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DOES THIS CAP FIT YOU?

We have been naked by several non-"Mormons" which candidate for Mayor the Church was going to favor in this elty election. We supposed at first that they were querying humorously and jeering at the insinuation published by deceivers that, just before election, the Church authorities would pass the word along and so the election would surely be decided. But to our surprise they claimed to be serious, and actually appeared to believe that this was the course likely to be pursued.

All our assurances that every mem ber of the Church is absolutely free to vole according to personal choice, seemed to be in vain with the inquirers, and we marveled at the belief which sensible men entertained on this question We can only repeat the assurance that they are mistaken. There are no Church candidates for municipal office. No instructions or orders, or commands, or hints, or intimation of the kind imagined, either one way or another, are sent out from the presiding authorities that we know anything about. Our friends have been deceived, if they really think that the tales that have been told them on this subject are correct.

Bui, in answer to this, some of them avow that such intimations are already in use and are being circulated with diligence and vigor. We hope this Is not true. If it is, some persons are doing very disreputable work. They are trying to mislead the uninformed and are misrepresenting the Church Isaders. The charge is made as to both aides of the contest. It makes no difdefensible method of gaining support It is wrong and ought to defeat its own purpose. Over-zealous partizans should be checked by free citizens when they use such tactics and be treated with

Supporters of either ticket have the undoubted right to set forth fairly the merits of candidates and their fitness for public office. The claims of party, too, are not improper to urge, more pertmently, however, we think, in national affairs. But these purported deceptions, implicating interference by ecclesiastical authorities, are unworthy of any decent citizen however strong a partisan he may be. Let voters exerclse their own-judgment and good sense in supporting candidates. Bring forth sound argument and strong reason, but do not attempt to away theh minds by influences that ought not to be exercised, and that no one has the right to assume as coming from Church

ISN'T THIS RIGHT?

The most important project for the benefit of Salt Lake City and its future growth and prosperity, is the measure in practical progress for the full water supply from the Cottonbusiness man and every other citizen really desirous of the public westure tion calling itself "American," Every obstacle possible to be inbrirated by placed in the way of the enterprise bination in league to empiare the city, from the inception of the plan. When other plots against it have failed lmaginary bindrances have been set forth as though they were real, and the mouth-orang of that motion has made nid deceive folics who do not take

yet devised to winder this city secure domestic life and progress of a growing

objections, and raising burriers, and inventing fulge reports, to hinder and if possible destroy the splendid work now in progress for which the prople have voted a million dollars in bonds! Every individual who does not stand gor the promotion of the acherne to

bring in the waters needful for the donestle and public uses of the city, is infit for municipal office of any kind, and is an enemy to the public welfare. tow any bona fide offizen can allow himself to be led away, by the current lup-trup of the promoters of the facion that makes war upon the water project, is something that no rational aplauation can make plain, but fills the candid mind with wonder and dismy. The water project is the one thing needful for the city; let all who light it be snowed under by the ballots of the voterst

THE LAST DAY.

The last day on which citizens can register so as to be qualified to vote at the city election in November, will be next Tuesday, Oct. 31. No one Is affilled to register who is not 21 years of age and a citizen of the United States, and who will not have been prior to election day a bona fide resitent of the State for one year, of Salt Lake county four months, and of this city sixty days. Persons who are already registered in the district wherein they reside need not register again for this election. It is very important that every duly qualified citizen, male and female, be registered so as to be able to vote this year. It is equally imregister or vote who is not legally qualified to do so, for the law is yery suphatic on this point, and the penalties for unlawful registration and voting are imperative and severe, and they should and doubtless will be vigorously suforced. Don't forget, next

A NARROW ESCAPE.

President Roosevelt, It appears, had a sarrow escape from an accident that to abundon it. It is explained that the bility for this misunderstanding belongs, is not stated. It cannot have been due to incompetency on the part of the officers or crew of the boat carrying the Presidential party. For incompetent sallors cannot have been entrusted with the mission of taking care of such passengers,

But, no matter who is to blame for the collision, the people of the United States are congratulating themselves, as well as the President and those with him, on the escape from an untimely death. The country can ill spare the services of their Executive who, through the pursiance of a wise and vigorous polley, has made himself as famous abroad as he is popular at

We can well believe that this adventure will still more intensify the enthusbarn of the Southerners in their reception of the distinguished visitor. To the expressions of personal regard for him and foyatty to the exulted position he holds, they will add their sincere congratulations and well-wishes for his future safety, and in this they entire nation,

THE THRONE REFUSED.

King Oscar, it is announced, has definitely declined the offer of the Norwegian throne, in behalf of any member of his family. In so doing he has followed the dictates of "honor," rather than the considerations of statesmanship, but his decision will be one more leaf in the laurel wreath, with which history will surely adorn the temples of this king of kings. By this act he has proved his sincerity and the utter absence of mercenary motives from his

As far as can be judged at this distance, the Swedish people generally apsit on the Norwegian throne, he would radicals would never weary of talking about "Swedish influence," "Swedish intrigues," etc., and there is no reason for believing that the rule of any Norweglen king will be enduring. Such are the considerations that led to the re-

It may be of interest at this time to wealf the fact, that King Oscar has alby the Norweglans. In a letter which recently appeared in a Norwegian pul-

-fluce is none whom we would rathe nove for our king. King Opens has al-ways been loved it Natway. It is only the infortunate and impossible could ofter the event of June the seventh he expressed aimself in pretty strong lan-mage. This was perfectly natural But his noble address from the throne

ent a visit to Gloevik a year ago, is

le. is indeed a true father of his ry.' And the king spoke so feel, about life great angestor, the

culiar feelings that we now read these words, and remamber the warm, beartfelt meeting between king and people. May we not be allowed to see in this bright summer day, when King Oscar's

The Norwegians, it will be seen, have nothing against the king personally; nor against his official acts. They have simply concluded that they do not want to continue the partnership with Sweden any longer. And this has been agreed on Sweden concluding that the union was not worth a murderous war. Only, the Swedes say, the separation must be complete, and the responsibilly for any future result must rest where it belongs. That is the meaning, we take it, of the refusal of the king of the throne, in behalf of his house.

CHURCH- AND POLITICS.

The leaders of the movement for church federation have been severely criticised for refusing to fraternize with Dr. Edward Everett Hale, Dr. Samuel A. Ellot and former Governor Long of Massachusetts, because they are Unitarians. They now explain that the adverse criticism is due to "misunderstanding" of the movement. The whole matter, they say, is one to be considered from practical, rather than sentimental viewpoints. Over a score of religious bodies, with 18,000,000 communicants, have named delegates to the conference. It is the general opinion of religious leaders that portant that no one shall attempt to no such rallying of Christian hosts would have been nossible had other than conservative methods prevailed In the inception of the movement. We think there is less misunder-

standing about the matter than the exclusionists may suppose. The action of excluding these man on account of their religious views is equivalent to branding them as "heretics." It is to tell them that they are "non-evangelfeat," outside the pale of Protestantism. One pastor explains that the object of the Evangelical faith is to spread the belief in and acceptance of Jesus, the Christ, as the savior of the world. Therefore, he argues, it can readily be seen that any system denylag the divinity of the Christ would be totally incompatible and a subversion of the object of this federation. He classes the Unitarians among those who deny the divinity of Jesus. There is no room for misunderstanding the significance of the exclusion. It means that bigotry again inspires its victims to stand alouf and thank God for not being as other men,

As we have pointed out before, the movement is one of political significance rather than religious. Dr. R. Thomas is, by the Providence Journal, quoted as having expressed the opinion "that if the churches of this country were organized politically they could "break slates and dominate partles." This is just the experiment that is about to be made. And, as it was thought desirable to form as powerful a combination as possible, it was deemed necessary to exclude Unitarians, Catholies, and others against which there is strong popular prejudice.

The American God-inspired institutions need friends and defenders today, if ever. All around are hostile forces which are but waiting for opportunities to assail them. A combination of intolerant church people for the purpose will but interpret the sentiments of the of "breaking states" and "dominating parties" cortainly is such a force. The court that excludes, in the beginning, n unpopular sect, shows how it will work out its future plans. The hypocrites who for so long a time have falsely accused the Latter-day Saints of bringing Church influence to bear upon politics, may yet have to learn by experience what such mixture of interests is. But, when that time comes, the Saints will be found, where they always have been, on the side of the Constitution and the laws of the land.

Only a short time ago, at the Rock River conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, resolutions were adopted which referred to the granting of religious liberty in South American countries and urged that the President exercise his good offices to secure the co-operation of Germany and England with the United States in the interest of religious liberty in every land. It seems to us that the most immediate need is some influence among the church members in this country, in the interest of perfect toleration, and that religious freedom which is, by the law, recognized as one of the inalienable rights of man. We need champions of liberty who are as jealous of the rights and privileges of others, as of their own. Let no one, who demands liberty only for himself, while he is indifferent to the rights of his fellow-beings, delude himself by the notion that he is a follower of the great Nazarene.

The height of folly-a thirty-story

High finance and high flying seem from to go together.

The Harvard Bulletin has come out against brutal football. The world do

It looks as though the dance in St. Petersburg would be opened with ball

land at \$5 a bottle proved to contain

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and noble an expression, a prophecy of | do not believe that "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches."

> Cunliffe having pleaded gullty the punishment will be made to suit the crime, the stolen money having been found in a suit case.

> The Kalser tells his officers to keep their powder dry and their swords whetted. Unlike Cromwell, he does not tell them to trust in God. P

Mr. Cleveland will stay in Nebraska couple of weeks for the purpose of resting. He would not feel like doing this were not Mr. Bryan in Japan.

The President had a very narrow cscape on the Magnolla, and the country is thankful he did escape what might have been a very serious accident. Czar Nicholas says he is weary of

the struggle. No one can blame him

for he has a harder time than all the

rest of the monarchs of Europe put to-And now it is suggested that the New Mork Life Insurance company may have a private investigation. That's right; and charge the cost to "legal

Realizing that "uneasy lies the head that wears a crown," King Oscar definitely and formally refuses the offer of the Norwegian throne to a prince of the house of Bernadotte.

Senator John W. Daniel of Virginia is working steadily on the writing of the memoirs of Gen. Jubel A. Early, the distinguished Confederate leader. He works Early and late on them. The chief objection to the men em-

ployed on the Cottonwood conduit

seems to be that they work with pick and shovel and not with their jaws How the professional labor agitator does hate a genuine hard-working la-The National Teachers' association

cannot do better than to select this city in which to hold its next convention. All would be welcome, all would receive every attention, all would be delighted. We sincerely hope the convention will be held here,

Pioneer Stake Conference Sunday in the new Stake hall on Fifth South between West Temple and First West streets at 10 a. m. Relief Society Conference in the same place at 6:30 p. m. The afternoon session will be held in the Tabernacle at 2 p. m.

Rector Andrew Carnegie wants the girl students at St. Andrews university to cut their hair for sanitary reasons but not to give up their long-haired ways. They will never do it, for no girl can cut her hair close and retain her long-haired ways any more than Samson could lose his locks and keep his strength.

Some of the Presbyterians of Kentucky have decided to donate every egg their chickens lay on Sundays, to the mission. This decision was not arrived at without some discussion in which the subject of "tainted money" came as urged by some that money obtained for eggs laid on the Sabbath was not altogether "pure." But the objection was overruled. What is Christianity coming to, anyhow?

ON RELIGIOUS TOPICS.

Christian Register. Christianity is not in danger. A re-ligion which has lived so long, and which has gone through so much, will adapt itself to changing circumstances and will survive the wreck of the creeds which pass current under its name. But Christianity will cease to be advo-But Christianity will cease to be advo-cated by wise men as the only true re-ligion in a world in which false relig-ions have flourished from the beginning of time. In our opinion, Christianity in Oriental lands will strengthen itself and increase its influence when it rec-ognizes the just claims of other religions as being in some measure expon-ents of divine truths. Sagacious orthodox theologians recognize the fact that in Japan the tendency is towards Unitarianism. The explanation of that fact is that Unitarians met them on their own ground with sympathy and the offer to give and take according to the merits of the religions represented by Unitarians and by Japanese. Chris-tians must recognize the fact that mor-al progress is possible outside of Christianity. Then the sole question will be: How can we best stimulate moral progress and maintain it?

London Magazine.

One of John Bull's greatest treasures is simply a four-volume book, worth over £300,000, even though many pages of it are missing. The "Codex Alexandrinus," the book in question, is in the British Museum, and consists of the Old and New Testaments in Greek manuscript, dating from the fifth cen-

Wm. Rader, San Francisco Bulletin. The religion of the people is a very practical religion. It strikes straight at practical religion. It strikes straight at the root of the tree. No longer does the preacher of today, if he be the right kind of a preacher, bother about theories which are speculative. He deals with the tremendous realities of life. This is a hopeful sign of the times, The President of the United States has become the great American evangelist, calling men to repentance. He is the A quack "cancer" cure sold in Eng-tand at \$5 a bottle proved to contain majorial worth, at most, 4 cents, Some of the life insurance presidents

with material prosperity. The dollar is the crown all would seek. The result is that we have been committing the sins of piracy and covetousness. been devouring one another in the name of business. It is this spirit which has been described by the term graft.

New York Churchman, Trinitarianism against which the Unitarians raised their early protest was practically if not really Tritheism, and so their unorthodoxy is not wholly without historic excuse. It is precisely by association such as federation attempts that these Unitarians who have appalled true to the original teachings. emained true to the original teachings of their founders, and who insist that they are Christians, however faulty be their profession of faith, can be won to a fuller perception of the truth. It is quite true that two cannot walk to-gether unless they be agreed, but it is also true that many an agreement has come from being willing to walk

The Outlook.

Our politicians are very weary of talking about the "sacred rights of the people," although there is no country in which these rights are more flagrant smelt these rights are more hagrantly violated. Our offences are rank and
smelt to heaven because we protest so
much; our infidelities are the more
damnable because we profess such a
lofty faith. The time has come for
frankness with ourselves and the world;
if we cannot be decent, let us at least
be truthful. Let us niver ourselves. be truthful. Let us purge ourselves of dishonesty and hypocrisy and be what we pretend to be; or let us preach squarely the doctrine of greed and success without scruples and keep on do-ing what we are now doing. Let United States senators stop talking about national ideals, or let them cease to disgrace the country by corrupting legislatures, dividing profits with land syndicates, and accepting from corpora-tions salaries which they have not carned; it is time for them to make their choice; the country is in no mood to stand further hypocrisy. It demands that the thieves take their hands off the sacred things of the nation; let them ply their trade if they must, but let them forbear to touch with polluted speech the ideals, the aspirations, and the hopes of the nation; they have done their best to destroy these things.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

The Black Cat for November has six The Black Cat for November has six short stories, one of which is a prize composition. The titles are: "A Story in Clay," "Cupid's Rummage Sale;" "Granny;" "At Briny Ranch," "The Reincarnation of Brid Warner," and "The Greatest Nonsense in the World."—144 High St., Boston.

Wayside Tales for November has a number of short stories, and many special articles on topics of interest. The illustrations are fine, especially the art gallery that forms the first part of the magazine.—Manhattan Building.

The following are among the features of Recreation for November: "The Mystery of the Blue Goose," Dan Beard: "Retaliation," verse, Irene Pomeroy Shields: "The Road to the Sea," verse, Grace Barton Allen: "Loose Fang, the Grizziy," Arthur H. Martley; "Indian Summer," verse, Jeannette Helm: "The Way of the Skunk," G. William Beebe; "My Friend the Toad," Dan Beard; "A Hunter's Method of Toting Deer," John Boyd, and "Pennsylvania Beaver," Harry Dillon Jones.—23 West Twenty-fourth street, New York.

Outdoors for October has for frontispiece a striking picture of two little Mexican girls, photograph by G. F. Paul. The leading article is "The Flight of the Airship Toledo," by William P. McLean. Other features are: "After Deer in the Adirondacks." John Davis Anderson: "In Search of the Foe: A Morning With Our Wayside Enemies," Grace E. Cross, M.D.; "Following the Trail of the Serpent," Allen Samuel Williams: "Camn Comfort len Samuel Williams: "Camp Comfort at Poke-o-Moonshine," Miles Moore-croft; "Slide Mountain in the Beautiful Catskills," H. G. Gager; "A San Francisco Comedy, W. E. S. Fales; "A Vacation Memory," Carl Werner, and many others. The illustrations are very fine and lend interest to the magazine.—159 Fifth Ave., New York.

The superb summer home of Mr. Murry Guggenheim, at Hollywood, N. J., forms the subject of the leading article of American Homes and Gardens for November. Other houses described and illustrated are the "Studio of John P. Cuyled" at Princeton N. L. ens for November. Other houses described and illustrated are the "Studio of John P. Cuyled," at Princeton, N. J.; "The Needles," the country house of Mrs. B. P. Cheney, at Peterboro, N. H.; "Craigston," the house of T. C. Hollander, at Wenham, Mass., and the house of Daniel F. Girma, at Plainfield, N. J. The general articles include an instructive account of "Transplanting Growing Trees," by Charles Day; "The Fattening of Fowls in France," by Jacques Boyer; "A Group of Fire Irons in 'Dreamworld';" "Utilizing the Cellar in Winter," by Geo. Ethelbert Walsh, and "The Cultivation of the Morel." The usual departments of "Civic betterment," "The Garden," 'The Observer's Notebock," "New Books," etc., are very interesting, The number is beautifully illustrated.—Munn & Co., 361 Broadway, New York.

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