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EDUCATION IN UTAH.

The cause of education has always . been dear to the people who redeemed this once desert region from its wilderness condition. The schoolhouse was in- and fatal accidents seems to have variably the first public building erected swept through the country. Especially in all the "Mormon" settlements. The noticeable is the great number of murschools of Utah were, of necessity, at ders and sulcides that has been recordfirst in simple form and the studies were but rudimentary. They rapidly bands, and husbands their wives, and advanced, however, just as fast as the lovers their sweethearts; wholesale means at hand made progress possible. From the beginning of the building up of this commonwealth, higher education was kept in view, and the founding of the University of Utah was among the earliest and most prominent efforts of the people here in that direc-

tion. While popularly supposed to be enemies to secular learning, the leaders of the "Mormon" Church were its strongest promoters. Men who maligned President Brigham Young as a foe to education, showed their own support of | it by never contributing a dollar in its aid, and by opposing local taxation when it affected their pockets, while President Young expended large sums of money and made endowments for institutions of learning, which still bear his name and attest his desire for the spread of knowledge and intelligence. Today our common school system is not a whit behind that of any State in the Union, considering its wealth and population. Indeed, it ranks higher than many in older and greater commonwealths. In addition to the district schools and the State University and Agricultural college, supported by public funds, there are a number of Church institutions that depend entirely upon tuition fees and appropriations from Church funds for their sustenance. They are excellent establishments in which high school and to some extent ollege work is supplemented by theolotry. For there is nothing in the realms of learning whether in science, or art, or philsophy, or religion which the principles of our faith do not comprehend. The attainments of the human mind in past ages, and in the present period of intellectual advancement, will be supplemented by the inspiration of that spirit which guides into all truth, and there will be no limit to the soul's progression under the guidance of di-

vine revelation. Just now, it seems as though our eduational affairs will have to go on in their present way, with endeavors to prepare for better things by and by. The revenues of the Church and those of the State are limited, with no.immediate prospects of very great increase. Each must work in its own sphere, separate and distinct from the other, but with a desire for general advancement and mutual good. There should be harmony among them all in their secular methods and labors, with a desire for the promotion of educaional excellence and the progress of every institution of learning within the State, for the general welfare and the uplifting of the whole people into the glorious light of supreme intelligence.

A CRIMINAL WAVE.

Readers of the dally papers can hardly have failed to notice, that for a considerable time a wave of crimes murders by mobs have also taken place in different localities. Suicides were so numerous in a certain Kansas town that the papers published there agreed not to report any more cases, believing that publicity created a morbid feeling and led to imitation.

What is the cause of this epidemic of crime? Some years ago it was customary with certain orators to lay the blame on the hard times. People were poor, out of employment, or underpaid for their labor. And to that cause homicides and self-destruction were traced. But prosperity came without bringing with it the expected diminution of crime. According to statistics on suicide gathered by Dr. F. L. Crum, of East Orange, the tendency to selfdestruction has been on the steady advance since 1871, in some of our prin-Herod. cipal cities. In New York there were during 1871-75, 14.1 suicides for every 100,000 inhabitants. During the years 1876-80 this number decreased to 19.3, but during 1881-85 it rose to 14.9; dur-

ing 1886-90, to 16.4; during 1891-95, to 19.4; and 1896-1900, to 23.5. In San Francisco the increase during the years here recorded was from 30.0 to 47.2; in Chicago, from 12.6 to 23.0, and in Philadelphia from 7.3 to 11.8.

A Brooklyn physician has suggested that the long prevailing disagreeable weather that characterized the spring one great end. may be accountable for the great number of suicides. Such weather, he thinks, creates despondency. But the explanation is unsatisfactory. It may account for some individual cases of untimely departure from life, but it does not explain the steady increase of suicides from year to year, noted during the last three decades. Nor can the matter rationally be put down to the malignant influence of planets, as some people imagine. The fact is that the growth of crime, in all its forms is due to the decadence of religious belief in all parts of the civilized world. There are other causes, but they can generally be traced to this, as the first cause. It is owing to disbelief that that there is so much. sickly dissatisfaction with social conditions. Without the light of religion. the trials and difficulties of life sometimes become unbearable. When there is no fear of God, and no genuine love for His children, there is no real happiness, and life is a burden. And that is, no doubt, the true explanation of the fact that self-destruction more than keeps pace with advancing civilization. Society in all its ramifications needs regeneration, as the only means of cleansing the atmosphere of impurities. That is the lesson of the criminal wavethat attracts much attention at the present time.

that can be done, there should be no hesitation in making that arrangement, until the time is ripe for the Hawailans to assume their own robe of state sovereignty. Judge Humphreys says the sentiment

in favor of statehood in union with California is growing, and that two Honolulu papers are about to commence a vigorous campaign in its favor. He thinks it is the only way out of chaos, and that it will bring to the people prosperity and security in no other way obtainable.

THE CRIME IN CHINA.

When the story of the doings of civilized soldiers in China shall have been told in all its details, it will be characterized, justly, as the crime of the century. And it should be told without effort at concealment. It should be given to the world in all its hideous details, for it shows that war is war, and cannot be conducted on civilized principles; it forms the strongest possible argument in favor of a permanent peace tribunal. General Chaffee has laid bare some of

the atrocities committed in the name of civilization. He says that Pekin was given over to almost unrestrained robbery for three weeks after the capture. Just think of what a band of looters,

amounting to thousands, can accomlish in three weeks in a city, if not restrained by law! It is easily believed, that anything a Chinaman might have, was selzed, including vegetables, eggs, chickens, sheep, and cattle.

But this is not all. Murder was rampant.General Chaffee is reported to have said that where one Boxer was slain, fifty harmless coolies and farm laborers, and many women and children were killed. The soldiers argued that, since there were numerous Boxers among the population, some would always be done away with when a sufficient number of natives were massa-

cred. From other eye witnesses of the horrors in China it is known that one Russian general, misunderstanding orders from headquarters it is charitably explained, drove 5,000 or 6,000 Chinese men, women and children into the Amur river where they perished. It would be in vain to search the annais of modern history for any more appalling atrocities. Civilization, while on this expedition of vengeance simply donned barbarism and out-Heroded

Some time all these things will be impartially judged, and adjusted. Retribution is sure to follow. Our boasted civilization will be convicted by its own works at home and abroad. Other civilizations have fallen and become buried in the dust of ages, just because of their failure to ennoble mankind. They have been cast away when found to be empty shells without a kernel. Will not history repeat itself? Surely, for there is an overruling power that directs all the various events toward

THE HOUSE FLY DANGER.

past they have been regarded as "out of sight."

Boston has twenty-two hundred bartenders. No wonder the bars are let down at times in the old Puritan town.

The St. Louis world's fair managers have selected Forest Park for the fair site. What a site was there, my countrymen!

there is a general apprehension that

It would prove so or, most of the ferry-

boats that ply the waters about the

city. Allowance is to be made for the

consternation that causes so many pas-

sengers to become bewildered and help-

less when an accident occurs, but it is

patent to the eye of any one that the

life preservers are mostly stowed out of reach and difficult to get at, which

is in itself calculated to increase alarm,

and they have the appearance of never

being inspected or kept in condition

Baltimore Sun.

The ferryboat collision in New York

for use.

The Shamrock II has been taken out of dock. She and the Constitution will both go slow in the future when out for practice.

Senator Chauncey M. Depew has just made his last will and testament. He has not made his last after-dinner speech, though.

Mayor Davey of Butte has ordered all the poolrooms of that place closed. He sets an example worthy of imitation by our own Mayor.

When the blcycle paths are constructed it will be an easy matter for the bicyclists to keep to the straight and narrow way.

A New York man claims to have solved the problem of wireless telephony. What the public most needs is a solution of the high telephone rate problem.

The Porto Rican Federal party will henceforth hold up Gov. Allen's hands. Heretofore its attitude towards him has been somewhat the "Throw up your hands" order.

Representative Hepborne is anxious to curb the power of the Senate. Others are equally desirous of bridling the House. Next some one will be wanting to saddle the vagaries of Congress on some of the old party war horses.

In many parts of the East the heat is so excessive that people are dying from it. A few months hence all this will be changed and people will be perishing in blizzards. And so it is that an average of good temperature is struck.

The battleship Massachusetts went through Hell Gate, New York harbor, and her officers are very proud of the feat. That's nothing. The Brooklyn, Iowa, Oregon and others went through the Spanish fleet at Santiago de Cuba and their officers are not making any brags about it.

Senator Platt says the United States will not be satisfied with any republie in Cuba of the South American type: it must be the genuine article and not a dictatorship in disguise. One cannot help wondering whether the senator has an amendment to the amendment up his sleeve.

The action of Judge Timmony in fining a young man for putting out the lights on a Lagoon train, is to be commended. Such actions frequently occur on other trains, and if the same treatment were meted out to them as was given this Lagoon train hoodlum it would be better for everybody.

harbor Friday, while not resulting in the great loss of life at first reported. points an emphatic moral which, it The anti-"Mormon" paper in this city which is in the habit of taking isolated sentences from the Deseret News, tacking them together and distorting their meaning and intent, and which sometimes picks out fragments of sentences on which to base a theory entirely different from that of the article thus garbled, has this to say of such miserable journalistic methods: "Such garbling is universally held in contempt and abomination by all right thinking people, as the work of a dishonest scamp; and that is a proper term to apply to the woolly aphis." We agree fully with that sentiment without endorsing the language. We are perfectly content to let that paper describe itself in its own elegant way. BISMARCK.



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gical training. Prominent a rong these are the Brigham Young academy at Provo, the Brigham Young college at Logan, and the Latter-day Saints' university in this city. They are growing in usefulness and importance. The Church to which they belong may be reasonably proud of their advancement and status.

It has become an important question to decide as to the limit they shall reach in collegiate or university work. It is desirable that there should be one great State institution which shall be a university in the highest sense of the term. At present Utah is not popular or rich enough to endow or support, by taxation, such an establishment as will meet the expectations of her people. This will come in time, no doubt. When the object of her educational ambition is reached, there will be no necessity for our young people to go elsewhere to complete their studies in any branch of learning or in any of the professions. All that is needful will then be obtainable at home. At present, with the limited amount of funds available by taxation, our State University will have to work its way along on the road towards this inviting goal. The other institutions may to some extent become feeders to the University, particularly if it shall become entirely devoted to university work.

The Church colleges will have to be maintained in order that the religious courses of instruction which are part of their curriculum may be continued. They form one of the essential features of those establishments. Not only the letter but the spirit of religious training marks the system therein adopted. No institution supported by general taxation can do the work that is pecullar to them. Under the laws of the State, no sectarian or denominational instruction is permitted in a public school of any standard. That is quite proper, and the law is as much for the protection of the children of the Latterday Saints as for those of the Jew, Gentile, or infidel. Our church schools and colleges are for children and young men and women whose parents desire them. to be taught the principles of the Gospel, according to the faith of the Latter-day Saints.

There ought not to be any friction between the Church establishments and the State University. It may be said that they ought not to work exactly on lig same lines in any particular, They do not, of course, so far as religion is concerned. But at present much of the educational work in all of them is duplicated in the University and Agricultural College. There will come a time. In our opinion, when this paralle! education will to a large extent be discontinued. The Church institutions will reach a given standard. sufficiently high for the great body of the youth of Zion, and the State University will confine liself to the sphere which its title denotes; and those young men and women who have loftier aims than can be satisfied in the Church colleges, will be able to -reach them in the great State establishment fully equipped and endowed for the purpose.

It may be, too, that some day the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will be able to sustain a grand institution of learning for its own people, second to none in this great coun-

A HAWAHAN SCHEME.

Judge Humphreys, of the First Circult court of Hawail, who has attained fame lately for the stand he has taken in the political contests in the new territory, arrived in San Francisco last Sunday. To a reporter he spoke about the conditions in Hawail, and said, among other things, that there is a movement on foot for the annexation of the Hawailan Islands to the State of California. This, he thought, would be of mutual advantage to the state and the territory, since it would give California an additional congressman, and, at the same time, give to Hawail the strength of the entire California delegation in Congress. It would give, he said, to the islands a stable government with the Supremen court of California and the civil code of the state, together with all the decisions and rulings of that court, reaching back for fifty years.

He thought the transfer could easily be made. On this point he explained: "It would be necessary only for Con-gress to pass an act that could be writ-ten on a sheet of foolscap paper, and

would be no necessity for submitting it to the people of the islands at all. Under the law Congress has the power to pass such laws as in its wis-dom are deemed best for the government of the islands, as it has full con-trol of the territory. California would have to agree to the annexation by an act of the legislature calling for a con stitutional amendment to be voted upon by the people of the state."

That is quite a plan. From a geographical point of view, there should be no particular objection to it, although the distance between California and Hawaii on first thought strikes one as a serious obstacle. Other states have islands within their borders, though not situated so far away. But it will probably be a long time before that scheme can be carried out. Still, Congress is bound to give to Hawaii the best possible form of government, the territory having been admitted to the protecting folds of our flag, and if an-

And now attention is being directed to the peril of being poisoned by the common house fly. That the mosquito is, at least in some places, a dangerous enemy, carrying disease germs to the victims of their attacks, has been established by scientific observation. But the buzzing fly appears to be no less a menace to health.

A contributor to Good Housekeeping, Dr. L. O. Howard, who is an authority on entomology, states that wherever filth is allowed to accumulate in alleyways, vacant lots or other places, the house fly is liable to find virulent typhoid germs to transmit to food substances in houses. It has been shown, Dr. Howard goes on to say, that active typhoid germs may be found in excreta for some time before the character of the fever can be recognized, and also for some time after the patient apparently has fully recovered, and since the house fly breeds in such substances, and sends out vast swarms into kitchens, pantries and dining rooms, unless prevented from doing so, the danger of the fly is by no means to be taken lightly.

The remedy is, of course, cleanliness. There should be some effort to stop the breeding of the fly. Open manure piles around stables are thought to account largely for the great number of flies in the summer time. Dr. Howard says such piles should be kept in vaults, or closets, and a shovelful of chloride of time should be added every day, and all stables should be kept scrupulously clean. Boards of health might see to It that such rules are enforced. They are as necessary as the rule that makes the spraying of trees obligatory.

Among most thinking people sickness is being looked upon as a condition, rather than as an entity-a condition that can be changed by sultable agencies, just as a sweet fluid may be rendered sour, or a solled hand be made clean. It is heing regarded as the protest of nature against conditions that have arisen within the body through our own carelessness, through accident, or through lack of wisdom and knowledge. Diseases, even the contagious kinds, seem to come sometimes without any possibility of tracing them to other patients, from which they are "caught." They seem "to be in the air," as the expression is. And sometimes one disease passes over into another. Health is a condition, that has to be maintained, or it will change into its opposite condition. Moderate indulgence in food and drink, sufficient exercise, needed rest, tranquility of mind are among the agencies that keep the human system in a healthy condition. But to these must be added cleanliness in body,

habitations and suroundings, and where this is observed, there need be no fear of the destroyer that appears to be hiding in every humming insect. Maine has a hundred harbors, but

Bar Harbor is her most famous one The circus comes nearer being the fountain of youth than anything yet discovered.

Killing mosquitoes with kerosene is a splendid and useful example of pouring oil on the troubled wat rs.

There is fashion in fireworks as well as in everything else. Bombs and nexation to an old state is the best sky rockets are now out of date. In the

Springfield Republican. The new Bismarck monument in Berlin, which was unveiled Sunday, represents the great chancellor as a sol The figure has a helmet for the head, the military coat and a sword in the left hand. Bismarck himself would have been pleased at this. He was fond of wearing his uniform as eral, and he liked to think of himself as a soldier, although his whole life work was in the cabinet and not in the least in the profession of arms. There was a certain filness, too, in his pre-dilection for soldierly associations, for 101 his statesmanship was of an absolutist, dictatorial type that was military in its spirit. Von Buelow's memorial address at the dedicatory exercises is reported to have accepted Bismarck as the creator of German unity in so far as any one man can be called its crea-tor. That the present emperor is said to be displeased at the address is not surprising.



Emperor William was the first to place a wreath at the foot of the statue. And well might this young emperor pay tribute to Bismarck, for it was he who for thirty years carried Atlas-like the continent of Europe. For thirty years Bismarck occupied the center of the stage, playing the leading role in the diplomacy of the world. In many respects he was the greatest man of his age, greater than Gladstone, greater than Blaine. He was the empire And when the youthful enthusiasm of the emperor demanded his retirement. great was the fear felt for the father land.

Boston Herald.

On the pedestal of the recently unveiled statue facing the column of vic-tory in front of the Reichstag building Berlin, is the single word "Bismarck." To have gone into details and told who and what he was and all he did would have made a story too long for the stonecutter to record.

New York Sun.

The dedication exercises at the Bismarck statue in Berlin have caused a row. It is said that the Kaiser was displeased at Von Buelow's unstinted eulogy of the former chancellor; and that his majesty does not regard the memorial as a work of art. This is serious, as Wilhelm R. I. is no mean art critic. The figure of the prince is not satisfactory. As it stands in front of the parliament building it would have been better to avoid suggesting the military side of Bismarck's life. would have been better to show him ddressing the Reichstag, with the his toric bumper of champagne and stout before blm. It was on occasions when faced his enemies thus that he did his greatest execution and was most in his element

THE ILERTIO T ACCIDENT.

New York Mail and Express. It required the sinking of a ferryboat and the terrible alarm caused thereby



