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ATTEMPTS AT BRIBERY.

The most unpleasant feature of the bitter contention over the municipal offices to be filled at the November election, is the disclosure of alleged attempts at bribery. It was stated posi-tively by reliable persons on Wednesday, that the sum of twenty-five dollars each was offered directly for proxies of delegates to Thursday's convention, and similar stories have since been in circulation. Also that this scheme having been exposed, the tactics were changed so that money was offered, contingent on votes being cast by certain delegates in the manner designated.

We hope these statements are incorrect. We refrain from mentioning names, because we are well aware that all kinds of rumors are set afloat just previous to elections, for the purpose of injuring candidates said to be implicated. It has been understood that in times past Utah was free from the influence of money illegitimately used in political affairs. This reputation we desire to see justly maintained. We are not ready to accept the stories that are now being gravely told, unless defifinite proof is offered to substantiate

them. The difficulty in probing such matters to the bottom is, that persons who claim to know all about them are un willing to have their names go with their statements, and are not as ready to come to the front with their testimony as they are to give it in private. We think it is the duty of men who are offered money for proxies or votes, or who know positively that such offers notions of the new sect, show clearly to informed persons that it has no consection with or similarity to the "Mormon" Church. The dispatch says:

"Its faith is very like that of the merican Mormons. The followers be-"Its faith is very like that of the American Mormons. The followers be-lieve that Christ was a man, but that as he led a holy life the divinity dwelt in him, and that the souls of good men are transformed at death into angels, while the souls of the wicked become beasts. They do not believe in the Bi-ble. Their apoetle is writing a revela-tion, in which work he says he was in-spired by heaven."

The faith said to be "very like that of the American Mormons," puts one in mind of the colloquy between Hamlet and Polonious: "It is very like a whale," said the courtier, when a cloud was pointed out and said to be so shaped by the Prince of Denmark. "By the mass and 'tis like a camel, indeed,' he also responded. "It is backed like a weasel," he admitted when questioned further. Its identity was thus of course established.

Since it is well known that the "Mor. nons" believe in the Godhead of Christ; that the souls of men are never transformed but always maintain their identity; and that the Bible contains the word of God and is given as an inspired guide to man, the points wherein the faith of the Berezovski are "very like that of the American Mormons" do not appear very conspicuous. But the dispatch says, also:

"The Berezovski say it is their duty to replenish the earth as fast as possi-ble with true disciples, and that this will be best accomplished by polygamy.

Here is where the fancied resemblance comes in: that is, in "the mind's eye" of the speculative but misinformed cable dispatcher. The "Mormons" are not advocating or entering into polygamy; it seems that the Berezovski are, and so the supposed similarity is completely negatived. How long is it likely to take, to make the average newspaper man, at home or abroad, comprehend the fact that "Mormonism" does NOT mean polygamy, and that polygamy as ordinarily understood, and practised in Oriental lands is not and never was a feature of the 'Mormon' system?

The misrepresentations that still pass current in religious circles for expositions of "Mormon" faith and customs, are beginning to be perceived and rejected by traveled and discriminating people, and the truth is gradually winning its way in the world. It is dawning upon the minds of intelligent men and women that the religion commonly called "Mormonism" is worthy of investigation and is a power in the earth; that it is eminently Christian in theory. practice and effects, and that it cannot be conquered by the weapons and expedients that have been heretofore aimed against it. The pulpit and the press had better change their tactics and

LYNCHING IS MURDER.

substitute reason for ridicule and facts

for fiction.

Reports of lynchings continue to disgrace the columns of our press. The latest story of mob outrage comes from Montana.

The apologists for lynch law at one time used to say that there was no adequate punishment for the unspeakable and that mob murder, consethe collections, which were quite liberal, were taken charge of by Dr. Dowle personally. He found Oakland such a profitable field that he returned later, but was unable to secure an entree to the Presbyterian church and held his "healing missions" in Hamilton Hall. A number of people of emotional dispo-sitions imagined that they had been benefited through Dr. Dowie's effector the collections, which were quite liberal quently, was to some extent justifiable. It was proved by statistics that this plea had no foundation in fact. It was shown, for instance, that in 1896, out of \$6 lynchings, the occasions for which were definitely reported, only 29 were benefitted through Dr. Dowie's efficacy in prayer, but few of his cures appear for assaults upon women. In 1897, out of 123 cases only 31 were for crimes of to have been permanent, "After his campaign in Oakland, Dowle started his Zion, combining rethis class; in 1898 the lynchings for this cause numbered only 22 out of 102; in ligion and real estate speculation in a community in Chicago, of which he appears to have been the head. This 1899 the number fell to a total of 19 out of 70; and in 1900 there were 28 out of a total of 99. These figures, however, are some time ago Mrs. Dowle went to Europe, traveling in a private car to New York and with most luxuriant apartments on the steamer. Dr. Dowle succeeded in getting himself embroiled in so many controversies with the peo-ple of Chicago that at one time he threatened to shake the dust of that modern Sodom off his feet and estab-lish Zion elsewhere. His proposed cam-paign in New York may be a prelim-inary to making New York the head-quarters of Zion in America." not the totals of lynchings for the years nentioned, but only those the provocaion of which was definitely known. If the totals are analyzed, it is proved that not more than one-fourth or onefifth of the total number of lynchings, aking one year with another, belong in the category which apologists for the practise represent as if it explained

there was no reason to suppose that the

sentence would not have been carried

out. And yet, according to the report,

about seventy-five masked men, armed

with Winchesters and shotguns, forced

their way through the rear of the jall

in the darkest portion of his cell. The

mob had already provided themselves

with a rope. This was quickly thrown

over an plectric light pole and the re-

volting deed was done. This mode of

anticipating the law is but too com-

mon, and it gives the lie to the apolo-

gists for lynchers, who plead the law's

The trouble with this kind of lawless

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in the last fourteen years than by law-

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record with that of London, which with

more than three times as great pop-

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delays.

from 96 to 191; those for rape from 25 to 37; those for manslaughter from 15 to 60. So evident is it that mob murders promote crime, instead of checking its progress.

The lynching question is not whethe: ertain criminals deserve to be stricken down by summary vengeance, but whether mohs shall be permitted to spread breadcast the germs of passion and murder, by which large numbers become infected, and the morals of the community are endangered. That is the qusetion, always overlooked by the apologists. Persons are not permitted to disseminate the germs of smallpox, or plague, among their fellowmen Those suffering from such diseases are

isolated, and treated. But the moral disease germs let loose by mobs are far more dangerous than any that come under the observation of bacteriologists. Lynching is "wilful, malicious, deliberate and premeditated murder," and it should be treated as such.

DOWIE'S HOSTS

A Chicago dispatch says Dr. Dowie's 'restoration host," 3,000 strong, was reviewed last Sunday. Each of the crusaders wore sashes of yellow, white and blue. The leader announces that he has over 3,000 persons now enrolled, and that he expects to lead 4,000 in the 'holy war" against New York.

Dowle has thoroughly drilled this 'army." They have been assigned, says the Chicago Record-Herald, to the different trains, taught all formalities necessary on each road, and instructed about tickets, gatemen and conductors. A special guide book to New York has been prepared for their use. They have all been photographed, and each one has been given a special identification card with his likeness on it, while a similar card will be on file at the New York headquarters. Rooms have been engaged for them in New York, and meals will be served to all at Madison-Square gardens. The meal tickets they can buy in advance-\$5 for some thirty or more meals. They will be provided with special knapsacks in which to carry literature when they go out for house to house work. And they will be

required to keep diarjes of their daily and hourly doings, which will be checked up when they get home. All this is interesting, as showing the executive ability of the man, and accounting for the seeming success that has attended his peculiar efforts. A

man who has the ability to attend to minute defails, can hardly fail in his purposes, unless they aim at the impossible The following data about the noted leader are from a recent number of the Oakland. Enquirer:

Dr. Dowie, who has attained considerable prominence in Chicago by his eccentric methods in combining busi-ness with religion, in a most profitable manner, is not a stranger in Oakland, where he made his advent a number of years ago from New Zealand. At that time he took advantage of ac-qualitance with some prominent Oak-landers who formerly resided in New Zealand and who were active members

of the Presbyterian church, to secure that edifice in which to conduct a so-called healing mission. It was cer-tainly one of the mest unique "religious campaigns" which that edifice had ever seen, and many of the members of the church were quite shocked at Dr. Dowie's performances. Incidentally,

onterprise was evidently profitable, tome time ago Mrs. Dowie went

the truth, but no mistake will be made if they are prosecuted and given full punishment for the break. This much is very certain.

Professor Harry Thurston Peck of Columbia university holds that Amercans do not amount to much. In a recent address at that university, he said: "The American has infinite intelligence and very little wisdom; a swarm of clever notions, but very few ideas; he achieves inventions, but he falls short of true creation: he is a master of makeshifts, a very prince of patchwork." The profesor should not judge others by himself.

A man of eighty odd years died in New York city last week, leaving written on a small sheet of paper the 21lowing: "Personal memoirs. At the age of thirty I gave up dancing; at forty my endeavors to please the fair sex; at fifty my regard of public opinion; at sixty the trouble of thinking, and I have now become a true sage, or an egotist, which is the same thing. I have never meddled in any marriages or scandals; I have never recommended a cook or a physician, consequently I have never attempted the life of anyone." How few men leave so good a record behind them! What epitaph upon stone could give him better praise than this?

CARDINAL GIBBONS.

Springfield Republican. Hitherto [Cardinal Gibbons] has de-clined to say anything about the likeliclined to say anything about the inter-hood of more American cardinals, and it is possible that the new pope, who took great pains during the American primate's stay in Rome after the conclave to consult him as to the condition of the church here, may have given him some further intimations as to his in-tentions. The cardinal did not, how-ever, go further and express any views ever, go further and express any views as to the probability of taking this country out of the parters infidellum in which it yet reposes, though it has grown so important that many church-men regard it as the strongest part of the church. One thing seems sure—that the advance of the American idea, as it is called, must work a change in the Roman machine. Let the Episcopalians note that Cardinal Gibbons assumes both "the American Catholic church" and "the Catholic church of the Unit-ed States"—each of which have been proposed as a substitute for the present title of "the Protestant Episcopal title of "the Protestant Episcopa church in the United States"—as al-ready the property of his communion.

Kansas City Star.

Kansas City Star. It may be supposed that Cardinal Gibbons was not talking in the air when he expressed the belief, Sunday, that America would have several rep-resentatives in the next conclave. At present the representation of the Unit-ed States in the Sacred College is ab-surdly inadequate in view of the size and importance of its Catholic popula-tion. The appointment of other Amer-ican cardinals would give the religious and theological tendencies peculiar to this country greater weight in the and theological tendencies peculiar to this country greater weight in the councils of the church. There would be a corresponding gain in American influence in the choice of the next pope. Since Cardinal Gibbons is on exceed-ingly good terms with Pius X, his pre-diction will generally be taken as an afficuancement of the settled policy of the new pontiff. the new pontiff.

THE POSTAL INVESTIGATION. Milwaukee Wisconsin.

The thoroughness of the postoffice department investigation is demonstrated by the number and the caliber of the men against whom indictments have been found. Postmaster-General Payne's work has been well done, as



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have been made, to hold themselves ready to give evidence of the crime anywhere and everywhere when required.

It is clear to every right minded citizen, that no one who will sell his proxy, or vote as desired for money, is fit to be a delegate in a convention or to hold a public office. And the same may be said, emphatically, of every individual who engages in such bribery, whether in person or by agent. We hope that no such infamy will attach to our election affairs in this city, and that if it does, complete exposure will follow and the responsible offenders will be thoroughly exposed and fitly punished. Let the purity of the ballot be maintained, in caucus, in convention and at the polls!

Since the foregoing was put in type, further particulars have been received. A definite statement has been made by one of the candidates for the office of Mayor that cannot be passed by in sllence. It will be found in another part of this paper. It is a most startling announcement. The gentleman who made it is a business man of established reputation, looked upon by all parties and classes as reliable, and whatever opinions may be had as to his qualifications for the important office to which he has been encouraged to aspire, no one that we have heard of has questioned his general character in the world of trade. He certainly would not have disclosed the attempt to bribe him if it were not true.

The full details, with names and places, of the now current alleged use of money to carry the convention in a certain way, ought to be brought out. It is a case for the prosocuting attorneys and the courts. If men who utter the accusations set afloat will not voluntarily tell who is trying to bribe delegates and endeavoring by corrupt methods to obtain control of this city they should be brought into court by legal process and required to give testimony under oath concerning the offences freely talked about in private and in public.

We think this is a matter that concerns all honorable citizens of every shade of opinion and faith. We want an honest administration of public affairs. A boodle city government would be a calamity the extent of which cannot now be told. The whole community should rise against it. It must not be tolerated. A universal protest should go up forbidding it, and the voice of the people should not only be heard in the air, but be effectually emphasized if necessary at the polls.

WHERE'S THE RESEMBLANCE?

ulation as the State of North Caro'ins, A special cable dispatch to a Chicago and with its cosmopolitan and het.ropaper from St. Petersburg, states that geneous population, had last year but 20 murders. The attionney-general's a new sect of Russian Mormons called Berezovski is making tremendous headway along the banks of the Voiga." We all the lynchings that had taken place do not know anything about the sect in North Carolina, the orimes for which thus mentioned except that which is murderers were lyached in twelve contained in the dispatch, but we do years had marly doubled. The figures know that there is no organization of | for 1859 and 1890 as compared with those "Mormons" along the banks of the Vol- for 1901 and 1902 were as follows: In-

Driven to the wall by the presenta-The best fountain of youth yet distion of such facts, the apologists pleadovered is the pension list. ed the law's delays as a provocation of nob murder; but that, too, had been

The goose that lays the golden egg is usually the over-trusting public. proved to be without solid foundation. In the Montana case, the victim had An exchange says that "divorce is been duly convicted and sentenced, and

quarters of Zion in America.

infectuous." It also seems to be defectuous. It will be rather odd if some one beddes the captors of Lynch does not put in a claim for the reward.

Another advance has been made in and overpowered the jailer. Then they the price of crude oll and rough diasoon found Jackson, who was cringing monds, both necessaries of life. wretch pleaded piteously for mercy, Since the new silver coin began to but was rushed out into the street. The

flow into the Philippines, the Filipinos are becoming quite pesomistic, The advance in the price of rough dlamonds is justified on the grounds

that a diamond in the rough is a diamond still.

Those who saw Haworth in that sabin and did not take him in, should remember that virture is its own reward.

tugiousness. It grows and fosters more When Dowle's "restoring host" reach rime." Chief Justice Clark of North Carolina has necently, from the beach New York, to whom are they going to restore Manhattan Island, the Dutch spoken words of wisdom on this subleet. He said that more men had been or the Indiana?

> How different the Dowle pilgrimage to New York from that led by Peter the Hermit. Peter tramped it while John ocs in a private car.

A man who will cast a vote at a priwary when he is not entitled to, will stuff a ballot box if he gets a chance. Let no such man be trusted.

llo it's leve majeste in Bavaria for a first to object to a portrait of the emread in a decollete dress. Already the minel is a good man but henceforth he will be a wiser one.

"What certain authorities evidently think the city should always have is a council willing to take counsel." says a morning contemporary. Well, that is better than a council that is willing to take bribes,

If given immunity from prosecution for the fail delivery, last Friday, the ga, and the following description of the 'dictments for murder had increased 'convicts concerned might possibly tell

the cople who knew him were confi from the first that it would be The vigorous investigation will be fol lowed by a vigorous prosecution. Ex-amples will be made that will stand as warning against evil-doing for years

Chicago Record-Herald.

It is almost six months since the first hints reached the public of the scan-dals in the administration of the postoffice department. The investigation, which has been in charge of Fourth As-sistant Postmaster-General Bristow, has now reached its close. The ramihas now reached its close. The rami-fications of many plots to defraud the government have been traced, and some thirty persons have been indicted on bribery or conspiracy charges.

Shakespeare's Immortal Tragedy

Seat Sale Opens Friday at 10 a. m.

New York Mail and Express. Above all the indictments that have seen found in and out of the postoffice department, aside from all the reforms wrought or planned, there looms large the one most valuable lesson of the inquiry into the postal frauds. That les-son is that hereafter the postmastergeneral should be appointed to be the postmaster-general, and not primarily and not primarily to perform other functions.

