must have seemed just like Alice in Wonderland to the young lady

Polish demonstration will be one that this country will never forget, and one that will be a telling background to the dazzling display of royalty worship. At crowded, uncomfortable and in requent as a street car has become "On the days when the brother of the the favorite comparison for the dis-German king drinks to liberty without agreeable acaning it, we will, in the language

which his brother's mandates are trying The President has decided to go on a allence, offer prayers before fhrome of the ruler of all rulers that the hand of despotism be stayed and a noishing trip some time in the spring. Why will he toy with his reputation for ble race of people be not crushed out." veracity? The demonstration is certainly digni-

The immediate duty of the South Carolina senators is to read and head



Boston Journal.

Mr. Wheeler asks why we should fall down and worship" our guest our guests (he was speaking particularly of Prince Henry of Prussia). But we don't. In fact, we are inclined to ask these fine nobles how much they w for a lecture tour Worcester, Springfield and Hartford and whether they wouldn't like to buy few kind "hosses," "fit for ladies and children to drive.

### Chicago News,

The real danger which confronts this nation as a world power is not in its intering into friendly dealings with al the powers but in a possible discrimi-nation among them. Kaiser Wilhelm astute ruler that he is, has made the unching of his private pleasure craft the occasion for demonstrating that Germany seeks the friendship of the United States. So far as this republic is concerned, it is to be wished that an ually convincing expression of goo will were forthcoming from the other great powers. The position which this country may yet hold if it keeps free from foreign entanglements while the rest of the world seeks its friendhip, will be the position of power and independence which its founders meant t to take. The dignity, the moral int to take. fuence and the prestige which it can thus secure will be infinitely greater than any it could attain, by linking its interests with those of any one power and entering into the international scrimmage on equal terms with the other participants.

Frankfurter Zeitung.

"So far as we know, Prince Henry has never been sent upon any particular political mission, and in his trip to America he will certainly have no such function to fulfit. . . . Hence no other ation need feel anxiety, for the Unied States of America are not dispose today to be mixed up in European com plications or to enter into an alliance with any European Power.

The Deutsche Zeitung.

So to strengthen these great masses f population (now without political canings) in their race and national onsciousness that they would form at east a counterpoise to the obstinate efforts of American citizens of English rigin and English speech to make them serve English political ends, would be an object worthy of Prince Henry in that exalted person's coming four.

#### RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

The March number of Pearson's Ingazine commences the fourth vol-me of that bright and enterprising ublication. Captain Kettle figures in e story of another adventure, this me in Tunis. Other fiction in the time in Tunis. Other fiction in the number includes a further instalment of Indian Nights' Entertainment, en-titled "Tongues of Fire;" a capital Irish story, by Seumas MacManus," "When Barney's Trunk Comes Home;" another equally good Yankees story, "Why the Pea Ridge Railroad Was Not Built," and several shorter stories, The number is unusually rich In special The number is unusually rich in special articles. "The Good Roads Train" an interesting account of the school of goodwill toward men." It would 'be interesting to know whether Miss Stone, if in charge of

