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A KNOTTY QUESTION.

The following question has been submitted to the Deseret News with a request for an immediate answer: Suppose a citizen is duly and lawfully registered in American Fork, and there is no dispute as to his qualifications of residence or citizenship. His registration takes place on October 16. After that date he moves to Lehi where he takes up his abode. He does not and could not register in the 'atter precinct. But he returns to Lehi on election day and wants to vote in the precinct where he was registered. Is he entitled to cast his ballot there?

The registration and election laws appear to be faulty in this and some other respects, as to change of residence from one precinct to another. It is very clear that under the Constitution and the statutes, a citizen of the United States may vote at elections in Utah, if he or she is twenty-one years of age or more, has been a citizen ninety days, and has resided in the State one year, in the county four months, and in the precinct sixty days next preceding the election. Anything short of these qualifications is a bar to the right to register, and no unregistered person may vote.

In the present case the citizen was duly registered, and the only precinct in which he could vote would be that in which his name appears on the registration list. But if he has moved from that precinct to another, with the full intent of making the latter his residence and he actually resides there and admits that he does, his vote may be challenged, as provided in Sec. 846, par. 6, Revised Laws of Utah. Under that he cannot vote in any precinct

smallpox? How could a teacher having smallpox, even in a very mild form of variolaid, go about her duties in the choolroom while so afflicted? How could the patients at the "pesthouse," as we have personally witnessed, romp and play and shout to passers by, and eat, drink and be merry, if they experienced the nausea and pains that invariably accompany smallpox, however modified" may be its attacks? How can patients literally covered with pimplea ha entirely free from the fever and dekness, which the smallest sprinkling or variable pustules always brings, and the prostration that comes from vari-

We do not wish to arrest the enforcement of rigid rules for quarantine and proper sanitary regulations in the least. But we do wish to have the truth prevall, and the alarm and dread of the bathsome disorder that brings panic removed from the public mind, even if it does cut down to some extent the profitable practice of vaccination with lymph of doubtful virtue, and arouse the ire of some physicians who cannot endure the idea that they can possibly make a mistake,

DISTRESS IN ALASKA.

Reports from Alaska indicate a condiion of affairs, which calls for the exerclass of Christian benevolence on a large scale, According to what are believed to be reliable reports, the Indians at Cook's Inlet, to the number of perhaps a thousand, are in immediate danger of death by starvation and cold.

It is all due to the advent of the gold hunters. Miners have set the forests aflame from their camp fires, and as a consequence the fox and other small fur animals have been destroyed, so there is practically no hunting. The Indians have therefore no furs with which to buy food, or make clothing. Extermination by hunger and cold stares them in the face.

These Indians are said to be members of the Russian church, but that organization does almost nothing to assist them, They need clothing and flour. An appeal in their behalf is made to charitable people on the coast, by Mrs. Fred Smith, who recently arrived in retinue as Charles II of England had, Tacomah, Wash., from the north, and it vain. The country they inhabit belongs to the United States, and with the abundance that is in evidence everywhere here, the poor creatures inhabiting the frigid north could be easily kept over the winter. Contributions for such a purpose would be more sensible than for the civilization of the pagans, who very little appreciate the efforts put

to be let alone. There are also trustworthy reports of official corruption in that far off Ter- want to ascertain whether the world is ritory, by which miners have been robbed of their property on a large scale, must compare the people of past times One of the promoters of the scheme is with those of the present, and not now in jall, asking for clemency at the hands of the United States courts. That matter will, we presume, be made the subject of a thorough inquiry, and ble guide in that inquiry, for the reaalthough the promoters are believed to son that it is only in later times that have energetic backing, even in the the doings of the people have been halls of Congress, that is no reason why found worth while recording. Much of the corruption should be allowed to ac. the history of the past is concerned cumulate. The matter should be probed about the acts of kings and potentates, to the bottom. This country cannot af. as if the people were but inanimate tools ord to have any but men of sterling integrity to represent it in any place where its authority is paramount,

forth in that direction, and merely ask

low and congratulate itself upon the opportunity. That the German gov. ernment and people expect to obtain territory in China is taken for granted. The German press points out that the German acquisitions in the Pacific form a natural bridge between other German possessions and China, and a 'bridge" must, of course, have something to rest on at both ends. Without that it would be purposeless,

What is transpiring in castern Asla is of immense importance to all the world. Signor Crispl, the Italian statesman, in the North American Review, takes this view that if Russia occupies Mongolia and England expands her sphere of influence over all the Yangtse valley, and Germany spreads herself over the Shantung peninsula, the great highway of commerce will be transferred from the Atlantic to the Pacific. "This immense sea, put into communication with the Atlantic by the Nicaraguan canal, leads to a world which was, up to now, if not unknown, ertainly neglected, from the coasts of China and Japan to those of California and the noighboring Rocky mountains, across Australia and the thousands of enchanted Islands constituting Polyne.

Signor Crispi quotes the statement of Senator Seward in 1868 to the effect that the Pacific ocean, its shores, islands, and the coasts washed by its waves, will be the principal stage of the events of the world, and he adds that it appears to him that the senator's prophecy is about to be fulfilled. Of such immense importance to the world is the Chinese situation regarded by the veteran statesmen of the age. A false step in one direction or the other, by any of the countries interested, might cause irreparable loss,

THE WORLD GROWING BETTER,

An eastern contemporary discusses the question whether the world is growing better, and takes the affirmative side, contrary to the opposite views that often are expressed. Some historical facts are referred to as evidence. The question is asked whether it is conceivable that such a

should ever again receive public recogis to be hoped that it is not made in nition of a British king, or that the profilgacy of the house of Hanover should ever return.

The relevancy of this evidence appears rather weak, though. The comparison should not be made between the kings and courtiers and historical personages of former years, and the present kings and statesmen. The real question is this, whether the morality, the plety, the honesty of the great masses of the people are more pronounced now than formerly. If we growing morally better or worse, we merely the few individuals who are after all merely a small part of the world. History may not be a perfectly relia-

tory as the result of conquest, it probably means that other powers will do the same thing. The lot of China is not an enviable one.

John Wannamaker Is said to have donated \$50,000 for the purpose of detecting election frauds in Philadelphia. Such a large investment should bring some returns even though small.

The press of the country is already beginning to discuss the educational effects of the campaign. It doubtless teaches many lessons, one of the not totally unimportant is, not to be too sure.

If election frauds have been committed anywhere in the country, the perpetrators certainly should be punished, but to cry fraud as a solace for defeat is babyish and shows a lack of good common sense.

About five million dollars worth of gold will come from Cape Nome this season. It is a large amount, but will scarcely pay for all the suffering and hardships and blasted hopes that have had to be gone through to get it.

The administration is making preparations to inaugurate a vigorous campaign against the Tagal rebels and to put down the insurrection. This is a case where, if it is to be done it were well if it were done quickly,

Two more of the Chinese anti-foreign leaders have been executed. How many more will suffer the same fate none can tell. They will probably be numerous, for the more that is learned of the connection of officials with the Boxer uprising, the greater their duplicity is shown to be. It was a most perfidious thing all the way through.

General Joe Wheeler, in his comments on the results of the election says: Wars are popular in this country and are growing more popular with the masses." We believe the gallant old general is greatly mistaken in this statement, and we certainly hope that he is. It can be but an evil day when wars become popular in this free land of America.

"HE YELLOW PERIL Boston Herald.

It is Interesting, therefore, to findand the finding throws some light upon Russian Asfatic policy—that M. de Mar-tens thinks that, unless the rights of nationality are freely accorded to the "hinese, it is possible to arouse in that ple a resentment which will serious affect the wellbeing of the civilized orld in the coming century. It is obis that, as the nearest neighbors of the Chinese, having a common bound-ary line running for thousands of miles, Russians keenly realize the un-irability of converting a great pasve force into a great active, beiliger-t force, though it must be added that idence is not wanting to show that ussian policy in encroaching upon 'hina has established a precedent which other European nations have beeved themselves justified in following.

Boston Transcript.

The great powers are now four, the United States, Britsin, Russia and Ger-many, with France a doubtful fifth and this country easily first in numbers and resources. In another century the five hundred millions will have trebled, possibly quadrupled, while the black and yellow races, judging the future by the ast, are to remain stationary with pos-ibly a tendency to retrograde. While in their hands. Are, then, the morals of



where he does not reside.

Residence in a precinct or county or the State, is not lost by temporary absence. Wherever a person's home is, there is his legal residence. He may go abroad or to any place away from home, but intending to return, his legal residence is his domicile. If he moves there will be his residence from the time he makes the change, with the mer and take up his abode in the latter.

The citizen in this case appears to have lost his vote at the recent election. If he had contended that he had not yet removed permanently from American Fork, he could have voted there. But he could not have voted in Lehi because he was not entitled to be registered there. Provision is made in the law for removals from one voting district to another in the same precinct, but not for removals from one precinct to another, within sixty days next preceding an election.

There appears to be no remedy for this apparent injustice short of an amendment to the State Constitution, unless a provision could be so constructed by the Legislature as to protect the right of a citizen to the elective franchise, in cases of removal from one precinct to another, without coming into direct contact with section two of article four of the State Constitution.

OBEY LAW AND ACCEPT TRUTH.

The disease which has bothered a great many people and puzzled conscientious physicians, and that has been dubbed "smallpox" for want of a more appropriate name, still continues to spread, and reports of its appearance are duly published by the press in this State, Every precaution and reasonable regulation to confine it within close limits should be supported by the pub-

Physicians should not attempt to conceal it from the boards of health and. patients should be willing to put up with the inconvenience of isolation, out of regard for the welfare of other persons. Quarantine rules are necessary to this end, but as we have previously remarked, they may be consistently vetablished at the residences of the afflict. ed, particularly when they are not in thickly populated neighborhoods,

It is runnored that there are cases which are not made known to the board of health, and therefore that body is unable to cope with the disease. One of these is reported at Murray, where it is said "a school teacher in one of the schools, has been attending to her school duties while the disease was runting its course." If that is true the conduct of the teacher was very reprehensible, for whatever the malady is, it is evidently coningious and the public ought to be protected from its spread with the disapproval of Germany. That as much as possible

Hut will not the learned doctors who are becoming familiar with this disor- and Great Britain will have the right der, freeze on to the palpable fact, that this cruption is essentially different in must take. If Russia, then, takes the

FAITH IN THE REPUBLIC.

Now that the smoke of the battle of ballots has cleared away and the time has come for reflection and renewed acfrom it to make his home elsewhere, tivity, the patriotic sentiments uttered a few days ago by Cardinal Gibbons at high mass can profitably be re-read and bona fide intention to forsake the for- contemplated by citizens of all partles, He sald:

"For my part, whatever may be the result of the Presidential election, I have an abiding faith in the perpetuity of our Republic. I have an unbounded confidence in the good sense and patri-otism of the American people. They love the Constitution. They cherish our political and civic institutions. They reverse the fathers of the country. The revere the fathers of the country. The illustrious founders of the nation, though they be dead, still live by their writings and example. Their light still shines upon us. Their voice is still beard in the land shines upon us, heard in the land,

"By the chart which they have left us, and by the aid of divine Providence, the ship of state will be safely guided through all time amid lowering clouds and troubled seas, between the Scylla of absolutism and despatism and the

"Add, thanks to God, from the foun-dation of the Republic, our chief rulers, whatever may have been their occa-sional errors of judgment, have always been actuated by patriotic motives and been actuated by patriotic motives and a solemn sense of duty in the govern-ment of the nation. And even had they been disposed to lead the country from the path of political rectifude, they would be debarred from so doing by the constitutional checks and gafeguards which confronted them on every side. "The nation has passed through many trying ordeals during the century which is drawing to a close, and has

which is drawing to a close, and has survived them all. The American peo-ple are as fruitful in resources now, and he as resourceful in the future as they were in past generations and with the blessing of Providence, they will be equal to every emergency that may arise.

The prelate is said to take no active part in politics, but on this occasion he cortainly interpreted, in eloquent terms the sentiments of all American citizens, Some act, at times, as if the very existence of the Republic depended on the adoption of their own little schemes and theories. But deep down in the heart of every man and woman with common conce lives the faith that the ship of state is guided through all breakers and winding passages, by a hand infinitely stronger than that of political candi-

dates and campaign managers.

HAS PARTITION COMMENCED?

There is among the dispatches an unconfirmed report that Russia has by proclamation annexed a portion of Chiness territory, by right of conquest. The dispatch is very indefinite and may perhaps be officially dealed, but there an be little doubt that Russla actually is reaching out for Chinese territory. even if the region in question has not

het been definitely appropriated. Such summary action would not meet power has already declared that if any country commences partition, Germany reserved to consider what steps they many of its symptoms from genuine | lead, Germany would undoubtedly fol-

the masses of the nations of the earth purer today than they were a hundred years ago? For instance, what would be the verdict, were the records of the divorce courts and criminal courts consulted on that question? Of course, the standards of morality may be higher now than formerly, and that circumstance should also be taken into consideration.

In one respect the human race certainly seems to have progressed very much, and that is in the ever narrowing circle of barbarism. Civilization is spreading. There is less cannibalism in the world than there was at the beginning of this century. The New Zealanders no longer make it a rule to eat their

brave enemies' hearts in order to assimilate their qualities. Cannibalism among American Indians is now almost unheard of. Even the wild Fuegians are believed to have given up the horrible practice. In Africa war is still waged for the purpose of securing slayes and human flesh, but civilization is rapidly penetrating the heart of that once dark continent, and before it cannibalism will recede and finally become extinct. There is one feature of the progress of mankind, which can be observed unmistakably. Whether the general morality of the world, and particularily the civilized part of it, is improving is a different question. A savage tribe may give up the revolting practice of eating human flesh, and yet not attain a higher moral level than it had before. Civilization does not always

purify. Coming events do not always cast their shadows before them.

The country still awaits election returns from Hawali, but is not anxious

over them, Celebrated as it is for its woods, Cuba's most celebrated one at present is

General Leonard, Wood. Chicago wants a deep water canal to

connect her with the Mississippi. She usually gets what she wants. The Cubana should be able to frame their constitution most handsomely. Their island is famous for its beautiful

WOODE. If four years ago it was proper to call him William the First, it is not inappropriate to call him William the Secnd now

Lack of votes on one side and preponlerance on the other, is the best explanation. All other explanations have to be explained.

If the Cuban constitutional conventop is long drawn out it will not be urprising. See how long drawn out s the Island Haelf,

out weather, there is nothing equal to he small boy.

Russian press comments on the result f the election in the United States are ot very gracious. They are not wholly mlike those of a Bear with a sore head.

If Russia has annexed Chinese terri- coran Building, Washington.

site tendencies are st strongly as at present, danger from these races need not be feared at least upon any international or world scale, and the ten million Boxers in buckram may be mustered out of our imagina-

Milwaukee Wisconsin.

The remark of Mrs. Chauncey Good-rich, at the Grand Avenue Congregational church, that the Boxer move ment in China was due to oppression the part of foreign nations which had wrung concessions from the Chihad wrung concessions from the oth-nese government, is in harmony with testimony from other competent ob-servers, who give the uprising of the Chinese a patriotic character rather than a mere manifestation of religious farmatidem. fanaticism.

San Francisco Chronicie.

The administration is committed to the policy of maintaining the "integ-ity" of China, but merely as an ab-stract proposition. It is nothing that we shall go to war about. The fact is that China is not now and has not for years been an independent nation. In various essentials of sovereignty she is controlled by the West. There are no signs that the West intends to surrender any part of this control, but, on the contrary, there is an evident intent to increase it. If this policy is persist-ed in it is quite certain that economy ed in it is quite certain that economy and convenience will soon compel Europe to discard all pretense of main-taining the "integrity" of the empire, and partition it among themselves. And the only people which can prevent this are the people of China,

Los Angeles Express.

There is now prospect that the anx-luos relatives will hint that their expenses incurred in this wild goose chase to a funeral that didn't happen, should be paid by the sick man. There will also be suggestions for the proper political sanitation of the yellow broth-er's habitation, and an approved bill of fare will be made out for his future guidance. There will also be promises made to make more frequent visits in the future, but at the same time the afflicted one will be gently advised not to stir out of the house for fear of catching something.

Boston Herald.

The present question now resolves it-The present question now resolves it-self into one of indemnity. It would be of advantage both to us and to the Chi-nese if this indemnity could be made to take the form, not of a monetary pay-ment, but of a practically general overthrow of those commercial barriers which have hitherto stood in the way of a participation by China in the trade of the world. If such a commercial change could be brought about, the various in terested powers could well afford to as sume on their own account the payment of such losses as their respective citizens may have sustained.



Among the contents of Lee's Texas Among the contents of Lee's Texas Magazine for October are these: "The Dug-Out by the Sand Dunes," by Flor-ence B. Crofford: "Her Hero," Bettie F. Hawkins: "Twilight," by Effle Smith; "Judge Not," by Alberta Lee, and editorial and literary notes .- Dallas, Texas,

The November number of the Nation Many things follow the flag but for sersistency in following it in fair and four weather, there is nothing equal to writes about the Manifa Observatory and Frederick H. Newell contributes an interesting paper on "The Limited Water Supply of the Arid Region." "Hurricanes on the Coast of Texas," is the subject treated on by Gen. A. W. Greely, and the concluding article is by John B. Torbert, on "Africa the Largest Game Preserve in the World."-107 Cor.