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"MERRY MORMONS."

Something new in the operatic line was introduced a few days ago in New York by F. Tennyson Neely, the Chicago publisher. It is an opera with a peculiar title, "The Merry Mormons." It was produced before a party of invited guests to the number of about one hundred.

The scenes are laid in Basle, Switzerland; Castle Garden and Salt Lake City. Brigham Young is, of course, caricatured in the story, in which, besides, Elders and peasants of various countries figure. The funny man in the opera has to assume various disguises, in which he endeavors to "overthrow Mormonism," but historical accuracy is totally discarded under the protection of "operatic license."

A critic in the New York World says the libretto lacks dramatic consistency and is conventional in design and development; the humor is always convincing if sometimes commonplace, and the lyrics are polished and skilful in construction; the music evidences no striking originality; both author and composer have been too prodigal; Fred Emerson Brooks, the California poet, is responsible for the words and the music is by Charles Jerome Wilson. The piece is to be produced at a Broadway theater in two months.

From the brief outline of the opera at hand, it would seem to be on a par with that early literature on Mormonism which appeared in form of novels, in which facts were entirely disregarded for fiction. Mormonism, however, outlived those fanciful productions that had their brief time of existence, like a swarm of noxious insects. It will not be materially hurt by a caricature of it on the stage.

The opera may be regarded as another evidence of the prominence which Mormonism has achieved in the world, since, as a matter of fact, works of that kind deal with no trivial subjects. It is a testimony to the importance of the Church, of a similar nature as that of the cartoons of the numerific press relative to their subjects. But for all that, people who suppose they are legitimately earning money by publicly exposing to ridicule subjects that should be sacred, will some day find out that they are mistaken.

A TELEPHONE NEWSPAPER.

Electricity is driving out the horse, and is a strong competitor of steam, in the affairs of mankind. Is it also going to supplant the printing press? "Looking Backward," that strange, idealistic creation of Edward Bellamy, hinted at the distribution of the news of the day by telephones instead of newspapers; and that this was not extravagantly fanciful is shown by recent news from Hungary, where it is really an accomplished fact. Various electrical journals last month had accounts of the arrangements now perfected and in operation in the Hungarian capital. The story reads enough like Jules Verne's work to be interesting, besides which it is absolutely true. The practical idea of diffusing unwritten news, it appears, was originated by the Hungarian, Theodor Albert Puskas, and the Telephone Herald has now been working successfully for over two years. The 6,000 subscribers are served by one wire, measuring 188 miles in length, and running along the windows of the subscribers. Each subscriber forms a station, and a separate line is connected with each station by means of a special apparatus, so that the main line is not affected if there is a block at one of the stations. The bulletins are carefully edited and arranged to an orderly program. The staff is on duty from 7:30 in the morning until 8:30 in the evening, during which time twenty-eight editions are spoken into the transmitter. Ten men with strong voices and clear articulation act as speakers, and take their turn in shifts of two at a time. One of these speaks a series of items, but for no longer than eight or ten minutes, and every new item is introduced by the word "new." Toward evening, when news is growing scarcer, the subscribers are entertained with vocal and instrumental concerts. Connection has been made with the opera house and music halls, so that operas, as well as concerts, given in different parts of the town, are transmitted to the subscribers, who are often lulled to sleep by the strains of some favorite melody. The same arrangement has been made with the principal churches for Sundays and saints' days, especially for the Easter festival. The Budapest concerts are sometimes listened to throughout the whole dual monarchy of Austria-Hungary and even beyond its borders. Other features of the evening news service are original literary articles or essays, often spoken into the telephone by their authors and thus heard in their own voice. The cost is only two cents a day, the wire and apparatus being installed free, providing the subscriber finds himself for one year. The company started with a capital of $120,000, but has now invested $200,000. Before any news is imparted, instead of "hello," a shrill, trumpet-like blast is sent through the circuit, which is said to be audible in the whole room of a subscriber.

A PUZZLE FOR THE VOTER.

The political situation is sufficiently exciting and complicated in Utah, where there are rumors of factions, splits, traitors, threats and all manner of other disturbing elements. Compared with the reports from New York, however, our politics are a perfect paradise of peace. The starters there in the great race which is to be run on the first Tuesday in November are a mixed and heterogeneous crowd, and every voter, however whimsical or capricious, ought to be able to satisfy himself out of the list presented. First in importance in the metropolis itself is of course the Tammany ticket. Then there are the Fusionists, the Stockbiers, the Gou-Gos, the Garcia, the Prohibitionists, the Socialists, the Populists, the Empire Statesiers, the Democratic Reformers, the State Democracy men, the Mikhalistics and the Independents. The brain buzzes and the head swims when one tries to come to any conclusion as to what most of these congeniatives stand for. Some represent deals, some dickers, but the Sun admits that all the virtuous ones are not for the stuff in the shape of offices.

This aggregation, be it remembered, represents generally the various wings and elements of Democracy only. There are numerous shades and tints of Republicanism—and through and through the whole composite mass, on each and every side of the party dividing line, there is an unusual amount of hypocrisy, false pretenses, and a numerous contingent of politically tame, maimed and blind. New York is a great city in a great state; but it is a matter for supreme congratulation that it has so complete a monopoly on the class of politics its campaign this fall presents to the gaze of a suffering nation.

LAKES DRYING UP.

Referring again to a subject treated in these columns a week or two ago, we note that the St. Paul Pioneer Press has now completed the publication of a series of reports from the various counties of Minnesota and North and South Dakota on the disappearance of the lakes and smaller streams in those states. From the reports it appears that the water system in all the states mentioned is gradually drying up. Minnesota, at one time, had something like seven thousand bodies of water, while many of these now have entirely vanished, and farms and fields occupy their former sites. Others have diminished in volume and are slowly disappearing.

The Pioneer Press finds nothing to cause a change in the belief that the chief reason for this fact is that the breaking up of the soil for farming purposes has had the effect of cutting off the natural drainage, the water being absorbed by the sandy loam. For the smaller and shallower lakes the disappearance is supposed to be permanent, while the larger lakes may probably gradually be filled up again.

Commenting on this subject, the Peoria Journal calls attention to the fact that no such heated and rainless period from the middle of August has been experienced in this country before. The magnificent floating palaces that once plowed the Illinois, Missouri and Mississippi rivers are giving way for a class of boats that hardly draw two feet of water, and even these cannot find depth enough at all times of the year. The reports of the department of agriculture show that all water supplies in the New England states are exceptionally low. The rainfall has also been deficient in Colorado, Nebraska, Montana and the Pacific states, as well as in Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota and Michigan. The detailed reports from the places mentioned below show the seriousness of the deficiency:

In the section around Eastport, Me., the rainfall has been 5.70 inches below the average. In the section around Smithfield, Va., 7.01 inches; around Boston, 7.62; Nantucket, Rhode Island, 7.69; Amherst, from 8.20 to 11; Central New York, 7.96; New York City, 7.42; Central Pennsylvania, 15.84; Eastern Pennsylvania, 7.61; Southern New Jersey, 8.20; Washington, 5.92; Lynchburg, Va., 4.99; Cape Henry, Va., 6.09; North Carolina, from 5.40 to 9.72; Florida, 8.19; Mississippi, 10.19; Texas, 11.42; Tennessee, 10.30; Indiana, 10.62; Ohio, 8.84; West Virginia, 8.46; Western New York, 7.25; Michigan, 6.34; Iowa, 7.9 to 7.6; Illinois, 7.34, and Kansas, 10.45.

The conclusion drawn is that the earth at present is suffering from some unusual condition which has the effect of diminishing its usual water supply. Flammarion some time ago suggested, we believe, that the approach of Faye's comet might have that effect, but as he is an alarmist of a pronounced type, his predictions do not carry much weight. The cause of it all is important enough, but it is not nearly so pressing as is the problem, in case a change does not speedily come, as to what the dried-up states are going to do about it.

A KENTUCKY colonel created some stir in a Louisville theater one evening last week, by rising in his place when the announcement was made from the stage that a local songstress would sing "After the Ball," and threatening that if she did, he would "clean the house out." When tried in court next morning he was acquitted, presumably on the ground of irresponsibility; for no sane man would feel the necessity of uttering any such threat—the song never fails to "clean the house out" itself.

AS THE appointed day for the encounter draws near, it is noticeable that Sluggers Corbett and Fitzsimmons devote more and more time to contemptuous talk about each other. It begins to look as though they are afraid they are really going to be allowed to fight some of their disgust.

A SPANISH paper in Mexico threatens the bombardment of New York as soon as Spain shall have conquered the Cuban rebels. But at the rate of speed with which this is being done, there is no immediate cause of alarm.

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