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A COMING STRUGGLE.

The invasion of Utah by paid workers for eastern labor organizations, and their endeavors to inveigle working people into the bondage of those societies; has incited a movement to meet this attempt to obstruct capital and fetter labor. It is useless to deny that the purpose in view is to effect both objects. The establishment of such organizations means, when they obtain sufficient strength, the dictation to employers of whom they shall engage, what hours the men shall work and what wages shall be paid to them. It means also that the members of the society shall be subject to the orders of its bosses, must refuse to work with non-members when so required and go on strike when ordered. All the sophistry and wordy prefenses to get around these plain statements of fact are in vain in face of the history of the existing Unions it. this country.

We have pointed out the wrong, the tyranny, the cowardly force exercised against non-Union workers, and the loss of liberty that follow the extension of those organizations. We now wish to urter a word of warning to them. There is a growing determination among business men, contractors, employers of labor in various industries and influential persons in government and in society, to make a stand against those evils and form a counter agency to check or suppress them as circumstances may require. It will be a formidable power in the land. It will hold war"-the capiis needed in all great enterprises. It will receive the support of millions of working men and women who despise the oppression of the organizations that dominate labor and seek to bind capital.

The chiefs of those societies will sit back and laugh at such propositions, feeling secure in their power. But when the time comes that their own tactics are turned upon them, and great combines refuse to employ any member of a labor union that seeks to deprive non-union workmen of the right to earn a living, there will come a revulsion of feeling and the laugh will be on "the other side of the mouth,"

We do not wish to see such a revolution in the domain of industry. It need not come if the unions abolish their diabolical rules that destroy the liberty of labor and seek to crush those who will not bow to their dicta. But unless a halt is called, and the barriers agains: industrial freedom are broken down and cast aside, the movement we have fore shadowed will rise and spread with such momentum that unionism, as at present existing, wielding its vengeful force against those who do not bend to its behests, will be broken and shattered and driven to retirement or radical re-

GONE TO HIS REST.

The death of Ira N. Hinckley removes from active earthly life one of Utah's stalwart citizens and a faithful, earnest worker in the "Mormon" Church. His name is enrolled among the most prominent in Church history, and also of those who have figured in the building up of this State. Physically strong and enduring, his mind was of similar callbre. Ready to perform any duty imposed upon him, he responded to every call, and no matter in what capacity his energies were required, he did his best and was faithful in all things. He in Millard county, where he presided over the Stake with signal ability and He was a friend of education as well as of all progressive industries. personal integrity and his fidelity to the public interest. He was well known to non-"Mormons" who traveled through the south, and they regard him as a first-class man worthy of the utmost confidence. A sketch of his career has been given in the "News," and we can only add our regrets at his departure, our admiration of his character and our sympathies with his bereaved family, His reward has been earned, his glory

MORE TESTIMONY.

that the Prophet Joseph Smith did teach and practice plural marriage in Nauvoo should put to silence the denials, evasions and sophistical arguments presented by persons who "prefer to believe" the contrary and some of whom at least are fighting against their convictions and consciences. The following letters are published in corroboration of those already placed on rec-

Mesa City, 9th March, 1904. "President Joseph F. Smith, Washington City, D. C. My Dear Brother: In reading reports from the Senate committee on the Reed Smoot case, I see

the Prophet Joseph Smith did not au thorize or practice polygamy. I do know that he did teach plural marriage and that he did give to me a plural wife who is still living with me, and that I saw one of my sisters married to him and know that with her he occupied my house on May 16 and 17, which he had occupied with Eliza Partridge, another plural wife, on the 2nd of the previous month.

"And I do know that at his Mansion home was living Maria and Sarah Law-rence and one of Cornelius P. Lott's daughters as his plural wives with the full knowledge of his wife, Emma, of their married relation to him.

"At that time I was his legal business agent and his business partner at Maedonia or Ramus, and was familiar with his family or domestic affairs; and, occupying as I did, the family mansion after his death, I had much to do in a business way with Emma, the Prophet's first wife, who at no time did ever in my hearing deny the plural character of her husband's family. "Loyal to the truth, I am always

your brother, "B. F. JOHNSON."

"Afton, Uinta Co., Wyo.

"April 1st, 1904, "I having been born in 1836 and lived in Nauvoo from 1841 to 1846 and having been acquainted with the Prophet Jo-seph Smith, do know that polygamy was taught by him, to the Saints there at that time. "And do also know that Brother

William Clayton married as a third living wife Alice Hardman, who is my aunt. I also do know that Susanna Liptrout was a plural wife of Willard Richards.

"I have also heard much said by my father and mother as well as others, of the meeting referred to in the Deseret News. "Yours truly.

"MRS. ALICE E. STEPHENS."

AN ORIENTAL IDEA.

A superficial observer of conditions in Oriental lands naturally concludes, that the people there are far behind the western nations, in civilization. But the Orientals often consider themselves far in advance. They hold that they, in many things, have passed our stage of advancement, and that we are coming slowly after.

The condition of women in Japan is an illustration of this proposition. There the women have no voice in the affairs of the state, and they have but little liberty. The Japanese claim that in olden time this was not so. Then the women had more liberty and more responsibility for public affairs. The result, they say, was deplorable, morally, as recorded in their history. Under the present status the Japanese women, we are told, are freer from crime than most of their sisters in the world. They are happy, too, and it must not be assumed that they do not exercise great influence upon the affairs of their By gentle sweetness they obtain more consideration than the western cham-

pions of "rights." This seems to be the view that obtains in Japan concerning one of the great questions of the day. Emancipation must necessarily be slow there, with this experience on record. Still, if "Christianity" continues to gain ground among the Japanese, its influ ence will be for the equality of woman and man, as far as intellectual and other qualities permit. Under the banner of true Christianity inferiority on account of sex is not recognized.

PRIEST ATTACKS BIBLE.

A London dispatch says that one of the chief dignitaries of Westminster Abbey, Canon Henson, has raised a storm of criticism, by a furious attack upon the Bible, and especially upon the Old Testament. Some of the narratives of these venerable books he characterizes as"Incredible, puerile" and "demoral izing;" he says they are a "pack of lies too gross for toleration." With the New Testament he finds less fault, but there is, nevertheless, much that falls under his criticism. He does not hesitate to say that the "indiscriminate" reading of the Bible in public is "an extremely perilous proceeding," and he suggests the reading of other "Christian compositions," as a substitute.

To the Latter-day Saints this onslaught upon the Bible has a special interest, because the Book of Mormon is generally assailed in the same way, at least as far as "incredible and puerile" cover the ground. Good-sized books have been written to prove that It is just that. The thought naturally suggests itself that if skepticism can find the Bible both incredible, puerile and immoral, it is no wonder if it finds the Book of Mormon the same. If the two have the same origin, there be some resemblance between them. But if the Bible can with stand the criticism of blind critics, the Book of Mormon can. Neither is likely

to suffer from such attacks. The fact is that the impressions received from outward sources, whether literature, paintings, music, poetry o nature, closely correspond to what it within. A blind man cannot enjoy the beauties of color and form, and the one who is deaf is dead to harmony. I takes a poetic nature to appreciate poerry, and in the same way, it takes t religious spirit to understand and enjoy the beauties of religion. Two travseum. One may be bored and tired while the other may be in eestacy at what he sees and learns. The former would, perhaps, feel more at home in a concert hall, or a dime-show. It all depends on inclination, and training, One may see the hand of God in the least flower; another may not see any beauty

outside of a bank account. Is it any wonder then that some find the Bible and the Book of Mormon "incredible and puerile," while others regard them as the most sublime specimens of literature, full of life and light "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet." was the criticism of the royal poet of ancient Israel. He did not have the New Testament, and only a portion of the Old. His criticism was not of the "higher" kind, but it was true,

CLAIM TO BE OF ISRAEL.

the well known correspondent of the Chicago Record-Herald, the descendants of one of the so-called lost tribes of Israel are found in the camel drivers that conduct the great caravans from Central Asia to the coast, in the interest of trade. That, at least, is the claim of these sons of the desert, and the claim

STAKE CONFERENCES. APPOINTMENTS FROM APRIL 1, 1904, TO OCT. 1, 1904.

Apr. 16 and 17. (Saturday and Sunday) July 16 and 17 Utah, and Beaver April 17 and 18, (Sunday and Monday) July 17 and 18 Emery .. April 23 and 24, (Saturday and Sunday) July 23 and 25 Blackfoot. April 24 and 25, (Sunday and Monday) July 24 and 27 Weber and San Luis (Sunday) July 24. Liberty ... April 30, May 1. (Saturday and Sunday) July 30 and 31 Juab, Alpine and Fremont May 1 and 2, (Sunday and Monday) July 31, Aug. 1 Cache ... (Sunday) July 31. Pioneer Wasatch, Cassia, San Juan, South San-

May 7 and 8, (Saturday and Sunday) Aug. 6 and pete, and Bingham May 14 and 15, (Saturday and Sunday) Aug. 13 and 11 Jordan, Woodruff and Summit. Wayne, Oneida and Benson ... May 15 and 16, (Sunday and Monday) Aug. 16 and 15 Snowflake, Star Valley and Nebo. May 21 and 22, (Saturday and Sunday) Aug. 10 and 21 May 25 and 23 (Sunday and Monday) Aug. 21 and 22 Teton and Taylor May 28 and 29, (Saturday and Sunday) Aug. 7 and 28 St. Johns and Granite. Box Elder, Uintah, Millard, Alberta ... May 29 and 30, (Sunday and Monday) Aug. 28 and 29 Union, Bear Lake, Panguitch, Toosle.June 4 and 5, (Saturday and Sunday) Sept. 3 and 4 June 5 and 6, (Sunday and Monday) Sept. 4 and 5 Kanab, North Sampete, Blg Horn St. June 11 and 12, (Saturday and Sunday) Sept. 10 and 11 Joseph and Sevier..... June 12 and 13. (Sunday and Monday) Sept. 11 and 12 Pocatel o St. George, Banneck and Juarez June 18 and 19, (Saturday and Sunday) Sept. 17 and 18 (Sunday) Sept. 18. June 19 Falt Lake

(Sunday) ...June 28 Sept. 25. Malad, Davis, Parowan and Hyrum June 26 and 27, (Sunday and Monday) Sept. 25 and 28 JOSEPH F. SMITH. ANTHON H. LUND.

many ancient Jewish rites. The Amer- | fail of Granada; ican missionaries, it is said, who have schools and churches among them, are continually running up against customs and traditions which remind them of the Mosaic teachings. They have considerable literature, poetry, history, biography, philosophy and ecclesiastical works, and some of their priests have large libraries of native books, which, the missionaries say, are full of suggestions of the Old Testament.

Mr. Curtis describes these pilots of the desert as fierce-looking, and travelstained. They have come a long way over roads that are very dusty, and through a country, where water is scarce the entire distance. They look, he says, as if they had never washed their faces or cut their hair, and their shaggy, greasy, black locks hang down upon their shoulders beneath enormous turbans. Each wears the costume of his own country, but they are so ragged, grimy and fithy that the romance of it is lost. They are stalwart, bigbearded men, with large features, long roses and cunning eyes.

Undoubtedly some of the descendants of ancient Israel are still living in Asia, in the regions once covered by the sovereignty of the Assyrian, Babylonian, and Persian rulers. Israel is found nearly everywhere. The dispersion of that nation was, in more than one sense, the "salvation" of the world. country. On the contrary, they have The gathering, which is now going on, the fr own way in nearly everything. will be more than that. It will be "life from the dead."

> Just now race feeling and the rivers are very high in Texas.

This is the kind of weather that is meant when we refer to Utah's glorious elimate.

The political outlook may or may not more could be asked?

Russia is still maturing her plans. If she is not careful, the war will be over and Japan a victor before she is

of Jews at Easter. Other nations feel very thankful. There is a demand for a national divorce law. Do not the States have

enough divorce without the nation go-

Russia feels very proud that within

her domains there were no massacres

ng into the business? Yale has cut down her elective courses from 263 to 249. Still there are enough left for the ordinarily ambitious

student to grapple with. Andrew Carnegie has ordered four automobiles. Is he going to take the

ost that gentleman so dear? General Sherman M. Bell's attitude owards Judge Theron Stevens and his order of contempt seems to be, "I derly

pace that Mr. Schwab set and which

he allegation and defy the alligator.' No doubt Demolii wished he had been surrounded by Utah militia when an attempt was made to kidnap him. I e had then a taste of defying the law that was not to his taste.

When all preventive measures to stop be necessary to arrest some of the hood. lums and let the police justice deal with them. A few such examples will have a strong deterrent effect.

The Japs having landed their first army in Korea, are preparing to send over another. And Russia is preparing to give them the best possible reception. When they meet they will have a killing

Attend the concert in the Thirteenth ard meetinghouse Wednesday evenng. It will be for the benefit of the ward choir and will be a fine musical ntertainment; Prof. C. J. Thomas will e conductor.

Practical investigations to determine ire to be undertaken by the Colorado. oureau of agriculture. It is high time this was done, for many of the officials of the state seem to have eaten there-

Judge Theron Stevens of Ouray, Colorado, has declared some of the officers of the state militia in contempt, Members of the Western Federation of Miners think there was no need for a judicial declaration on the subject, it be-

Asked where his army is, General Jiminez, leader of the San Domingan revolutionists, replied, "That is a very difficult question to answer." Truer answer was never made. So far as history tells, it has been scattered like chaff before the wind.

Spain is greatly irritated because France has firmly fixed her grip upon Morocco. It is too bad, for ever since the Moors were driven out of Spain that country has looked upon Morocco a: that witnesses are offered to prove that is supported by the fact that although | within her "sphere of influence," though | imperial Chemical Mig. Co. 135 W. 234 St., N.Y.

they are Mohammedans they practice that phrase was born long after the

June 19 and 20, (Sunday and Monday) Sept. 18 and 19

Commander Booth-Tucker of the Salvation Army is to speak in the Theater on Sunday night. This will prove a great attraction for the local army organization. The gentleman is a fine and vigorous speaker and proved one of the most brilliant orators at the Irrigation Congress in Ogden. He has a practical mind, an easy, but forcible delivery and a magnetic manner, and varies his remarks with telling anecdotes. He will no doubt draw a full house on Sunday evening.

THE ATTACK ON ALFONSO.

Worcester Gazette. The news from Barcelona that an attempt has been made on the life of Alfonso, adds one more arguto the long list against anarchment istic teachings. Happily the king escaped without other injury than a scar. But two unsuspecting peasants hap-pened in the way of the bomb and were badly injured by the explosion. The king of Spain has the reputation of being a weakling and up to this time has shown no marked ability in any He would not be greatly missed in the world of affairs, in case he should decide to abdicate. But any violent attempt to remove him, cannot but cause a feeling of resentment.

New York Evening Mall. Barcelona is the hotbed of revolutionary arnarchism, and also of politi-cal disloyalty. Being the chief industrial city of the kingdom, it possesses every violent shade of European pro-letariat fanaticism. Being the capital of Catalonia, and inhabited by a speaking a tongue of its own and possessing a most cordial hatred for the Castilians, no Castilian monarch is ever quite persona grata within its walls. Yet there is no sympathy with arnarchism in the Catalan movement. This detestable attempt upon young king of Spain will undoubtedly be found, when sifted to the bottom, to be anarchism of the familiar vicious type which resulted in the murder of King Humbert, the Empress Elizabeth, President Carnot and other heads of

San Francisco Chronicle. The explosion at Barcelona had the effect of making King Alfonso of Spain an object of universal interest for a brief period, because it was erroneous-ly supposed to have been due to the bursting of a bomb thrown for the purpose of taking his life. The young monarch's notoriety was, however, short-lived, and the sensation and ro mance was taken out of the incident empletely when it was learned later that the explosion grew out of the accidental ignition of escaping gas.

Kansas City Times. Although the Spanish censor succeeded in concealing most of the de-tails of the Anarchists' assault upon King Alfonso, it is not believed that His Majesty was killed.

> MRS. BOTKIN GUILTY. Los Angeles Times.

Mrs. Botkin has been found guilty and sentenced to life imprisonment. famous murder trials in the criminal annals of the country. The woman has been convicted of one of the most helnous acts possible-the poisoning and killing of another woman, wife of the man she wanted, by means of candy. The case has teemed with sengreat interest from coast to coast. The convicted woman's victim lived in Delaware, and the love affair which caused the crims happened in Golden viction is important not alone because of the tremendous difficulty attending the establishment of the guilt of a subtle murderer of the Mrs. Botkin stripe, but also because it will undcubtedly have a deterrent influence ed to attempt a similar crime.

San Francisco Chronicle. The second trial of Mrs. Cordelia Botkin for the murder of Mrs. John P. Dunning has again resulted in a verdict of guilty, with the penalty fixed by merciful jury at imprisonment for fe. No one who has closely read the testimony at the trial will fail to approve the verdict. The evidence did not leave the shadow of a doubt regarding the woman's guilt, and no eriminal brought to the bar of justice ever received a fairer trial by a representative jury. Of course, there will be That is to be expected. The woman's attorneys are relying, as is usual in such cases, upon technical errors and the imprudence of a juror during the trial. It is one of the most regrettable features of American criminal jurisprudence that the commission of technical errors in the course of a trial, which affect neither the guilt nor the innocence of the defendant, of-ten defeat the ends of justice.

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