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A BIG WA	TER	DISPUTE	a.

A very important water case has been in hitisation for some time. It is the Descret Irrigation company, et al. vs Samuel McIntyre, et al. It was tried before Judge Higgins at Filimore, occupying the greater part of two weeks; and was later heard at Nephi, the court adjourning last Saturday until the 19th inst, for the purpose of obtaining additional proof us to what is technically called "the duty of water," that is the determination of how much land a cuble foot of water per second will irrisate.

The plaintiffs in the case have been represented by Hon, S. R. Thurman, and the defendants by Hon, F. S. Richards, John M. Cannon, S. A. King and W. K. Reid. It is needless to say that the claims of the parties and the merits of the cause have been ably and | the absolute untruth of every statement fully presented.

dentiy based on a misunderstanding of of everything the "News" has said in the status of the proceedings. It is | reply to those errors. There is nothing believed by the people of Westover. | more to add. The Tribune writer will Fayette and Dover, that the court has | doubtless continue to hurl maledictions rendered a decision that deprives them | against the "News," and the malevoof their water privileges in the Sevier. river, which of course would be very disastrous to a large number of famflies depending upon farms irrigated of their faith, will still be exhibited in from that source. But no such decision, as we understand the matter, has | manifest debility in tone and style. It yet been reached. The suit is still pending.

The facts that appeared in the evidence may be thus summarized: Some time between 1873 and 1875 the peop's of Descret, Learnington and Wellington took out water from the Sevier river for irrigation purposes. In 1879 Dover people also took out some of the water, and other partles at subsequent dates. In 1889 the Deseret and Salt Lake Agricultural company constructed a reservoir at Deseret, and

ture before the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, and quoted by the best ournals and periodicals of the country as fully authentic and praiseworthy as literary effort ..

The perversions of the historical facts set forth by that authority, which are indulged in every now and then by the paper in this city that cannot long resist the temptation to defame the leaders of the "Marmon" people, mlsrepresent their motives and cast a loud over their brightest deeds, are not to be relied upon by any person who desires to learn the truth. Indeed they have become so state, flat and unprofitable, that they have ceased to attract much notice in these parts and are only repeated for outside deception. We have paid some little recent attention to them by special request, and that people at a distance who may, perchance, see the Tribune's falsehoods, may be able to detroi them by the light of the historical facts we have pre-

Because an eloquent orator, who is not a "Mormon," paid a fitting tribute, on a proper occasion, to the patriotism of the "Mormon" Battalion and the great leader Brigham Young, through whose wisdom and energy it was organized, the Tribune went into a fury "Morinons" the following base false-

"Those five hundred mon were enlisted on a petition sent by Brigham Young to the Prosident. They were accepted hen the government did not need sol-

It was understood from the first that they would not one of them be called upon to fire a gun on the whole journey they were about to make, except they fired it at a jack rabbit or a buffalo to get tresh food for themselves. The get treat tood for themserves. The country they were going through had already been appropriated. There was no foe before them. They simply had to march armed to the country which they wanted to go to. The knowledge that the Battalion had been ordered en-

listed was halled with joy by all the Saints. We have demonstrated from histori-

cal avidence cited by the Tribune itself, in the quotations here repeated. We

We have received some inquiries, evi- have also proved the exact truth lence which inspires his magazine and editorial libels against the Saints, distortions of their doctrines and derision the same bitter spirit, though with a does not matter much. The truth will come uppermost, and the efforts to obscure is will eventually go down with their author into the depths of endless oblivion,

CONGRESS ADJOURNED.

The Fifty-sixth Congress has ended its arduous labors, and its work now goes to history, to be passed upon as to its merits or defects. Questions of great moment have occupied the attention of the legislators, from the first our of their session. At times the controversies have been bitter, and conclusions have been reached the wisdom of which may be questioned; but impartial history will pass on that, and even the mistakes, when seen in their true light, will be for the avoidance of future assemblies. Among the most notable acts of the session was the passing of the currency law, which placed this country among the gold standard nations. Local governments were established for Hawail and Porto Rico, and legislation was enacted for the benefit of the Territory of Alaska, Appropriations were made for the addition to our navy of several new war vessels, among which were five submarine boats. On the other hand, the legislators failed to provide for the construction of the Pacific cable and the Nicaragua canal. The problems involved in these enterprises will be taken up in the future, and solved one way or another. A measure, providing for a Constitutional amendment for the election of Senators by the direct vote of the people, though passed by the House, awaits further action. It is by many conevents, a widespread public sentiment in its favor, and this will no doubt, hefore long be taken into serious consideration by the upper house of the na-

ference in favor of his cause, his position is perfectly natural, even if later events prove him to have been mistaken.

We believe the best act of friendship to the Boers now would be to counsel them to lay down their arms and sue for peace. To those who would prefer to remain in the country British rule would be no more oppressive than it has been to the Boers in Cape Colony, or Natal, They would lose none of that privileges. They would be protected by a strong government in the enjoyment of life and liberty. To those who would prefer a change

of location after British occupation, the United States would offer a desirable place of refuge. The Boers are an agricultural people, and there is plenty of room in this land for rural settlers. The United States have been an asylum for the oppressed classes of Europe, and the entire Transvaal population would find room enough here, to dwell in peace and prosperity. For a short time only they would be strangers in a strange land. Their children, enjoying the inestimable benefits of American citizenship, would blezs the hour of the expatriation of their fathers to a land where everyone can pursue un-

molested his peaceful calling, and worand hurled at the gentleman and the ship God according to the dictates of his conscience. It should not be necessary to remind Paul Kruger of the fact that the dark hour through which he is now passing, may prove the beginning of great blessings to his people, The yord of the Almighty is not confined to the "still, small volce." It sometimes is heard in the thunderstorms and the cyclones that overturn everything in their

SPOTS IN CIVILIZATION,

nath.

There should be no reason to doubt the ability of the American people to. set the world an example in all that which is best in the civilization of which this century boasts, and yet, sometimes the question whether civilization Itself is not more or less of a failure forces itself upon one's mind. Not long ago a Chicago mob wrecked a dispensary, because a rumor had gained currency to the effect that the medical men in charge of the institution were stealing children and murdering them in the interest of science. It is curious to watch the way such evil reports obtain a hearing. A boy

was temporarily missing-an incident not unusual to boy life-and the story was at once started that he had been decoyed into the institution. A fellow in the crowd then discovered that his boy, too, was missing, and in a moment a frenzied mob was gathered. The fury spread like fire in dry grass. The police were summoned, but before their arrival on the scene the building was wrecked.

St. Louis furnishes another instance of the wicked folly of human beings when breaking loose from reason and following the guidance of blind passion. There is a strike on. A few days ago a mob of 2,000 persons assaulted an unprotected woman, tore her clothing rom her body and nearly killed her.

ordinance should be enforced vigorously against "scorchers" and those who fail to carry lights at night.

Ex-President Cleveland says he is not in politics now. A man who has been twice elected to the chief magistracy of the nation ought to be able to rest from partisan strife as a reward of his suc-

It is said of a New York firm which failed recently that it will pay all its debts, and then will have a quarter of a millions dollars left. There is one good example which comes from Gotham, In all creditors getting the full amount due them.

Gen. Funston has captured a lot of Filipino robel archives. Their chief value is to confirm what is already well known, namely, that from the first Aguinaldo had in mind a scheme to betray and butcher American soldiers at he carliest opportunity.

A Lourenzo Marques dispatch says the United States government has urged President Kruger to treat for peace with Great Britain. The probability is that the United States has done no such thing, but is following the policy of minding its own affairs,

The high school in this city needs a principal, and there are several capable Itah men available for the position. The latter fact is respectfully called to the attention of those members of the board of education who are straining their eyes to discover someone afar off, that he may be imported hither to fill the place.

Twenty out of twenty-two States that have selected delegates to the Democratic national convention, have given express instructions for the nomnation of Wm, J. Bryan as the Democratic candidate for President. As there is no doubt of enough other States being in line, that nomination is as definitely settled as anything political can be in advance of the actual occurrence.

German activity in South America does not appear to lessen. Yet it may figure on a different achievement than German aggrandizement of territory on this continent, since the Kalser ought to know that the United States will not consent to it, and Germany is not in possession of facilities to compel acquiescence.

The Rough Riders are to be congratulated on the success achieved by General Torrey, with the aid of Congressman King and other representatives from the West, in obtaining the pay due to those vallant men for tracelling expenses. The unanimity in which the bill was finally passed is very gratifying. The "boys" deserve very cent they will receive.

While it will be admitted that a good et of natural teeth is worth many thousands of dollars, indeed is beyond price, it is difficult for anybody but the exquisites in the art of providing artificials for the mouth, to understand how any manufactured set of grinders can be really worth a sum reaching bo

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ence between a general with a genius for war and one whose chief forte was fighting itself. The latter is always necessary and at times indispensable, but Roberts and Kitchener in South Africa have been worth to the cause of Eng-land more than an army of 50,000 men.

Los Angeles Express.

It really begins to look as if the war a South Africa was nearing the end. The triumphal advance of the British continues and the Boers seem to be unable to make the slightest stand against them. Lord Roberts is appar-ently doing his work well, and is clearing the country thoroughly as he goes forward.

Boston Herald.

The "sacred soil" of the South African Republic has not been defended with one-tenth of the courage which the Boers of the Free State have displayed in guarding their land. After the sig-nal proofs of courage which the Trans. nal proofs of courage which the Trans-vallers have given on so many battle-fields beyond their own borders, they cannot in fairness be charged with any lack of brayery, but if their military reputation depended entirely upon the miserable record which they have made within the past fortnight, they would be regarded as anything but formidable soldiers

Kansas City Star.

Utah-Idaho League

Baseball Tomorrow.

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filed notice of appropriation of the high waters of the Sevier river to irrigate land at the place called Abraham. The rservoir cost them upwards of \$70,000. In 1896 the people of Westview, seventy miles further up the river, built a canal to take water from the same river, without arrangements with previous appropriators who at the time were suffering for lack of water for irrigation. Of course as a result the shortage was increased. On this account the Descret and Leamington Irrigation companies brought suit against all the parties taking water out of the Sevier river between Descret and Westview, to determine their respective water rights.

As the case now stands, while the further hearing is pending the water from the Westview canal hus been opdered by the court shut off. Also that from the Fayette extension, which is another canal that was constructed about the same time as the Westvlew canal. This, however, is but temporary. The reason for the order is that the crops of the Deseret people are being burned up and destroyed for want of water. And they, having prior rights of appropriation, the Westview and Payette ditches having been made long sidered a reform loudly called for by after the water had been appropriated existing circumstances. There is, at all by other claimants, the court acted on the legal maxim "First in time, first in right."

It is claimed by the Westview and Fayette people that the flow of water | tional legislature. has increased greatly during the just twenty-five years, and they think that this increase belongs to the settlers according to population, and not to the original claimants. The Westview farmers declare their willingness to unite with all the parties litigant for the purpose of storing the waters of the Sevier at high water time. They believe that the Lake Bonneville site just below Fayette, would be a very suitable place for water storage and would supply at least fifteen thousand acres. This would benefit the Descret people as well as others.

These water disputes are of a kind that causes much ill feeling and many misapprehensions. The courts have ever, are disinterested, except as to the duty and desire to decide according a law and the rightful claims of the w specifye partles. Priority of rights 1. the use of water must rule in such lith gation, and this ought to be recognized. by all rational people. At the same time equity should be considered, and there should be a disposition among the people of Ulah to regard kindly the reeds of their phishbors, and to unitas far as practicable for mutual b. a fit and the welfare of the community We hope the case, which is yet underict ed, will terminate in a way that will be remarded as just and lawful by all the parties interested. Meanwhile let patience and kindness be exercised.

A FEW FINAL WORDS.

If any of our rouders care to investigate further the subject of the organi- some interposition of divine Provization of the Mormon Battalion, and the service that devoted body of volun- He must be waiting for some developteers rendered to the United. States, affording unanswerable evidence as 10 events recorded by the sacred writers the loyalty of the "Mormon" people | of ancient Israel, with whose literature to the government and their attachment to their country, we advise them to read | upon the scattered Beer forces, his defithe history of the enlistment related by | ance is unaccountable; but if he looks ** - fate Col. Thomas L. Kane, in a lec- | to the Ruler of the universe for inter-

KRUGER STILL DEFIANT.

From the dispatches, it would be imossible to form a correct idea of the future plans of the Transvaal president. He is reported to have said that the war will be continued, as long as there are 500 men in his service capable of bearing arms. He is also said to have refused to consider an alleged offer of an asylum in this country for his

burghers. From these circumstances the infernce would seem to be warranted that he still has some plan, some resources, and some hope of possible success. But s for the resources, the rest of the

rid is in complete darkness. It is true enough that the Boer army still at large, and it took the guns id supplies along, "when Pretoria was recusted. But in all human probabilithey will never be able to re-take heir cupital, or turn the tide of invasion in another direction. Lord Roberts is in a position to establish Britsh sovereignty over the Transvaal, and hep that is done, the burghers that ill may be found carrying arms will by hunted down and treated as out-

Kruger cannot be blind to the facts. And when he, notwithstanding the crushing defeats he has sustained, fifts his venerable head and breathes definnce to the irresistible force that is overpowering him, this can have but one explanation. Kruger must still be hoping-apparently against hope-for

dence in behalf of him and his people. ment, something of a nature similar to he is so familiar. If he is still relying

because she rode on a street car belong. ing to the company that is the object of the animosity of the strikers.

The experience of the woman is all the more remarkable because in this country women are generally treated with much consideration. She says as soon as she left the sar she was approached by a young man, 17 or 18 years old, who abused her for viding on the cars, and told her she deserved to be treated as a scab. A large crowd of boys, men and women gathered. They assaulted her with cries 'scah' and vile names. She was knocked down and beaten while the crowd fore off her clothing and jeezel her. Her hat was thrown to the boys and torn into shredo. Her dress and undergarments suffered the same fate. Her pocketbook, containing \$15, was wretted from her grasp and stolen. When the bruised and begrinned victim winaged to regain her feet she ran from one house to another begging shelter. but in vain. Men and women were standing in the open doorways watch. ing the scene, but they refused to give the woman a refuge. Finally, she found a little dark alleyway leading to the rear of the house at 916-918 Allen avenue. She ran 14 this alleyway and down into a dark cellar, where she

sank into a corner, hysterical from fright. Were this the story of a missionary lady who had ventured too far into the interior of China, or Thibet, it would be perfectly clear; but when it comes from an American community where Christlanity, civilization, and law are supposed to rule supreme, it is difficult to understand, or to reconcile with our high aims and claims.

This country has at sundry times been the scenes of acts of bruinlity by mobs. It is not easy to account for the frenzy that in times past has demolished the peaceful abodes of "Mormons," driven them from one place to another; hunted them to behind the prison walls and the gates of eternity. But when in our own day, American common sense can be stunned by a silly rumor, and American gallantry can turn into abuse of an unprotected girl, there is nothing fanaticism is not capable of performing. Then it is no wonder that American soll is, in places, sprinkled with the blood of martyrs. But the question becomes a serious one, whether our beasted civilization is all that is claimed for it. It has often been said that it but a thin veneer. It may be that it has worn off in spots, and

that the entire piece needs looking after and repair. Gouster, O., had a coal mine accident

today, but fortunately all but a few of the 200 men imprisoned were rescued allve.

Mr. Kruger talks of the Boers re-taking Pretoria. The retention of the cap-Ital when the burghers held it, would seem to have been the easier contract.

The Chinese trouble gets no better as a probable cause for a big war, but there is some question whether either of the great powers of Europe wants to tackle anything near its own size.

In justice to the bloyclists who behave themselves, as well as in the interest of safety to pedestrians, the city | times a better illustration of the differ-

yond the limit of the hundreds. It appears that dentists can differ as well soldiers. as doctors.

Admiral Kempff's announcement that a battle had been fought between "Boxers" and Chinese troops Thursday near Tien Tsin, and that the "Boxers" were expected to reach the city on Sat. urday, would indicate that the Chinese ed through the influence of our own Revolution. So great has been that change that the territorial aggrandize-ment of Great Britain may now be re-garded as the extension of free insti-tutions and of lawful liberty. army has been defeated; and further, that the next two or three days will witness an engagement between "Boxers" and the foreign troops who are guarding the foreigners at Tien Tsin. The situation is an anxious one.

The conference of the Mutual Improvement Associations, which is to meet on Sunday in the Tabernacle, will be a very important occasion. It will also beexceedingly interesting, not only to the associations directly concerned, but to all who desire the advancement of our young people in everything that relates to their welfare. The public are invited to attend and judging by the past assemblies of this character the present conference will be both attractive and profitable to all who are present.

It is pleasing to note that Usah was well represented at the convention of the General Federation of Woman's clubs in Milwaukee. Mrs. A. C. Ewing spoke for this State and delivered an excellent address, which was well received. She very sensibly advocated the co-operation of the sexes for the redemption of society, and also the influence of the home and the school in the same direction. Utah is to the front in all the great movements looking to the progress and elevation of humanity.



There is nothing surprising in the calm with which the report of the abandonment of the Boer campaign at Miss Margaret Anglin, Mrs. Thomas Whiffen, Mr. Wm. Courtney, Mrs. Earle Brown, Mr. Harry Spear, two cities was a foregone conclusion. When the position of the pieces on a cheesboard indicates clearly that it is all up with one of the competitors, ex-citement is not to be expected on the part of the spectators. Besides, the Miss Margaret Dale, Miss Grace Elliston, Miss Millle Day, Mr. John Findlay part of the spectators, Besides, the relief of Ladysmith and then that of 200 Nights at the Lyccum Theater, New York. Mafeking had exhausted the public enthuslasm. In the case of these two places something more than a strate-

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Johannesburg and Pretoria was re-ceived in London. The capture of the

Chicago Times-Herald.

Whether they have the orders of Presi

Chicago News.

Lord Roberts' whirlwind movements

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ay have been a surprise to the world, preceded as they were by the ineffectual

and disastrous hammering at the Poers in Natal in frontal attacks by Buller's

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