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OUTSIDERS NOT ENEMIES.

One would suppose that the implication of the Church would cause telling and falsehood about the people here after an election in which they claim an overwhelming victory. But they do not. They continue the silly tale, that "the News" and speakers for the Church designate as "outsiders" and "enemies" all who do not believe in the expiring religion which they teach. If men and women, they say, "have not embraced the gospel," as they say, that is sufficient to brand them as "Gentiles," as "outsiders," as "enemies."

There is absolutely no foundation in fact for a statement like that. The Latter-day Saints do not regard non-Mormons as enemies. On the contrary, they are happy to count thousands both in Utah and elsewhere among their most valued friends. In the wonderful career of the Church, the Lord has always raised up friends to the Saints, very often among the great and influential men of the earth, whose hearts and minds have been opened in the light of truth and righteousness. We are happy to say that the Saints and their leaders are honored and respected by thousands upon thousands who never entertained a thought of joining the Church. It is absolutely false to say that the "Mormons" regard all non-"Mormons" as enemies.

According to the "Mormon" doctrine all human beings are children of the same Father. They are members of one great, divine family. Some of them may be in error, but they are nevertheless God's children. A duty of love to all men, and a duty of love to all men, is the basis of the Mormon doctrine. It is the basis of the Mormon doctrine. It is the basis of the Mormon doctrine. It is the basis of the Mormon doctrine.

We might mention scores of people from other states and other lands, who, after a time of residence here, have found the "Mormons" to be warm, hearty, hospitable, generous, and broad-minded, and even free from the obnoxious and for proselytism that sometimes is met with in sectarian circles. There are scores of non-"Mormons" in the City today who are willing to testify to that, and others who have left the City very much impressed with the kind disposition of the Latter-day Saints.

Then again, scores of business men, non-"Mormons," are doing profitable business with "Mormons," and the question of religion is never raised. Commercial travelers representing business houses in nearly every state in the Union are selling their goods in every settlement in the State, and they are finding friends everywhere, among both "Mormons" and non-"Mormons." In view of these facts, what is the purpose of the continual misrepresentation?

As for the term "Gentiles," that was often used, formerly, to distinguish the two classes of non-"Mormons"—Jews and Gentiles. It was used very much as the Hebrew word "Goyim." No offense was meant. But, because in later years non-"Mormons" quoted it as a term of opprobrium, it was very generally dropped from the "Mormon" vocabulary, and today it is used almost exclusively by the detractors of the Saints to stir up anti-"Mormon" prejudice.

It is true, the Church has "enemies." It has had enemies from the very beginning. They consist of the class that was responsible for the martyrdom of the Prophet and Patriarch. They consist of the class that today would re-enact the scenes of Missouri and Illinois. If they could, they are the enemies of not only the Saints, but of mankind in general. They are the enemies of God and righteousness. The Latter-day Saints have no other enemies on earth. Let this truth be known and understood by all who take any interest in conditions here.

DOCTORS DISAGREE.

Experts do not agree on the causes of the financial crisis, but the consensus of opinion seems to be that it cannot be of long duration.

Prof. Irving Fisher of Yale, as quoted by the Washington Herald, believes that the financial stringency is due to the failure of the interest rate to rise to the level of high prices generally. He believes that the crisis was brought about by an effort at sudden adjustment of interest rates. If this adjustment, he maintains, had occurred gradually as crisis would have been felt. Financial interests, according to this theory, had been going on and on, borrowing money at the unchanging rate, regardless of the change in the purchasing power of the money borrowed and loaned. It was inevitable that when money could be borrowed at a low rate of interest and invested in industries that brought in rapid and swollen returns, over-speculation would follow. Prof. Fisher thinks the higher rate of interest now obtaining, had it obtained earlier, as according to his theory of normal financial operations, it should have obtained, would have prevented this over-speculation and averted the collapse of 1907.

Another Yale professor, Henry C. Emery, is practically of the same opinion.

of gold is too large. He says: "We have what Bryan wanted in 1896, an expanded currency. With the greatly increased supply of gold, the level of prices has risen, and the interest rates have not kept the pace. Over-speculation has caused heavy loans for investment purposes, and now that the borrowers cannot continue their loans at the same rate of interest, there is a stringency."

Another colleague of Professor Fisher, Prof. Sumner, believes that the whole trouble is due to the agitation against the large corporations. He holds that this agitation has unsettled public confidence. "The people," he says, "are timid, and the public mind is at an unrest, investors are cautious. The country grows, has grown very fast, and the industries want money. The people fear lest these industries, controlled by corporations, may be the subject of Federal attack, and they refuse to invest. The result is a crisis because of a lack of money to continue."

All three agree in the opinion that there is no known reason why the crisis should continue very long. This is the comforting feature of their disagreement.

THE ARMY.

The press of the country is publishing with more or less intelligent comment the recent statement of Chairman Hull of the Military committee of the National House of Representatives, that "The army could not be worse off, its conditions is desperate." Now, among the causes of this demoralization is the influence of political and personal favoritism in promotions among officers. While Mr. Hull laments the untoward condition of the army, he entirely fails to give this particular phase of the trouble its just due; in fact and due to it, as he makes no reference to it. He seems to have forgotten it was through the influence of his official position that his son, John A. Hull, was made in 1861, a major in the judge advocate general's department, and two years later promoted to be a lieutenant colonel at the age of 29. This was over the heads of 1,231 captains, and 1,369 lieutenants. Only a year ago, Senator Warren of Wyoming, chairman of the Senate committee on Military affairs, managed to secure the promotion of his son in law, Captain Pershing of the Fifteenth cavalry, to a brigadier generalship over the heads of 802 officers of higher rank and long service, for this officer only graduated from West Point in 1884. The public has not yet forgotten the promotion of General Leonard Wood who graduated from Harvard in 1884, was but an assistant surgeon in 1891 in the regular service with the rank of captain, but in 1901 was promoted to a brigadier generalship in the regular army. Only two years afterwards Gen. Wood was made major general.

To be sure General Wood made an excellent record as an administrative officer in Cuba, but it was not generally supposed that his services were of a nature to warrant his phenomenal elevation to high rank in the regular service over the heads of men grown gray while he was yet a contract surgeon. General Bell is another instance, jumped from a captaincy in the Seventh Cavalry to be brigadier general in 1901, after being captain only two years; and yet another is General Mills, promoted from a captaincy to be brigadier general, Punston, the present senior brigadier general, was pitched into the regular service, from a brigadier in the volunteer service in 1891, as a brigadier, and is liable at the next retirement from the list of major generals, to be elevated to that rank. It is this selection for promotion through favoritism and personal influence, rather than for seniority or actual service performed, that is demoralizing the commissioned officers of the army. It destroys honorable ambition, stifles legitimate aspiration; it leaves officers who have no "pull" at Washington hopeless of anything like early advancement, when under the regular order of events this advancement should be realized. It would be well for the chairman of the House and Senate committees on Military affairs, and the President also, to give some serious consideration to this cloud on the army horizon that is even now something larger than a man's hand.

FOR THANKSGIVING.

Mr. Alfred Harris, who has charge of the Salvation Army work in Utah, Colorado and Wyoming, has issued an appeal to the well-to-do and charitably inclined people of Salt Lake for funds wherewith to prepare a Thanksgiving dinner for the poor of this City.

One would hardly think that many really poor can be found here, outside the institutions where the poor and needy are being taken care of. But Major Harris says in his communication to the "News," that "last Thanksgiving day no less than one thousand half-finished men, women and children surrounded the Salvation Army tables at our hall, in addition well filled baskets of provisions were provided for one thousand more. Among this number were children who gave every evidence that they came from homes where plenty was wanted, ragged, dirty, with tangled hair, and table manners that would wretchedly shock any tenderly reared child. . . . Then there were women in every stage of old age and decrepitude, too old to work, left alone in old age without relatives and without means."

Mr. Harris asks the public again to make it possible for him and his co-workers to provide liberally for the needy, on that day. We know the appeal will not be in vain.

Called back—Secretary Taft.

Tom Johnson seems to be the Porfirio Diaz of Cleveland.

"Of all bad words of tongue or pen the saddest are these, it might have been."

It is a wise provision of nature that men and turkeys do not know the hour of their doom.

The clouds of smoke that come from the tall chimneys about town have no silver lining.

Congress. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

Building is said to be falling off. So long as buildings don't fall down there is small danger.

Just now the stream of gold from Europe is the most important of all the currents of the Atlantic.

Actor Hitchcock dramatically says, "I am innocent." The law, as presumed, may the presumption be justified.

Good weather seems to beget bad actions in school boys. Perhaps bad weather will beget good or no actions in them.

Already there is talk of resuming cash payments at the banks. As S. P. Chase said, "The way to resumption is to resume."

The funniest election news of all is that returns in the Philippines are coming in slowly. That there should be any there is the marvelous thing.

In no city of the Union are the people to be congratulated more on the results of the election than the citizens of San Francisco. It was a decided triumph for decent and honest government.

Somewhat more trust is being placed in the New York trust companies, chiefly because more money is being put in them. It will be some time before it will be absolutely safe to take the props from under them.

The decision of the A. S. & R. company to pay its employees in cash instead of checks is a wise one. Many of the employees are foreigners who neither speak nor read English and therefore cannot advise themselves as to the present financial situation and the causes thereof, thus predisposing them to become panic-stricken should they have to accept checks instead of cash in payment of wages. All large employers of foreigners who do not understand English would do wisely to adopt the plan that the A. S. & R. company has. There could be no sounder business policy.

CHANGE THE SUBJECT.

Chancellor Day, in Appleton's.

The remedy? Talk of nothing for a year but the great and glorious things of America. Talk of the thousand varieties of handy and cheap forms into which meats and fruits and vegetables, all edibles, are being put for men in all places and pursuits, from the day laborer to the north pole explorer. Talk of the difference between kerosene at 15 or 20 cents a gallon and kerosene at \$1 a gallon, and every gallon at that time might blow you into kingdom come. Talk of the by-products once in the dump heaps that are adding hundreds of millions annually to our country's wealth and the thousands of the rich to the homes of the poor. Talk of unnumbered forms of manufacture, those most active agents of civilization, which must be credited up to our great land. Talk of the railways which, from opposition in their inception to persecution throughout their history, have pushed on, opening up states, filling the nation with teeming millions, transporting us for a fraction of the cost of conveying ourselves in all directions, hurrying our papers and letters off at every wayside village at a mile a minute, and talking to the sidewalks for the markets of the world, the products of our fields and the work of our shops and factories. Talk about these great things, dear and see how few things there will be to complain about.

MODERN MISSIONIZING.

Charleston News and Courier.

The bishop of London has been talking about his visit to the United States in a most flattering way since his return home. He laughingly admitted the other day that he won the tennis match he played with the president, but requested that too much be made of it. Talking about the match at the White House some time ago, a very clever lawyer in Washington said that he could not help wondering what Paul would have said to Aescopus had that Roman worthy challenged him to play a game of whatever was the lawn tennis of his day.

WESTERN VIEW OF IT.

Kansas City Journal.

New York has become, as Gen. Hancock said of the tariff, a "local issue" so far as the actual wealth of the nation is concerned. The people there may roll themselves in a cockle shell with their plunges and gambles, and the rest of the country may suffer. For many years ago the trouble there hurt worse in the west than it did at home. Now the west merely makes money out of Wall street misery. Time works wonders.

WALL STREET'S LATEST LESSON.

New York Tribune.

Every disturbance teaches its lesson, and the lesson learned in the last few days will prove wholesome. Eternal vigilance is the price not alone of liberty, but of safety. We need a more efficient inspection of banking institutions and banking methods. The national government and the state government should each try to enforce an inspection which really inspects. But self-help is better than help from the outside, and the banks can protect themselves from abuses of credit and administration better than any outside governmental agency can perform that function. The clearing house is the best vigilance committee to pursue those who try to profit through banking abuses. By drastic action and its aid, that all the banks in its jurisdiction were solvent turned back the pressure for liquidation so far as it affected clearing house banks. The trust companies would have escaped much embarrassment if they had been able in the same way at the first critical moment to show a united front and could have used their concerted power to punish abuses as well as to remedy them. The formation of a trust company clearing house of the re-entry of the trust companies into the banks' clearing house on equitable terms is to be commended as a common sense precaution. Either arrangement ought to exert a powerful influence for good in standardizing the trust companies and putting them on a surer and healthier basis.

JUST FOR FUN.

The Preserving Craze.

Guide—You will be the second person, my lord, who will have climbed to the top of this mountain.

His Lord—Yes, and who was the first?

"A first-and-a-half, who has now got a shop on the summit."—Don Vivant.

At Any Cost.

"We must have our liberty," said the politician.

"Yes," said Pat. "Begorra, we must—even if we have to go to jail for it!"—Harper's.

Harder Work.

Witness—Why, Bridget, it seems to

me you want very large wages for one who has had so little experience.

Bridget—Pure, mum, and it's harder for me when I don't know how?—Life.

Use of the Drama.

Outside of the pretty little girl and several clever musical numbers the play does a whole lot to fatten the dividends of some gunpowder manufacturer's concern.—Detroit News.

"Did you have a fine auto trip?" "Very much so—all fine."—Baltimore American.

Aunt—"And have you been all that long way alone?" Niece—"Yes, auntie." Aunt—"Then how is it you went out with an umbrella and came back with a walking stick?"—Punch.

Explorer—"Yes, I have decided to make my dash in an automobile." Reporter—"And you think your chances of locating the Pole are good?" Explorer—"Sure! If I get within a thousand miles of it, this machine of mine will run into it."—Puck.

"The idea of his calling me extravagant!" exclaimed Mrs. Schoppen. "Well," replied her friend, "perhaps you're not as economical in your shopping as you might be." "Nonsense! Why, I never buy a blessed thing but bargains."—Philadelphia Press.

"It is difficult to become a philosopher," asked the very young man. "Easiest thing in the world," answered the home-grown specimen. "All you have to do is to utter truths you don't believe and can't make other people believe."—Chicago Daily News.

"What were the best six sellers when you were in New York?" inquired the Indiana literary expert of his prosaic neighbor. "The blamed if I know," was the latter's reply. "As far as I can remember we only visited five of 'em, and I didn't pay much attention to their locations."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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