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f its members, and the present agitation against it is open to very grave question. Some of the remonstrants appear to be laboring under the im-pression that the case of Mr. Smooth pression that the case of with that is on a parity in all respects with that of Mr. Roberts, whom the House re-fused to seat: who, in fact, was dehied the right to take the oath of office, but they are mistaken. Mr. Roberts was a polygamist and Mr. Smoot is not. So far as the public knows. Mr. Smoot is personally an unobjectionable man. Putting the Mormon issue aside for a Potting the Mormon issue aside tor a moment, it is a fact not controverted that he possessos all the qualifications the Constitution requires for a sena-torship in the matter of citizenship, age and residence. Certainly until very precently Mr. Smoot has enjoyed relaions of intimate friendship with two

epublican administrations and hereby acquired a very considerable influence, not only at bonu ut in Washington "Some students of constitutional obli-gations have raised the point in his behalf that it will be impossible for the Senate to exclude him as a Mormon

Arostle without establishing an exceed ngly dangerous precedent. These stuhas taken an oath of seculiar obliga-tions to the Mormon hierarchy, the question of a double allegiance cannol In the senate joy is duty and Love is be raised against him without raising it against a Roman Catholle ecclesias whose church still maintains that the whose church side maintains that the pope is one of the temporal princer of the earth, a political ruler as well as a theological and disciplinary head. Yet those who advance this argument assert, no one would for a moment think of challenging the right of a control conduction to a sent of a

think of challenging the right of a Catholic ecclesiastic to a seat in the Senate, if he presented himself with credentials perfectly legal in form, on the ground of a possible double or rath-er divided allegiance. As we said be-fore, it is the Senate, not the remoi-strants, who must pass on Mr. Smoot's allefaults?" eligibility.

THE NEEDED CHANGE.

must shock the finer and higher natures The Baltimore Sun in an article on of all lawabiding and morally inclined 'The Old and the New Regime in citizens whose pride for the good repu-South Carolina." very properly remarks tation of our beautiful cities is woundthat the time has come for a radical ed, and whose sense of right and juschange in the politics of that state, by tice is continually outraged. The returning to the old traditions of honor, prayerful wish of every good citizen patriotism, gracious demeanor in ofis that we may have less violence, and fice, coupled with the rule of the people, a high regard for the welfare and safeand not of a class. The remarks are ty of all. There are vices untold, and called forth by the Tillman-Gonzales crimes too numerous to mention that tragedy, and they are applicable in never in a city the size of Salt Lake wider circles than those of one state. come to light, and yet the inner and The tendency has too long been away hidden life of a city must find some from the noble traditions of former expression in character, if not always times, and a disregard for law, for huin kind, by outward violence and disman life and for honor, has sprung up order. It would be quite imposible to which, if not repented of, must uitisay what the ratio is between open mately favor the prevalence of Anarchand notorious acts in violation of law, latic conditions. and the hidden erimes which sap the The present fatality seems to be the

moral strength of the community. It outgrowth of years of stormy politics. is safe to say, however, that the outer Says the Baltimore Sun: and public life of a community is largely affected by its secret vices and concealed evils.

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CIVIC RESPONSIBILITIES.

Under the heading of "Increased Re-

sponsibilities of City Governments,

President Joseph F. Smith has a signed

article in the Juvenile Instructor for

January 15, 1903, which we here repro-

duce and commend to public considera-

"The increasing frequency of crimes

In our larger cities against good order

and the personal rights of our citizens

must be a matter of the most thought-

ful consideration and of deep-felt anxi-

ety to the people of Utah. The awful

crimes that follow in quick succession

Iness communications: THE DESERET NEWS, Sait Lake City, Utab.

In charge of F. J. Cooper, 36 Genry St.

"A healthful and vigorous sentiment in favor of law and order will do much to relieve our chief cities of this festering condition. Parents are foolishly and rancor in debate and bitter per-sonalities set in. Senator Tillman is doubtless a man of ability in certain directions and his devotion to the south is apparently intense. But he knows nothing of or cares nothing for the amenities of life. On the stump he in-troduced the rhetorical pitchfork and then carried it to the United States Sen-ote. With such a leader in absolute criminal who act as though the municipal government is likely to afford their sons and daughters much protection against the snares that are constantly set to entrap them. A vigorous parental influence should be persistently exercised against the evils and tempations which are inviting so many of ate. With such a leader in absolute control of affairs it is not surprising tations which are inviting so many of

interpretation of the hostile act, as may suggest itself. In China, the powers deemed it expedient to make war, without declaring war. They professed to be at peace with China, while their armies were sweeping the country with the besome of destruction. They called it peace, because there was no opponent strong enough to contradict them and give to the operations the right name. But that diplomatic sleight-ofhand trick cannot ensily be played upon nations under the mgis of the Monroe doctrine. If there is to be war in Venezuela, that country has a right to be notified of the fact in the manner usual

between civilized nations. The United States, too, has an interest in the matter. If war is determined on, it must be open and fair, both in methods and aims. It must be known what it is for. War in disguise will not be tolerated in this hemisphere. Great interest will be manifested in the further report about this peculiar incident of "peaceful

blockade." If it was unprovoked, as at first reported, "Germany's claim on Venezuela will thereby be considerably reduced, at the final settlement.

aw. Senator Vest's successor is a foundation Stone of Democracy,

In these days a man is known by the company that keeps him. This kind of weather makes the ice

man's cake dough, so to speak. It would have been a soaking rain had the ground not been frozen so hard.

The Colorado senatorial situation might be summed up as Teller not in Gath.



No matter what Mr. Carnegie's tariff views may be he is a great believer in free libraries.

Mr. Chamberlain's trip to South Africa seems to have made him a wiser if a sadder man.

In Colorado both parties in the legislature should adout as their campaign "Hold the fort." song:

Mme. Patti is about to pay another farewell visit to America. It will be the first in several years.

"Now all that Mr. Smoot has to do to get into the senate is to get in." says a contemporary. Just so. He will get in and stay in.

Dr. Lorenz could not have said "With his [Senator Tillman's] lead-ership a new order of things began. The old time courtliness of manner and good breeding. for which the ruling classes of South Carolina had always nicer things about the Americans had he received a great fee in each case in which he operated.



Imitation may be the sincerest form of flattery, but the man who has a bogus dollar passed on him doesn't feel flattered by any means. A Boston scientist has been trying to

find out what causes a drunken man The cause is not far to

marks the politics of several of its sis-ter commonwealths in the north Tillman's crime is almost certain to make a bad matter worse. In case of his ictim's death disorders will not be surprising.

New York Evening Post.

A passenger in the cars from Louis-ville to New Orleans, in the month of November last, buying newspapers from place to place, counted six violent deaths along his route, all occurring in a single day. And yet many think that we are peculiarly fit to take charge of the destinies of semi-barbarous people.

St. Louis World.

Tillman's method of "getting square" with a man who had, through his newsper, made various charges against he politician, was very different from that usually employed by the flery Southerner, who, when he resorts to pistol or bowieknife, at least gives his adversary fair warning, preferring an open duel to stealthy assassination. It open duel to stealthy assassination. It is a most deplorable occurrence, but it would be unfair to say that it reflects discredit upon any one but the principal actor in the drama.

New York Evening Sun.

The Tillman dynasty was tottering to a fall when the murderous shot was fired, and the only satisfaction to be got out of the affair is that the end of Tillmanism will come before the echoes die away.

Chicago News.

Whatever Senator Tillman may have failed to accomplish in the way of giv-ing the United States a unique reputation abroad evidently can be intrusted to the other members of the Tillman family.



The current number of Juvenile In-structor opens with part VI of an arti-cle entitled: "With the Elders." The present installment of this article depresent installment of this article de-scribes 42 lalington, Liverpool, and Stewart's Hotel, both familiar to Elders who have been abread. "To the Boys" is a piece from the Marysvale Free Lance. "Af-ter Many Years" is continued from a previous number. An interesting arti-cle is that on "Kindergarten Songs and Stories." "Topies of the Times" is dis-Stories." "Topics of the Times" is dis-cussed by Prof. J. M. Tanner. His present theme is "In a Canadian School." The San Francisco Branch Sunday school is described in an illus-trated article. President Joseph F. brated article. President Joseph F. Smith contributes a signed editorial on "Increased Responsibilities of City Governments." This is a timely topic and thoughtfully discussed. "Events in the Life of Parley P. Pratt" are giv-en by W. C. Morton. This article is continued. Under the caption, "Some of Our Poets, a brief biographical sketch of the career of Charles W. Pen-rose is given. This is lineartated by a rose is given. This is illustrated by a good portrait of the subject of the sketch. The number closes with pages for "Our Little Folks."—Salt Lake







Tillman, is a nephew of the senator, people at large and the officers are and when the latter had the humilialargely responsible for the liberties tion of having an invitation to dinner wicked and designing men are taking at the White House withdrawn, the with our rights and privileges. The nephew withdrew an invitation to the lawless element should find a prompt Charleston exposition sent to the Presand vigorous public condemnation on ident. Then the trouble with Gonzales the one hand, and determined supcommenced. The editor undoubtedly pression of their unlawful acts by the erred in the manner in which he con. constituted authorities on the other, ducted the controversy, but the killing There is altogether too great a disposiwas nevertbeless assassination. It was tion to count upon the political support an infamous crime. But the affair of a questionable class. Men running shows how much need there is of a for or accepting office should be made radical change in public life, official to feel that they are safe in the hands and otherwise. Violence will beget vioof an upright citizenship. If citizens ence. It will accomplish no good. . in a municipality will stand for a high

standard of official service and feel that in the choice of the instrumentalities of their sovereign power the higher qualities on the one side will be pitted against the lower on the other, they will have no difficulty in persuading

men of the highest type to accept the responsibilities of office, and they will soon persuade party leaders and conventions that only the fittest can survive.

"The evils that confront us in our larger cities today are enough to enlist the righteous indignation of every man and woman, and call for a persistent and vigorous warfare. Because like evils have existed before, or because they may have been covered up is no reason why we should relent. The Latter-day Saints are numerous enough to bear very largely the responsibility which every good citizen should feel for the welfare of our public concerns.

"It may not be possible always to determine just where the greatest faults exist, but it is not impossible to indicate where faults are to be found, and wherever found they should be corrected. We have certainly done better in the past than we are doing now, and may we then not hope for better conditions than exist today. Something is radically wrong and needs correction. Let the families of the Latter-day Saints take an inventory of the moral and religious conditions of their homes and find if they can wheth er any member is contributing either by commission or omission to the downward tendency in government and good order. If we lose our sense of responsibility we endanger not only our own personal moral welfare, but the safety of the community which we are in honor bound to maintain. "JOSEPH F. SMITH."

sirable.

SPEAKING OF SMOOT'S ELECTION

The Boston Transcript, of Jan. 17, in San Carlos is said to have been desan editorial review of the senatorial royed by fire from the ships, but further dotails of the incident are as yet abotions in the various states, makes the subjoined remarks on the election lacking. of Hon. Reed Smoot:

"Mr. Smoot, the Mormon Apostle, whose case, if there is any case what-

their tone from him. The present shooting affair can probably be traced directly to his violent encounter on the floor of the United States Senate with see. Two drinks too near together, Some people seem to think that rehis colleague, Senator McLaurin, Bad blood came of it. People in office bepublican institutions will perish from the earth unless the metric system is gan to call each other names which put into immediate and universal use. In the south have always been resented with violence, and this is only one of Provo should feel very proud to

have furnished the state a United The lieutenant-governor, James H. States senator, and doubtless does. What's the matter with Provo? She in all right.

> The pranks of college students are never very serious matters and to treat them too seriously is a mistake. It is quite well to remember that boys will be boys.

A lock of the Duke of Wellington's hair was sold in London the other day for twenty dollars. This would indicate that the Iron Duke's hair was golden.

The other day the chaptain of the Kansas house prayed that the members of that body might be purged with hyssop. Of course they might be but calomel would be far better.

One of the inventions that are prom-The other day in New York some one ised for the near future is likely to paid five thoysand dollars' conscience have most serious consequences. money into the New York City treas-Frenchman claims to have invented a ury. It was not thought that there paper that will disappear, although it was that much worth of conscience in looks like any other kind of paper. The Gotham. new writing material, we are told, is

steeped in sulphuric acid, diluted ac-Again the Germans have been bom cording to the length of time it is debarding Venezuelan forts. No one seems to have been hurt; yet such prosired the paper should exist, and is afterward dried and glazed and the acid ceedings cannot but have an irritating effect on the situation, and tend to make superficially neutralized by means of immoniac vapor. Thus fabricated and the impending peace negotiations more difficult of satisfactory results, than treated, the paper to all outward apthey otherwise would be. pearance is not dissimilar to any ordinary paper made of the same ma-Just now there is a great outcry for erials. The acid, however, though neu-

trained consuls. It is raised annually but is never heeded to any extent. Doubiless better men might be selected than are (the same might be the case in the selection of all officials, pub-He and private), but the commercial agents abread of the United States compare very favorably with those of other nations.

> SOUTH CAROLINA TRAGEDY. Milwaukee Wisconsin.

cations it is desirable to leave no re-The shooting down at Columbia by deut.-Gov. Tillman of N. G. Gonzales, ords of, for future reference. Lovers without notice or warning, is a crime so thoroughly barbarous that it is more akin to the practices of the Apache In-dians than of the inhabitants of civilsoliticians, statesmen should find use or that kind of material. But it will scome doubly necessary to guard against frauds. Perhaps at last civized countries. It now appears that lization will have to return to the clay liman is not only a cowardly ruffian. but a flar so mean and so despicable that he should not be admitted into tablet when a permanent record is dedecent society.

ANOTHER BOMBARDMENT.

DISAPPEARING PAPER.

It does not appear, indeed, in this particular case that even the orutal As was expected, the Germans blockante-bellum code of "honah" was com-plied with, for that code never recogiding the Venezuelan coast have reurned to the hombardment of San Carnized the right of an armed man to pen fire upon one unarmed and de-enseless, as Editor Gonzales is reportos. A few days ago that fort was attacked by the Panther, but that chip. ed to have been. At this distance the affair has all the appearance of a vul-gar assassination committed in an exaccording to the report, had to retreat. Now the attack is said to have been reumed by three ships. The village of tremely cowardly manner.

Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The present regime in South Carolina, has made the state almost a byword in the country. It has been disgraced re-pentedly by the ruffianism of its high-sst officials, though, to its credit be it raid, the state has been comparatively free from the sorded corruption which It is in order now to ask for an explanation, and undoubtedly the Berlin government will be glad to furnish such



