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## A CAUSE FOR GRATITUDE.

If to ask the blessings of the Almighty upon the Nation's executive, judicial, and legislative branches of government; if to thank God for worthy representation in Congress of Utah, both in the past and at present, is Church interference in politics, then we hope there will be a great deal of it. We hope all good citizens who believe in an overruling Providence, will interfere in a similar way. It is a kind of church interference in politics enjoyed by the great Apostle of the gentiles, who says: "I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men, for kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior." (1 Tim. 2:1-2)

Read that exhortation carefully, and then these beautiful sentences from the address of President Joseph F. Smith, at the close of the Conference:

"I pray for the prosperity of our nation, for the blessing of God to be upon the executive, the judicial and legislative branches of our government. May the Lord bless our government and lead those that hold the power in their hands to do that which is righteous, pleasing and acceptable unto God who established this great government by His own will and providence. I thank God, my Father, that this State of Utah is, and has been, represented in the halls of Congress by honest men, men after God's own heart, men who love their people, and who are just and impartial and true to the interests of all the citizens of our State. I thank God that we are blessed with the privilege of representing ourselves rather than being misrepresented by our enemies. In the halls of Congress; and in the name of common sense, I explore the thought, that any Latter-day Saint should regret that good and true men have been chosen—not by the Church, but by their own political parties—to represent the State of Utah in the halls of Congress. Thank God for it. That is my sentiment, and I hope that I shall not see the day soon when we will have the misfortune again of being either misrepresented or of failing to be properly represented in the halls of Congress."

If to pray and give thanks and to bless church interference in politics, we trust it may continue. We trust the representatives of Utah in Congress, be they of one political faith or another, will always merit the approbation of good citizens. Generally speaking, it has been the case, and is the case at present. But, has it always been so?

There can be no disagreement among decent people on this proposition. The representatives of Utah in Congress should be men morally and intellectually qualified for that responsible position. They should be men upon whose honor there is no stain. They should be capable of dealing with national and international questions from the lofty positions of statesmen. But, above all, they should be true and loyal to the Country, and its institutions. Any state who is blessed with such representatives is fortunate. Its citizens have cause for gratitude.

## TURN THE LIGHT ON.

The citizens of the West side, it appears, are going to appeal to the courts to stop the establishment of a red-light district in the proposed locality. They have raised a fund to defray the expenses of the legal proceedings. Through their attorneys, it is said, the citizens of the West side, who have raised a large fund for that purpose, will begin suit for an injunction. The suit will set out that the Citizens' Investment company, defendant, has constructed the redlight district for an immoral purpose. This suit will demand an injunction against the further construction of houses built especially for immoral purposes, and will ask this injunction to be operative against the Citizens' Investment company, its successors and assigns.

This is a unique situation. The City has laws and ordinances intended for the protection of the homes of the people against the contaminating influence of such districts. It has officials who have sworn to maintain those laws and given bonds for the faithful performance of their duties. But when the human cultures that prey upon the depravity of mankind threaten it, the citizens must take up their own defense as best they can, not only against the violators of the law, but also against the officials who refuse to do their sworn duty. That is a peculiar situation.

We hope the citizens will be successful. Salt Lake City cannot afford to have a moral cesspool within its limits. Omaha suffered an enterprising moral perverser to establish a "district" of that kind in the city, at one time, but the rottenness of the institution became so nauseating that the press took the matter up. It was too much for Omaha. It should be too much for this City.

The trouble is that the evil will not be confined to that one district. The flimsy excuse for Commercial street was that unless the evil was confined to one locality it would spread out in all directions and soon be beyond control. The fact is that it has spread in all directions in spite of Commercial street. You cannot confine it to one locality, as long as it is legalized by the attitude of the police. Admit it, and it will take possession, like the

camel that succeeds in getting its head into the tent.

Some honestly believe that the establishment of a "district" would be in the interest of morality. That argument might, perhaps, deserve a hearing providing it were possible to place honorable men or women in charge. But that is, evidently, out of the question. What can be expected when individuals without honor, without conscience, without regard for right or wrong, are in charge? It is not considerations for the moral welfare of the community that have prompted such individuals to put money into the enterprise. They have done so to make money, and for no other purpose. If the souls and bodies of men and women are ruined and they can profit by their damnation, the question of morality has no weight. For that reason the "district" will be a curse wherever it is established. It means the turning over of the infamous business to a trust, which is to make all it can out of it, in spite of law and under the very nose of the police.

We hope the matter will be thoroughly ventilated, and the responsibility placed where it belongs. The people have a right to know to what extent their officials are interested or implicated. Turn the light on.

## IT MAKES A DIFFERENCE.

The other day the scribe that fills the Tribune columns with inebriety, not happening to think of anything else, offered the following:

"In all this the title money that Democrats have contributed to the Tribune, and which goes to the support of the Deseret News, is used for the Republican partisan benefit."

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## SAFE EITHER WAY.

The European edition of the New York Herald, dated Paris, Sept. 18, contains an item which proves that interest in our coming election is not confined to this side of the Atlantic. It is in the form of an interview with Mr. Louis Lombard, a New York musician and impresario, who during the summer lives at his Chateau de Teviano, near Lugano. His verdict is that our country is safe, no matter how the election goes. We quote from the letter of the Lugano correspondent of the Herald:

"Mr. Lombard is on very friendly terms with Mr. Bryan, who has visited at his chateau, and with Mr. James S. Sherman, the Republican candidate for the Vice Presidency. 'As for Mr. Taft,' he continued, 'I am convinced of Mr. Taft's fitness for the office of president. Therefore, knowing Mr. Bryan's sterling qualities, I must say that if he is elected, he would have been selected as candidates.'"

"Mr. Sherman, whom I have known thirty-two years, has been my attached friend. I am incident in our most friendly relations, whereby it was shown to me that he was ready to risk his reputation in a political sense in order to render me a great service, proved to me his constancy and honesty. Our country is safe, no matter who is president."

## CONTRADICTION ITSELF.

"The principal retail houses in Salt Lake are enjoying extraordinary patronage this week."—Tribune, Oct. 8.

The principal retail houses in Salt Lake always enjoy extraordinary patronage during the Conference seasons, which is proof conclusive that the attendants at Conference are as free to deal wherever they please, as everywhere else is. And yet, the organ of slander and falsehood, not so very long ago, said:

"The Gentile merchants of Salt Lake—and the Jew merchants are Gentiles in this case—should take half an hour each day for reflection, until such time as they shall have come to a realization of the more than Egyptian bondage into which they are entering. So far as possible, the patronage of the Mormon people is kept from them by the advice of the church leaders."—Tribune, Nov. 30, 1894.

The paper knew it was publishing a deliberate falsehood, when stating that patronage was kept from any business houses by the advice of Church leaders, but that did not trouble its conscience. The lie was given out for the purpose of causing ill-feelings between neighbors and prolonging strife. But now, the sheet contradicts its former falsehood and states that the principal retail houses are doing extraordinary business at Conference time. Both propositions cannot be true. Businessmen know which one is founded on facts and figures.

Actions speak louder than words, but not so often.

Graft is the wage of dishonest opportunity.

At night the Fair grounds look just like fairy land.

In the baseball world Chicago is bigger than New York.

No register, no vote; no vote, no voice in public affairs.

Familiarity breeds contempt, especially with a severe court.

Rename those Cubs. Call them Jack the Giant Killer.

The rainbow trout is the only successful chaser of rainbows.

The party bosses that whip their fol-

lowers into line often themselves get whipped.

Uncle Sam's colored soldiers are never held in light repute.

Chicago had four runs for its money while New York had only two.

The planks of the "American" platform are made of wormwood.

When two are troubled with the same ailment, they term it epidemic.

If Turkey decides to make Bulgaria sweat, of course Turkish baths will be used.

Politicians these days dislike to sit on the fence because most of the fences are barbed.

Still waters run deep, but still the deep water way from the lakes-to-the-gulf does not run.

No one heaps coals of fire on any one's head these days. The time effort is secured by using Standard Oil.

"This is the golden age of politics," says Hon. Chauncey Depew. The campaign managers have not found it so.

Mr. Harriman remarks that "the money panic left us with hardly a scratch." Still it left a good many sore spots.

President Roosevelt distinguishes between "law honesty" and genuine honesty. That is where the President and lots of people differ.

The meeting of Judge Taft and Mr. Bryan at the banquet of the Chicago association of commerce was a regular "After you, my dear Alphonse" affair.

Comptroller of the Currency Murray is going to divide the national bank examiners into eleven districts. It is all right so long as he doesn't (shoe) string them.

Senator La Follette is going to establish a weekly paper that will satisfy a long felt public want. The result will show whether the Senator has the more ability or the more confidence.

Some of the flats of this town are so aristocratic that servant girls are not allowed in the halls or to ride in the elevators. The consequence is that some of the aristocrats have to do their own work.

## THE MISSION OF TANG-SHAO-YI.

Philadelphia Inquirer.  
 The mission of Tang-Shao-Yi does not terminate at Washington. After he has executed his instructions here his itinerary will take him to Europe, where he will have no gratitude to express, as no other country than the United States has remitted one dollar of its indemnity. Tang-Shao-Yi, in an equitable magnitude is an international scandal and a reproach to the Christian world. He must, therefore, have other business to transact, and it is to live up to the terms of the Portsmouth treaty or to fulfill the pledges that were given in anticipation of the Russian war.

## CORRUPTION MUST STOP.

Philadelphia Public Ledger.  
 Previously sensible people, in the absence of exact information to the contrary, have generally believed that much of the talk of corruption was exaggerated. They now know that corruption is an acute danger. The revelations have caused a complete change in the attitude of the average man of sound patriotism toward the use of money in elections and the influence of corporations and trusts in political life. It is no longer an excuse or palliation to say that all parties and politicians use corrupt methods. The time has come when the people must be applied. The subject is not debatable. The task is to eradicate the evil and to drive from public life the men who practise or even condone it.

## NEW ENGLAND'S CONSCIENCE.

New York World.  
 Secretary Straus in an address before the international fish congress traced the "high morality" of the pilgrim fathers and the "developed genius" of their progeny to their early diet of fish. At a time when the theory of fish as superior brain food is somewhat in disrepute it is gratifying to have it substantiated by an authority who finds moral qualities also in fish diet. If fish is to be credited with the formation of character the "sacred cod" in the statehouse at Boston will have a new claim to respect. It not merely typifies a man in a great industry, but symbolizes the New England conscience.

## JUST FOR FUN.

"I understand the new magazine has a high standard."  
 "Indeed it has. It went up yesterday."—Atlanta Constitution.

Author—I'm very happy in my married life. I find my husband such a help.  
 Friend—Indeed! Does he cook, or write?—Fleegende Blatter.

He—Are you putting away something for a rainy day?  
 She—Oh, I hope not! I'm saving up for an Easter bonnet, you know!—Yonkers Statesman.

Mr. Newlywed—But, my love, why are you weeping?  
 Mrs. Newlywed—Oh, John, John! I just peeped into the kitchen and saw that cook has on her traveling gown.—Harper's Weekly.

He—If you refuse me I shall go out and hang myself to the lamp-post in front of your house.  
 She—Now, George, you know father said he wouldn't have you hanging around here.—Life.

"Is your husband voracious in his appetite, madam?"  
 "I can't say as he is doctor. He'll eat anything and everything as long as there's anything to eat."—Baltimore American.

Hi Tragedy—Yes, we opened in Oshkosh.  
 Lowe Comedy—And what did your audience think of your Hamlet?  
 Hi Tragedy—They said I went out before I had a chance to ask him.—Philadelphia Press.

On the Jump—"The last time I gave you money," said the kindly old lady, "you promised you wouldn't walk right into a saloon and spend it."  
 "Yes, but as soon as you got the money you did."  
 "Baw! lady, don't you know do difference between a walk and a sprint?"—Philadelphia Press.

## RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

A feature of interest in McClure's Magazine for October, following as it does Professor Hugo Munsterberg's article on "Prohibition and Social Psychology," is a paper by Dr. Henry Smith Williams on "Alcohol and the Individual." Dr. Williams declares that experiments have shown that the effect of alcohol is everywhere depressive, that it is a narcotic, not a stimulant, and that its use even in moderate quantities reduces man's working efficiency 10 per cent. General Kuro-patkin continues his secret history of the Russo-Japanese war, declaring that the superior force of the Japanese was responsible for the defeat of the Russians; Baron J. Hendrick writes of the battle against the famous Sherman and trust that the measure that for eighteen years has successfully withstood the attack of combinations of both capital and labor; and Ellen Terry tells of the death of Henry Irving, the greatest actor of the century. Another feature is a collection of letters of Augustus Saint-Gaudens, giving an intimate view of the period of the famous sculptor's greatest triumph. In October there is a great ghost story by Percival Landon; a vivid racing story by A. E. Thomas; a charming love story by Temple Bailey; a weird tale of an oriental adventure by H. G. Dwight; a stirring western adventure story by George C. Shedd; a pathetic story of Chicago tenements life by Clara E. Laughlin.—44-60 East, 23rd St., New York.

The following is a list of contents of American Industries for October: "Industrial Training for Preserving Our Future," "The Practical Director," "The Rise of the Gas Engine," "A Mock Industrial City," "Railroad expenditures for the Coming Industrial Era," "India Through American eyes," "Stop the 'Jingo,'" "Get Busy."—170 Broadway, New York.

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