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Thursday.

"PLAYING UNFAIR."

the domain of the Mikado. It appears

that some ladies belonging to "Chris-

tian" societies in Japan, have been in-

duced to sign a document prepared for

them by a sectarian preacher who,

doubtless, drew his inspiration from

Salt Lake sources. Elder Grant makes

We have received newspapers from

rehash of what may be termed ancient

legislation which is represented to be

"Mormonism" and prevent "Mormon"

control of the United States. It is

quite probable that this address has

formed the foundation of the attacks

upon the missionaries in Japan to which

The tenacity with which our religious

opponents cling to the "polygamy"

question, which well informed people

know has been effectually settled in

this State, is better evidence of the

pertinacity of our assailants than of

their veracity. We are not much con-

cerned about the purpose which they

have in view, but we rejoice in the

fact that their endeavors accomplish

to the system which they are designed

to destroy or suppress, and so result in

defeating the end they have in view.

Honest and thinking people make due

inquiry and are led to receive the truth,

through its contrast with the falsehoods.

one good object; they attract attention

Elder Grant pays some attention,

vigorous reply.

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## SALT LAKE CITY, - NOV. 27, 1901, THE DAY WE CELEBRATE.

"We have much to be thankful for."

the East containing an address, pre-This expression is used once a year at pared in this city, and signed by ladies least, and so commonly that with many people it is uttered almost like a joke. associated with religious denominations here and particularly by But, seriously, everybody can find some the wives of some of our malignant ancause for gratitude, not only on Thanksgiving Day but all the year round, Toti-Mormon pulpiteers. It is chiefly a morrow, in accordance with the prohistory, a perversion of "Mormon" docclamation of the Governor of the State who follows the lead of the President of trine, and a strained attempt to procure the United States, the people of Utah necessary, to restrain the spread of will observe the national holiday, we hope in a spirit of gratitude for blessings enjoyed.

Thanksgiving Day is an American institution originating in a sincere desire to express appreciation, by the fathers of our country, of the favors of Divine Providence "from whom all blessings flow." It has come down to the present time as a day of feasting an i merriment and an opportunity for rest and diversion. It is designated by law as a holiday. We would not suppress in the smallest degree the enjoyment of the occasion, but would rather promote it than otherwise. Yet we would like to see, in the midst of hilarity and pleasure, that recognition of the Source of all good which the setting apart of the day was designed to secure. The bounties we enjoy are obtained through the toil and diligence of human excrtion, but it is God who gives the increase. His name should be honored. His gifts should be appreciated.

which are arrayed against it . In reference to this subject, we no-Utah has abundant reasons to be tice an editorial in the Intermountain thankful, for prosperity abounds on Catholic, of November 23rd, under the every hand, and progress is seen in head of "Playing Unfair to Mormons," every department of industrial life and which is so pertinent at this time that in the development of the State's rcwe here produce it in full, recommendsources. The benefits derived thereing it to the attention of our sectarian from are enjoyed by the poor as well neighbors, who seem to be as incapable as the rich, by the laborer and the emof minding their own business as of letployer. The comforts distributed ong the population today are bountiful and luxurious when compared with those attainable half a century ago, and indeed are greater than ever received in the years that art past. While it is In order to carry out such a law legaltrue that conditions in society are is, the federal constitution would have to be amended so as to take away from proclaimed, "The poor ye have always with you," nevertheless, there is suffi-ries and punishing the offense. In other cient of all life's necessaries and many of its comforts for every person in our community, and none ought to be per- punishing criminals. mitted to perish or suffer for lack of whem. Gifts and opportunities to acquire wealth are not common to all persons. Some are improvident and therefore never accumulate or provide for the future. They exist only in the present and squander all they can obtain. Others actually lack the ability to provide for themselves, and thus are dependent upon the benevolence of others. It will always be so until "that which is perfect is come." And even then there will be differences in the talents, and therefore in the conditions, of men and women. But while there is enough and to spare for all human beings, everysly. one should be supplied with that which is needful for decent existence. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has cause for profound gratitude to the Eternal Father. Its organization is complete according to the pattern revealed from heaven. There is no schism in the body. There city is no lack in its leaders. There is a vich and splendid spirit among its members. The gifts of the Gospel are enjoyed according to the faith of its communicants. A feeling of deep satisfaction is experienced throughout all its branches in all the world. Its missionaries are permitted to travel unmolested and to labor with their might for the promotion of its cause. The opposition arrayed against it is not exhibited in deeds of violence, as in past times, but is of that character which is to be expected and may be met with reason and argument. Friends are being made and raised up in various parts of the world who, if they do not believe in the tenets of the Church, admire its people and speak in their vindication. The words of the prophets are being fulfilled. The way is opening up among the nations for the accomplishment of the work assigned by the Almighty to His Church. It is a time of comparative peace and exemption from severe persecution. Zion is growing, and its light is shining as a beacon to the world. The prospects before the latter-day kingdom were never more brilliant and full of hope. This whole nation has occasion for thanksglving. Notwithstanding the fate of the late President of the United States and the mourning which it occasioned, the country is wonderfully prosperous. The government is firmly established. The wheels of industry are in rapid motion. The commerce of the country is extending and ewelling in every direction. Tumult and rebellion are being suppressed. Liberty is enjoyed wherever the Stars and Stripes are unfurled. The kingdoms of the earth acknowledge the might and power of this great republic, and receive its representatives on equal ground with the embassadors of monarchies and empires. The prestige of the United States is grander than ever before in

And while we praise the Great Creator various efforts at colonization, both in majesty does not intend to have any for the bountles which He has given us, Palestine and other countries. Then let us not forget the needy, the sufhe describes the movement headed by ferring and the afflicted. Gladden their Dr. Herzi, the object of which, he says, hearts by the help we can bestow. Be | is the integration of the scattered forces temperate in all things. Excess in any of Israel, and the expression of this direction brings certain regret. Let our unity by a national, political guaranteed home in Palestine, that may serve recreation be governed by wisdom. Let moderation keep us within the bounds as a shelter for the homeless and opof right and reason. Then our pleaspressed, and a beacon for those prosures will not pall upon us, and a joyful perously sheltered elsewhere.

Thanksgiving Day will not be suc-The accomplishment of this, the ceeded by a miserable tomorrow. The author admits, is difficult, more difficult, perhaps, than any in human his-Deseret News wishes all its readers a glad, and happy, and thankful time on tory, but he does not consider it impossible, "The regeneration of the soil," he says, "would bring the regeneration of the people." And he thinks that a review of the present position We copy today a communication of the country will show that there is from Apostle Heber J. Grant, addressed nothing chimerical in Zionism. The to the editor of Jiji, published at Tokcountry is already awakening from her yo, Japan. It explains the reports that slumber. The exports for 1900 are valhave reached this city by way of Vanued at £264,950, and the imports at ouver, about efforts to prevent the £382,405, Palestine exports maize, olive romulgation of "Mormon" principles in

oll, sesame, goap, wool, oranges, colocynth, beans, bones, watermelons, and some other articles of commerce, not But Mr. Zangwill thinks that there

argues:

ple, the Jaws are a people withou! The regeneration of the soil ountry. bring the regeneration of the It is marvelous that the counbluow people. try should have remained comparativeempty for eighteen hundred years, but it cannot remain unexploited much longer. The age of electricity is upon us, and the problem of Asia. Now or never is Israel's opportunity. Another generation and Palestine will be pop ulated by Ultlanders and dominate Germany. Another generation and the Western Jew will have lost the warmth of Jewish sentiment. In the Jews, as Palestine there have been more changes during the last generation than during all the centuries of the Chris-tian era. Neither the Jew nor Palestine can wait longer. The Red Sea was divided for Israel's first exodus; it is united to the Mediterranean for the second. The Suez canal has brought the world to the doorstep of Palestine. And

wolre The enthusiasm with which the leaders of Zionism discuss their plans and the confidence with which they look forward to their consummation, are striking features of this important movement. It is the enthuslasm and the faith that characterized the ancient prophets of Israel, when speaking of the future glory of their country and nation. Many still regard the scheme as a dream, and refuse to consider it seriously. But the enthusiasm of the leaders seems to be spreading rapidly, and the idea of the establishment of but always give it out." a center of Jewish life in Palestine is gaining substantial support. It seems to have been forced upon Dr. Herzl, like an inspiration, and others are taking it up. Evidently, the divine hand that can be seen in the history of the Hebrews, from the day their ancestors left Ur of the Chaldees to go into Canaan, is again stretched forth for their gathering, and for the great work on the earth, which is to follow that event.

fooling. The switchmen's strike at Pittsburg has proven a flat failure. They will have to switch on to another track to

make any headway. Carrie Nation calls her husband "a hell-bound hypocrite." The love Carrie for David is not so great as was Jonathan's for David.

"The presidential blessing ought to be worth a touchdown," says the Boston Herald. It proved to be worth several hundred per cent more than that.

Sir Thomas Lipton proposes to try again to "lift" the America's cup, on the theory, probably, of first the worst, second the same, third and last best of all the game.

> have petitioned the President to remove their agent. Time was when Indians would have removed him after their own manner and let the Great Father at Washington learn the news as best he could.

The last words and message of President McKinley to the American people was an appeal for reciprocity. And the people are beginning to wonder if the appeal of the martyred man is to be totally unheeded. All they have to do is to possess their souls in patience and wait and see. Great policies are not launched all in a minute.

A Dr. Annie K. Balley of Danbury, Con., declares, according to the Boston Journal, that "on Dec. 9 and continuing until Dec. 26 the sun and all the planets will be in a direct line, and the earth will be alone on one side of the sun and all the planets on the other side, as they were in the days of Noah and the flood." The time for a cataclysm is said to be at hand, but so far there are no signs in this region of an approaching deluge.

That the ancient Scriptures have been preserved with scrupulous care, and that the copies now extant, in the opinlon of scholars, can be proved to be essentially identical with the original writings, are facts. Such facts are annoying only to that class of critics, who would make the world believe that neither the genuineness nor the authenticity of the Scriptures can be proved. But facts cannot be annihilated by "yarns," no matter how funny.

At the dedication of the West Roxbury high school the other day, President Ellot made a very happy illustration of the duty of an educated person towards society. Said he: "Be sure after you have made an observation all by yourself to tell somebody what you have seen. The educated person should be not a pitcher or a tank, but a pump, that both sucks in and drives out, and that is the sort of mind that is helping the community throughout life. Take every means of absorbing knowledge

A news item in the Jewish Voice Nov. 22, states that the Jewish colonists in Palestine have for the last few years been the objects of extortion at the hands of the Turkish taxgatherers. As the whole of Turkish taxation is based on an antiquated agrarian system, the whole burden lies on the country population. So long as the Jewish Palestine colonies, it is explained, were under the ægis of Baron de Rothschild, the Jewish peasants were somewhat saved from the ordinary oppresion, as the Jewish officials lived on



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to forget the souvenirs in the shape of pressed flowers, carved wood, etc. Recently the Jewish Colonization Association has set up a weaving room in Jerusalem, and a dyeing factory and a lace factory are in preparation. There are many natural resources in the country, which are only awaiting development, in order to yield ample remuneration for labor and capital.

should be no delay in carrying ou the plans of the Zionists. On this point he

"Palestine is a country without a peo-

Palestine is the center of the

The Indians of Fort Berthold, N. D.

its history. Then let us all be truly thankful, each one of us in our own place and station

ing other churches' business alone: "Among members of Protestant churches in Salt Lake a petition is being circulated praying Congress to enact a national law against polygamy. the states the option to make laws prowords, the federal arm of the law would supplant that of the state in nominat-

"While its effect would be general if

the law is adopted, the intent of the Methodist Home Missionary society is to direct attention to Utah especially. We have heard no complaints about violations of the state law in a long time, and if polygamy is carried out in remote places in southern Utah it will be found that the males cohabiting with more than one wife are the Mormons, who take chances, and whose domestic affections cannot be allenated from the creed first taught by the Mormon Church. It is safe to say that the youth of Utah will never It is safe to onsent to the restoration of polygamy in the Mormon Church. Any attempt of the kind would mean the dissolution of the Latter-day Saints.

The circulation of those petitions in Salt Lake appears to be done on the The daily press, in publishing by sermons, omits mention of Sunday anti-Mormon discourses; so we take it granted that none are delivered Perhaps the alliance of the Deseret Sunday school with the Ministerial association, carried a protocol to let up on attacking each other in the pulpin and join hands in attacking the sa-loons. If that was called off after the election, what is to hinder the sects from coming out in the open with their petitions? We hardly think the Ministerial association is playing fair with its erstwhile ally."

But Salt Lake and Utah are not the only places where these memorials to Congress are being circulated. The spinsters whose chances for conjugal bliss have followed the last rose of summer, are especially active in the New England states. The leading spirits in the movement are Protestants of various sects and denominations. doubt not a majority of them are hon estly opposed to the Mormon belief in plurality of wives. But do they re that there is but slight difference between the Mormon practice and the practice provalling everywhere in the United States, of divorce and remar-

ge? Protestants recognize marriage a civil contract which can be terriage? minated by the consent of both parties, or by the action of one party who may have tired of his or her bargain. This practice runs squarely counter to the divine injunction: "Whom God hath folned together let no man put asunder." The marriage of one or both of the parties to the divorce is nothing short of bigamy or polygamy. Human laws may recognize it as legal, but in the Christian view of the case it is polygamous Mormonism.

Let the Christian men and women who profess Protestantism clean their own houses before they undertake to clean the houses of their neighbors, says the editor of the Boston Republic. Let them set their faces against the demoralization caused by divorce and remarriage before they attack the citof Mormonism, which has adel merit at least of religious backing. The Yormons helleve they have scriptura authority for their doctrines. The Protestants who so against the scrip tural injunction have no excuse for their position. Let them begin at

home! ZANGWILL ON ZIONISM.

In the current number of Frank Les-He's Popular Monthly, Israel Zangwill discusses the redemption of Palestine. This is one of the great questions of the present time. It is one in which, in due time, the nations of the earth will become interested. Mr. Zangwill traces the history of the

national movement of the scatterea remnant, up to the present time, show- is King Edward's order concerning the and faith and means of enterment ing the infinence of and-Semitism, and sale of seats at his coronation. His vantages are large. She will get the

# THE COLOMBIAN WAR.

A few days ago it was announced from Washington, that the Colombian representative in this country had asked our government to maintain communication across the isthmus. The insurgents had captured Colon, and the government evidently felt the necessity of obtaining aid in the struggle. But the latest dispatches say that the rebel forces have been defeated, and that the interrupted traffic was about to be reestablished.

As previously stated in these columns the United States is by treaty under obligation to uphold the neutrality of the isthmus, "with the view that the free transit from the one to the other sea may not be interrupted or embarrassed," and it was perfectly natural for the Colombian government to appeal to the United States. But there seems to be no cause for alarm. The insurgents, or Liberals, as they call themselves, know better than to compel by overt acts, this government to take a hand in the game. They know that that would be the finis of their little romantic story. As long as there are no apparent Enropean Intrigues, there can be no danger of actual interference by

this country. The "wars" in Central America are Liliputian affairs. Colon, which seems so important in the dispatches, is a town with about 3,000 inhabitants. It was taken by a "Liberal" force consisting of 160 heroes who came on a train. alighted, and proceeded to paint the place red. Fourteen people were killed, it seems, but business was resumed after the first excitement. The landing of a few of our marines was a measure of precaution, and a warning to the disturbers of the peace to go slow. No doubt, it had its intended salutary effect.

The policy of the United States in Central America was indicated by Secretary Hay at the banquet of the New York Chamber of Commerce, when he said that "not even our earnest desire for peace among them [the Spanish republics] will lead us to any action which might offend their national dignity or their just sense of independence." And as long as this strictly correct position is maintained there can be no just ground for criticism, either

at home or abroad.

Take your turkey with thanksgiving. Those Central American revolutions

evolve and re-revolve then die the ame.

Battle Abbey has been sold. Here is a case where the Battle was to the financially strong alone. Philadelphia went wild over Admiral

Schley yesterday. As Philadelphia goes, so goes the whole country, "If a dispute arises, the conductor will take up the ticket and collect fare."

good terms with the government authorities; but with the change in the administration of the colonies, these favorable conditions have ceased to exist.

> THE CANAL TREATY. Los Angeles Times.

The prospects of the isthmian water-way are distinctly brighter than they have been at any time in the past. The announcement contained in recent dispatches from Washington, to the effect that the powerful railroad opposition to the canal has been withdrawn, will

further tend to clear up the situation, even though the railroad interests are credited with selfish motives in the withdrawal of their opposition. At last there is a fair prospect that the canal will be built, and that the work will be begun in the not very distant future The President is understood to be heartily in favor of the undertaking, and there is no doubt that a large ma-jority in each branch of Congress will also favor it.

New York Evening Post.

There is no doubt that a new canal treaty was signed yesterday at Wash-ington. Nor is there any doubt, in the minds of certain newspapers, that they know exactly what is in that treaty. We observe, however, that there is a strange similarity in the account of the details of the new instrument given

by its different journalistic authors We remember, in fact, to have printed some weeks ago, in our own Washington dispatches, an outline of what was to be, very like the the treaty later and trumpeted versions. This would seem to indicate that the matte had been one of common knowledge; that the state department had been at no pains to conceal the general scope of the new treaty, and had amiably al lowed the newspapers to indulge in their playful little assumptions of om niscience and omnipotence

### Chicago Record-Herald.

In brief, the treaty, it is believed, will eliminate Great Britain from any interest in or responsibility about the isthmian canal. It will recognize the canal as an American affair which Europe and all the world can use for mercial purposes, but no enemy of the United States can take advantage of in time of war. The great victory of this treaty is the abrogation of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty by mutual agree ment and not by denunciation by one of the partles, as was proposed by the Senate amendments to the former Hay-Pauncefote treaty. It is such a treaty as the Senate will have no excuse for rejecting

Boston Transcript.

The new treaty, in association with greements with Nicaragua and Costa tica which simply await ratification, fill give the United States not merely a theoretical but an absolute control of the canal under conditions which will make that protection easy. We get not only the waterway, but a strip of territory on each side of the canal in which our jurisdiction will, to all in-tentions, be unquestioned. It will be as if a strip of United States territory had been carried down to the isthmus and the canal cut through it. The treaty, we understand, is so phrased as to affirm and guard the sole jurisdiction of the United States over the canal, whether it is constructed by private

capital or as a public work. New York World.

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