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is this year conferred on the Hon. Richard C. Kerens of St. Louis.
The Catholic public of America is pretty well acquainted with the institution and significance of the Laetare medal. Its inception two decades ago may be traced to "The Golden Rose," a gift blessed by the Pope on mid-Sunday of Lent, or Laetare Sunday, and usually presented to a member of royalty in recognition of the recipient's extraordinary virtue, piety and philanthropy.

meaning of the word "peace." The Millennial day is just commencing to dawn.
The prevalence of peace will come, when mankind is sufficiently prepared for it. But it means the readjustment of all political affairs of the world according to the principles of right and justice. It is not possible as long as weaker nations are in bondage to those who are stronger. National grievances must be settled equitably and satisfactorily. It also means an omnipotent and all-wise government, more perfect than any ever devised by man. For only under such a government can the strong be restrained from taking advantage of the weaker, and endangering the peace. Universal peace is possible only when God Himself rules the earth, and His will is done here as it is in heaven. But such a time will come. For He who died on Calvary lives, and to Him will eventually all power, all glory, and dominion be given.

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TWO POINTS OF VIEW.
Some of our contemporaries have taken exception to a statement made some time ago by the Deseret News, to the effect that the world is largely indebted to men once classed as law-breakers, for its advancement. But the truth of this proposition remains. It is almost self-evident. What would civilization have been but for such law-breakers as a Weyliffe, Huss, Luther, Savonarola, Washington, John Brown and a host of others? But we are told that:

HAD BETTER REFORM.
The Idaho Statesman does not seem to receive much support in its anti-Mormon attitude. One of its striking failures was its assault upon H. S. Woolley as assayer of the mint, on the ground that he was or had been a "Mormon" Bishop, and was supposed to have used "Church influence" in the Idaho senatorial election. Many papers in the State are making fun of the Statesman, and the following in the North Idaho Star voices the views of people and papers of both political parties:

Ogden Standard.
It seems as though the radicals who started the agitation against Reed Smoot have over-reached themselves. At first they brought such manifestly false charges against him that they were easily disproven and then they showed that the sensationalists were not sincere in their attack on Smoot but only wished to arouse an agitation which would in the end awaken the old-time antagonism between the factions of the people in Utah.

THE GENERAL CONFERENCE.
The Seventy-Fourth Annual Conference of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will be held in the Tabernacle, Salt Lake City, on Sunday, April 3, Monday, April 4, and Wednesday, April 5, commencing each day at 10 a. m. A general attendance of the officers and members is requested and expected.

Exactly. In other words, they were "prophets," if the term be permitted in this connection, whom their own generation condemned, but on whose graves later generations erected monuments. And history will be repeated. Some "law-breakers" of one generation will always be the heroes of another. It all depends on the point of view. In the estimation of his judges, Huss was the victim of his own ignorance and stubbornness; so was Savonarola, and others. It is in the view of later times only that these men are martyrs.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS.
The April Success is a very attractive magazine. A prominent feature of it is an illustrated article by Walter Wellman on the Presidential possibilities of 1904. Another interesting article is by Cleveland Moffet on "The Sense and Nonsense About Radium." The magazine is published by the National Book Company, 100 N. 3rd St., New York.

Sacramento Bee.
An exchange which is perferred to have the senate of the United States smite the Mormon Church by kicking Reed Smoot out of the senatorial fold. He is unfit to sit in that august body because he has been in close social relations with Joseph Smith, president of the Mormon Church, an admitted polygamist.

A general Priesthood meeting will be held in the Tabernacle on Monday evening, April 4, at 7 o'clock.
A special Priesthood meeting will be held in the Assembly Hall, Tuesday, April 5, at 10 o'clock a. m.
A religion class convention will be held in the Barratt hall on Tuesday, April 5, at 2 o'clock p. m.

There is no comparison between the Son of God, and His humble followers, but since this day is generally observed as the anniversary of His death on the cross, as a malefactor, the remark is pertinent, that His crucifixion was not secured except after some kind of a judicial hearing. The accusations against Him were many. They said He was in league with the Evil One. That was a capital offense. He had broken the Sabbath, a crime punishable by death, according to the law at that time. He had cleared the Temple ground; Rebellion against ecclesiastical authority! He had been proclaimed Messiah, King of the Jews; Rebellion against Rome! And, finally, He proclaimed Himself the Son of God. Blasphemy! they said. And so He died, rejected, a highway robber being preferred to Him. That was the world's estimation of His Savior. Would it be otherwise, were He to appear today, as He did then? Let history, which has placed on record the fate of His followers in all ages, answer.

Maxwell's Tailsman for March is devoted to subjects of special interest to home builders in this country. It has articles on "Great National Irrigation Works," "The Public Domain," "Fruit Canning," "Co-operative Colonization," "Health from Nature," and "Simulations."—1709 Fisher building Chicago, Ill.

The April number of The Burr McIntosh Monthly is the anniversary number of that successful magazine. It contains no less than over a dozen panel pictures, photographs of prominent characters in the views, and dramatic world, panoramic illustrations. The other first class illustrations, descriptive text, and the number is in every respect one that will be appreciated by the lovers of art.—34 W. 53rd St., New York.

DO NOT WANT CHILDREN.
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TOUCHING OUR FLAG.
News from the seat of war is scarce and stale, but it appears that an incident has just been concluded at New Chung, which might have had serious consequences. The particulars are not known, but the brief statement has been cabled by a correspondent of the London Times, that the American flag was hauled down by Russian order, and that, immediately afterwards it was raised, with apologies. That ends the incident. No harm was done.

Justice Holmes is being praised and blamed alternately for dissenting in the Merger case. But what's the use of being the son of The Autocrat if he cannot do as he chooses?

ALL the Latter-day Saints in the northeastern district of this city should meet in the Assembly Hall at 7:30 this evening, to participate in the organization of the new Stake of Zion.

A DESERVED HONOR.
The people of Utah have become familiar with the name of Richard C. Kerens of St. Louis, Mo., through his prominent association with Senators W. A. Clark, Thos. Kearns and others in the promotion of the San Pedro, Los Angeles and Salt Lake railroad, and his visits to this city, where he was always welcome. The Inter-Mountain Catholic calls attention to an article which it reproduces from the Notre Dame Scholastic, giving a brief history of the gentleman, and a statement concerning an honor that will be bestowed upon him which will be better understood by our Catholic friends than by the general public; it is this:

Mr. Bryan, the other day, preached a sermon at New Haven, Conn., which is well worth repeating. He deprecated the prevalence of training boys and the young men in the arts of warfare. The young men that man ought to wage, said he, is the warfare against evil in all its forms. Then he reverted to the danger of class hatred, and closed by saying:

Mr. Meyer, of the Western Federation of Miners, has learned that the reason and justification for his incarceration is "military necessity." After a while he may learn that in the midst of arms the laws are silent.

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How much better to recognize that all are brothers. Recognition of that doctrine will not rob life of bravery; it will not make us cowards, for it takes a brave man to live righteously before men in the strenuous world of today; it requires a brave man to stand up against error and to maintain a righteous principle.

That is the kind of doctrine that must be preached today. But it will find fewer true adherents than the doctrine of class-hatred. It is easier to stir a multitude by a "crown-of-thorns" simile, than by an appeal against the depraved instincts of mankind. Peace has been preached upon the earth these long centuries, since angels hailed the advent of Him who gave His life for the prevalence of that cause both in heaven and on earth, but mankind has only just commenced to realize the

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