

posing "Mormonism," and toat principally through the operations of his church Congress had been compelled to pass the E imunds law, although that measure was not near what was wanted, being but "a step in the desired direction." One of the political spouters of the occasion, with the genius with which he seemed to be carried away, announced the startling fact, that he felt himself to be, on that particular evening and for the special purpose sought, an excellent Method -1st. Being not only a politician but an infidel, or is at least understood to be, it is doubtful whether this conversion lasted beyond the pronouncing of the benediction which dismissed the meeting. However, the whole proceeding showed with much clearness a marvelious amalgamation betweenchurch and state. Why, it is not longer ago than a year

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course of its history.

that another striking illustration of war, and the Northern States received the union of Church and State in this Territory was furnished. The Utah furthermore, that a complete distribu-Commission has for several years made tion so as to restore to the individuals two annual reports to the Secretary of the Interior, the one issuing from the spective payments would be impossimajority and the other from the mi- ble, that the money now in the Treasnority, the former being misrepresentative of the major portion of the population of Utsh and the latter aiming to be fair to all classes of the people. At a conference of the Presbyterian Church, held in Sanpete County, a number of red-hot anti-"Mormon' resolutions were adopted. They ad-

bers of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints by Congress of all political rights. Thus the formulators showed as a church a disposition to interfere in a religious capacity with the affairs off the state. The politicians who comprised the majority of the Utah Commission recognized this union of church and state as eminently proper. This recognition iwas accorded in a most demonstrative way-the commissioners embodied the Presbyterian Church resolutions in their annual re-

Thus the resolutions were made a portion of a state document, and officials lent the weight of their political influence to help along a religious crusade.

a union of church and state, what in The name of common sense would?

Then we have the anti "Mormon" organ of this city following in the wake of the political roustabout who, at the Methodist meeting of May 7th. 1882, declared himself a devout Methodist for the occasion. This unreasonable red-hot paper is now assuming the role of a most devout Methodistical sheet. Hence its absurd and frequent chuckles over a few alleged, conversions from the ranks of the "Mormon" to those of the Methodist Church. It is barely possible that the

extatic paragraphs may be written by the hand of the minister whose name has figured so conspicuously in themone Franklin-but that does not relieve

the excessively political sheet from the role of Methodist organ, so far as it goes in that direction. To say the carry off religious slops.

Our readers have doubtless perused for this reason he generally pays withthe dispatches that have given particulars regarding some movements at



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