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ARE YOU REGISTERED?

Every voter who expects to cast a ballot on Nov. 5 should see that his or her name is entered on the lists. He should take no man's word for it but see himself. Anyone who was registered and cast a ballot in the last county election may vote this year without registering, provided he still lives where he did then. One may not vote who merely registered and did not cast his ballot. All newcomers and all who have moved from one district to another must re-register.

The last chance to register will be on Tuesday, October 29.

OUR STRONG POSITION.

In times like these, when every wind that blows from Wall street brings news of some fresh disaster, it is most comforting to people in the west to feel that their financial houses are built on a rock, and that though the winds beat and the storms blow, their position is secure. No doubt there are many unfortunate, not to call them a harsher name, who have gambled recklessly in mining stocks, in other words, who have sowed the wind and are now reaping the whirlwind; but as far as our banks, our merchants, our stock men, our farmers, and our laboring men—the backbone of our whole industrial system—are concerned, there is nothing but prosperity to record. The total of savings bank deposits, and the volume of bank clearings, two unfailing trade barometers, both tell of an unusually healthy condition; our cattle and sheep men are receiving record prices for their shipments; every day that passes sees the creation of \$50,000 to \$75,000 in new wealth created in Utah and Idaho, in the manufacture of refined sugar, and a great part of the product is sold outside of the state; the mines and smelters even with their curtailed outputs, are pouring forth a stream of wealth which a few years ago would have been deemed wonderful. In the outlook, therefore, there is everything to be optimistic over, as far as Utah is concerned, and but little to feel apprehensive about. The thing for individuals and institutions is to ask themselves the question, Am I living within my income? If the right sort of answer to that query is returned, the course ahead is one of safety.

ONLY THE OLD STORIES.

"The American party is certainly not making war upon religion."

That assertion is from the anti-Mormon sheet. And in support of it, it is alleged, with the hypocrisy that characterizes the anti-Mormons' revenue, that the party only objects to pledge-breaking and Church interference in politics.

The daily exponent of anti-Mormonism" for revenue forges for the time being that its chief objection is to the exercise by any "Mormon" of the rights that are guaranteed to every American citizen, except that of paying taxes; it forgets that it has waged frantic warfare to oust Church members from positions of trust, from that of representing the State in the United States Senate, to that of serving the community as a humble member of the police force. If that is not making war upon a religion, it resembles the medieval crusade upon churches, very closely. Of course they cannot kill the "Mormons" however they may try this, but they are doing what they can in the same spirit.

The fact is, as everyone knows, that the individuals who have obtained control over the so-called American party, and the money belonging to the taxpayers of this city, have succeeded in their plots only by appealing to religious prejudices. They rely again upon absolutely nothing but the falsehoods they presume will keep the pugnacious boiling. In all their alleged political harangues they attempt to draw a dividing line between "Mormons" and Gentiles—a distinction that no American who has a true conception of the Constitution, would make for political purposes. They have absolutely no political issue, but they go on with the monotonous tune on the theme of Church interference in politics, although there is no such interference in this State. And that, by the way, proves again that they are making a hypocritical war upon a Church, for they accuse, falsely, one church of that which they tolerate in other churches. They would prohibit "Mormon" Church officials from discharging their duties and exercising the prerogatives of American citizens, while they encourage leaders of other churches to take an active part in the campaign, on their side.

Individuals who are manipulating the party for revenue: "Gentlemen, you have made scurrilous charges against the Mormon Church, on account of which you ask us to exclude from the Senate one of the members; we have investigated the matter at length, and with impartiality, and we must decline to act upon your petition, for the simple reason that the charges against the Church are not sustained by the evidence."

And yet, the party hopes for revenue appeal to the voters to trust them with the public funds for another term, on the plea that they must correct conditions the Senate declared do not exist, as far as shown by the evidence produced. Where is the honesty, the consistency, or even the common sense of such proceedings?

The truth is, the leaders of the crowd that stands together for revenue, have no issues upon which to make a legitimate campaign. They have, furthermore, a record for the past year—we refer to the financial status of the City—that is so bad that it must be covered up till after election. Hence it is thought necessary to lie about the Church, but there is no originality in repeating the old falsehoods. The charges upon which the greatest legislative body in the world put the proper brand should not be serviceable for campaign purposes, except among those who have a falsehood more deeply than truth.

CHARGE OF BALAKLAVA.

October 25 is the anniversary of the charge of Balaklava, immortalized by Tennyson. It was on October 25, 1854, just 53 years ago, that Lord Lucan, commanding the British cavalry at Balaklava, through a misconception of the orders of the commander-in-chief, Lord Raglan, directed Lord Cardigan to make the historic charge. With a battery in front and one on each side, 670 horsemen hewed their way past the guns and routed the Russian cavalry. Of the 670 only 198—all that was left of them—rode back to the British lines. Twenty-eight of these are still living and these survivors of the Light Brigade are today being feted by London.

It is England's shame that more than one of these heroes have spent their declining years and died in the poor house. Some months ago an awakening was marked superinduced by the death of another survivor in the work house. An agitation was started by "Constant Reader," "Veritas," and all the tribe of those who so dearly love to rush into print over a non de plume and the result was a public subscription which intires for the declining years of the veterans some degree of comfort—for nearly all are said to be destitute.

It may occasion some surprise to note that there were only 670 men in that immortal cavalry charge, and that there are but twenty-eight survivors. To the superficial observer there ought to have been more. Every town that boasts among its local characters a British army pensioner apparently lays claim to one who rode with the six hundred "into the jaws of death, into the mouth of hell." Further investigation shows that the claimants for this honor did not all belong to the cavalry branch of the service because former artillerymen, privates of marching regiments, members of the Florence Nightingale corps, the commissarial department and even hairy-headed veterans who never had a speaking acquaintance with Tommy Atkins, have all laid claim to this distinction and we have paid them due homage.

It is refreshing to note, however, that the simon pure, blown-in-the-bottle heroes have been accounted for, and that England is at last waking up to her duty towards those men whose devotion to the Union Jack was:

"Theirs not to make reply,
Theirs not to reason why,
Theirs but to do and die."

A year hence the ranks of the gallant twenty-eight will be further diminished, but the remains of the departed heroes will not be borne to their last resting place in a poor house hereafter.

OUTRAGEOUS VANDALISM.

There is a City ordinance that prohibits anyone from posting bills without permission. It reads: "It shall be unlawful for any person, acting for himself or through an agent, or for such agent to print, paint, write, mark, or in any way post up any notice, card, advertisement or other device upon any tree, post or pole upon any street at any time, or upon any wall, fence, tree, post, pole, building or other property, without the permission of the owner or agent thereof."

This ordinance, as so many others, is frequently violated, but very seldom in such a flagrant and impudent manner as by the miscreant who during the night between Thursday and Friday defaced a number of buildings on Main street, including the Federal building, many stores, windows, churches, and even the Brigham Young monument, by sticking up advertising notices. That this vandalism could be perpetrated without interference from the police or night watchmen, is a mystery. Jesters and property owners are very indignant at whoever is responsible for the outrage, and it is safe to say that, if he is caught, he will be given the full benefit of the law. Even in the "wild and woolly west" people object to having their buildings, windows, and public monuments defaced.

INCREASED TAXES.

The large increase of taxes in this city is mainly for the purpose of paying off the "American" party campaign obligations.

This increase is not for beautifying the city, or laying sidewalks, or putting in sewers, or for anything of that sort. When any such improvements are made, the property affected by them is specially taxed for the work.

The anti-Mormon organs are very busy these days in trying to mislead their readers on this matter. They continue to tell them, in the language of that party's platform, that "we" payed the streets. "we" beautified the city, etc., when the fact is that "we" did none of it, for the plain taxpayers did it all. The increased taxes are simply the

price which every property owner pays for the retention of the "American" party bosses in power—the only party in America that openly bases its existence upon a religious issue. It is the only thoroughly un-American party in the country, being the only one that wages war upon a religious organization and seeks to deprive of the rights of citizenship all citizens whose religious faith disappears. And we do not think that there are many real Americans who will long tolerate a party whose only mission is to wage warfare upon a body of citizens because of their religious affiliation.

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SAFE MILK.

According to a news item sent out from Montclair, N. J., an important move in the interest of public health has been taken by that community, the board of health having ordered the exclusion from the market of milk from herds that are not proved free from tuberculosis.

The health authorities have taken the ground that no raw milk is safe unless the animals are proved free from that disease, and have drawn the line against such milk in the defense of the health of the community. The circular announcing their action says:

"The object is to contribute to the reduction of the high mortality from tuberculosis (consumption) which prevails in Montclair as elsewhere, and which in our town caused 12.2 per cent. of all deaths during 1906. This disease, it is now generally accepted, may be communicated from cows to man through the milk of tuberculous cattle."

The ineffectiveness of tainted milk has been proved, and the pasteurization of all milk has been urgently recommended. The death rate would in all probability be greatly reduced by proper attention to all articles of food.

To restrain an autoist: distract his auto.

Balloon racing knocks all other kinds of racing sky-high.

Those wandering earthquakes seem to have finally lodged in Calabria.

The drop in stocks is explained by the dripping out of the water.

Walter Wellman should find encouragement in the St. Louis balloon races.

The financial crisis has proved one thing: that New York is not the United States.

What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and put it in a trust company?

When Richelieu said there was no such word as "fall," of course he was not thinking of stocks, bonds and "evers."

Pretty soon there will be some practical sense in a lover saying to his sweetheart, "Fly, oh! fly with me."

One of the anomalies of commerce is how the supply of oriental rugs is always equal to the demand, no matter how great it is.

No one would care how much the "American" administration juggles with the figures if it did not joggle with the taxpayers' money.

"Any woman can marry any man she wants," says Gertrude Atherton. Divorce court statistics prove that a great many marry men they don't want.

It may be but a coincidence, yet just as soon as Mr. Roosevelt returns to the White House there was a great security among the Wall Street bears.

The Bishop of London, speaking of his visit to Yale, says that "sport and religion seem to go together here." The combination makes muscular Christianity.

The best endurance test to which the President could put army officers would be to follow him on one of his hunting trips. Those who came in at the "death" would be qualified forever after for the most arduous tasks.

John Sharp Williams declares that he intends to devote one solid year to study in order to fit himself for his place in the United States senate. Has he reflected that such a course of mental discipline might unfit him for the place?

William Edward Fitch, in a contribution to Medical Record of Oct. 19, takes up the question of faulty fashions in dress as a factor in the treatment of disease. He claims that the use of the corset as it is made by the corset manufacturer limits abdominal respiration, compresses the abdominal and pelvic organs, and is a cause of displacements of the kidneys, intestines, and other organs. But it is to be noted that the author contends that under the supervision of physicians corsets have been constructed that are not open to any of these objections and that are perfectly healthful.

PASSING OF THE LOCOMOTIVE.

Philadelphia Press.

It has been estimated that during the year of 1906, to substitute electric power on all the railroads in the United States, That is equal to a sixth of their present capitalization. While such an expenditure may seem trifling, it will not deter the railroad managers when they consider that the change will affect the main commercial operation of their properties. It is evident that when they get the necessary capital, whatever else is true, it is certain that in every few years no omnious smoke-puffing locomotives will be permitted to enter any large city. Some towns have already placed a

PESSIMISM.

Arthur Schopenhauer.

A very noble character we always imagine with a certain trace of quiet sadness, which is anything but constant fretfulness, of any annoyances (this would be an ignoble trait) and lead us to fear a bad disposition, but is a consciousness derived from knowledge of the vanity of all possessions—of the suffering of all life, not merely of his own.

NO SIGNS OF WAR.

New York Times.

There is not the slightest sign of an approaching war with Japan. We have only had more frequent news from the far east, and there has never been any warrant for assuming that the relations of Japan and this country were so critical that a war was at all likely, not to say inevitable.

JUST FOR FUN.

"He adores it."

"But I never heard him ask her to sing."

"Yes, I know. That's because he likes music."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

First Magnate—My Doctor advised me to take a trip abroad for my health, but I'm not going.

Second magnate—My lawyer gave me the same advice, and I am going.—Judge.

"There is a great deal of injustice in literature."

"Yes," answered Miss Cayenne, "they still insist on putting the name of the author on a book instead of the man who makes the handsome cover design."—Washington Star.

"I've decided," said Ritter, "to devote myself exclusively thereafter to the writing of poetry."

"Glad to hear it," said Krochett.

"Think that's my forte, eh?"

"Don't know about that, but I do know that I never read poetry."—Philadelphia Press.

"Life," observed the philosophical boorier, "is merely a game of chess on a large scale."

"Nothing of the sort," protested the newly married boorier. "It's exactly the contrary. The game of life doesn't really begin until you mate."—Chicago Tribune.

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