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AN APPRECIATED SOUVENIR.

Readers of the "News" will remember by reason of the number then published in those columns the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the reign of King Oscar of Sweden and Norway in September of last year. The church, the Swedish and Norwegian Societies of the State and the "News" itself had a representative present on the occasion in the person of J. M. Sjodahl, the editorial department of this paper. He conveyed to the King and upon an address of greeting and congratulation from the First Presidency, also a very elegant and elaborate gift in the shape of an ears casket, appropriately inscribed, together with an excellent bound volume of the Book of Mormon. Brother Sjodahl had an audience with his majesty on the 22d of that month, and it is few words defined the nature of his errand, whereupon the presentations were made, as stated, and feeling replies of thanks and appreciation being received. The ears are to exist way preciption and preserve.

On Monday Brother Sjodahl was the recipient of a goodsized package, on opening which he discovered a handsome bound volume. It had come all the way from Sweden and was a present from the generous monarch. It is a complete period of the formal proceedings during the jubilee and contains much other matter of interest, in the Swedish language. Among the matters of detail set out are the visit of the Dish representatives, his speech and the king's response, together with the features of the presentation. The book contains some 600 pages, printed on strong, clear paper, the letter-press and general design being equal to any ever produced in any part of the world. The receiver naturally feels pleased not only with the gift itself, but the thoughtful and kindly event which prompted it, a event which seems to find expression in the broad, massive, intellectual countenance of the king the picture of which forms the frontispiece of the book, and the warmth, benevolence and charm of character further along. Intrinsically, also, the volume is quite valuable.

King Oscar II after a peaceful reign of twenty-five years has the satisfaction of knowing that he is enthroned in the hearts of his subjects as few of his predecessors have been. The beginning of this century dawned dark and threatening upon the two Scandinavian countries. It was then seriously a question whether the devastating forces of war should be allowed to continue to hold sway, or whether the spirit of peace should be invited to dwell in the homes of the people. Bernadotte was a statesman. He chose peace. He gave every possible attention to the industries of the country and became the patron of arts and sciences, and it did not take long before the policy produced prosperity. Old wounds and wars, the marks of awful struggles, were healed and new national life was the result.

The policy was strongly adhered to by Oscar I and Charles XV, and also by the present incumbent of the dual throne, to whom it was given at the close of the century to demonstrate to the world that peace has its victories no less renowned than those of war. The above mentioned jubilee exhibited in the jubilee, the sentiments of congratulation. From true and far, from princes and rulers, from the standard bearers of science and of religion, from private individuals and from corporations were a tribute to him by the personal popularity of the king and the queen than to the success of their rule of peace even at the sacrifice sometimes of personal preferences and ambitions.

FULL LIBERTY.

William A. Wood dating his Europeanism tour has found out that Italy is governed by the so-called policy of religious liberty adopted by the United States. It this is true, it is probably due to the influence exerted by the Catholic church in that country. Politically speaking, Italy has nothing to be ashamed of. She has an alliance entered into by the expressed wishes of any country. Her national aspirations were unanimously received by the King of the Abyssinians. From an ecclesiastical point of view it is conceivable that the Italians should view with alarm the separation of any country yet placed to the support of the Catholic. For even to the most devout Catholics the creed of American principles cannot in reality be a source of fear.

Religious toleration will be the rule in Cuba and Porto Rico and the Philippines, and wherever the American flag flaits Catholic churches and Catholics whose will not be molested. Derived of the support of the state they will depend on their own excellence for success in the competition with other religious denominations. This will make better qualified priests and teachers. So it does in the United States and Great Britain, and the Catholics themselves in the late Spanish colonies will be the gainers.

The question of religious liberty in the newly acquired territories is one of great importance. Unfortunately efforts will be made to pierce for the dominant church privileges and prerogatives not enjoyed by others. The American people instituted the experiment in order to establish liberty. Let it be remembered that national religious liberty is given full scope, political liberty is impossible. Each person of the life pursued must be allowed to pursue and kept free, they, as one, the object for which patriots bled and died in fully obtained.

EXCITEMENT ON ROBERTS.

The Chicago Record-Herald is a live, up-to-date paper published in Chicago. In its issue of Nov. 28 it undertook to put a little salt on the tail of Mr. C. H. Roberts.

"It was Representative Roberts who so carefully explained to the House of Representatives, December 11 (Congressional Record, page 12), that the Mormon Church is not a church, but a political organization, and that Congress has the right to pass laws to suppress polygamy in Utah, and that it would be unchristian for Congress to do so. It was Representative Roberts who explained that Congress has the right to prohibit the polygamous people in Utah from electing men to Congress who believe in polygamy, and who, if elected, would be sworn to support and defend the Constitution of the United States, which forbids polygamy. It was Representative Roberts who explained that Congress has the right to prohibit the polygamous people in Utah from electing men who believe in polygamy to the Congress of the United States, and that it would be unchristian for Congress to do so. It was Representative Roberts who explained that Congress has the right to prohibit the polygamous people in Utah from electing men who believe in polygamy to the legislature of Utah, and that it would be unchristian for Congress to do so. It was Representative Roberts who explained that Congress has the right to prohibit the polygamous people in Utah from electing men who believe in polygamy to the executive office of Utah (Congressional Record, page 12). Hence it is with the utmost pleasure that we see that Representative Roberts has at last found a place in which he can be a Congressman and not be a Christian, and that he can be a Congressman and not be a polygamist. We hope he will continue to be a Congressman and a polygamist, and we hope he will continue to be a Congressman and not be a Christian."

FAITH AND WORKS.

Samuel Colman has, according to an exchange, delivered a lecture in New York on faith, in the course of which he said: "Faith is never so a power as when it is exercised in a dreary place, where you can see no light in front, no way out, no possible relief, no PROSPECT at all. You can't see it." Well, he ought to know, for he has made a good many of his beautiful pictures from just such a place. He claimed that the combined forces of unbelief or of indifference to religion, or to anything else, are powerless against faith. Faith, he said, has conquered and yet never failed to bring relief to suffering humanity.

This is all the more remarkable because infidelity cultivates faith and reason on earth, discounting the truth that true faith is a most potent force for good works. Infidelity is unproductive of works.

The text is a fair one, "By their fruits ye shall know them," is sound philosophy. It is when life is quickly almost divinely pertaining to more or less abstract subjects, but the monuments of righteousness built by the followers of the Gospel of the Nazarene are found against which the chilling blasts of agnosticism and the raging storms of infidelity are equally powerless.

A GREAT POWER.

England has in the Mediterranean thirty-nine warships, of which ten are ironclads of the first class, on the coast of the Atlantic she has thirty-six, of which nine are first-class ironclads. In the Indian seas she has twenty-two, (1-4)w war vessels, ten being ironclads, and in her dockyards she has another one hundred and fifty fighting vessels of various types. Besides all these she has in the American waters thirteen warships; in the East Indies, six; in West Africa, four, stations in China, twenty-eight; in the Pacific, another eleven; and in Australia, one. These things caused even some of the French people to pause and consider when it was supposed war was imminent over the Fashoda matter. The Petit Marseillais admitted that such a force was so formidable as to justify Great Britain's pretensions of being in a position to cope successfully with a combination of the powers of Europe.

When Great Britain forms an alliance offensive and defensive with any other first-class European power, it means that the continent has found its controlling agency, with the United States added, the world itself would be in a similar position, so far as potent human affairs of a military character.

The successful recovery of the Isle de Cuba is another triumph for Admiral Dewey. When a man wins even honors as modestly and bravely as he does, it doesn't matter what degree of fame he attains to.

It is understood that Representative King will be home from Washington this week, and Senator Cannon some a few days later. Strange that nothing in this line is heard regarding Senator Hoxlin!

It is to be hoped the mystery attending the shooting of Mr. J. M. Sharp will be investigated and it is a mystery no longer. We cannot, as a community, afford to treat such things slightingly.

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