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## THE MOMENTOUS QUESTION

That there are at least two sides to every public question is generally conceded. It may therefore be admitted that the present water-bonds question is not all one-sided. There is to be a comparison of the opposing sides on this matter tonight. The Commercial Club of this city-a recognized important factor in local affairs-will afford opportunity for the desired presentation. Every fact and proposition associated with the vital question of a permanent and suitable water supply for this city, ought to be brought out clearly.

However, the immediate point to be considered is the voting on the proposed bonds. The terms on which negotiations shall be entered into for the exchange of water, and all the disputed matters which objectors have urged, may consistently be made secondary to the main proposition now confronting the taxpayers. An election is to be held in a few days-Jan. 3, 1904, to vote upon the question of giving power to the city authorities to vote "Yes" or "No," on the issuance of bonds for \$1,000,000 at four per cent interist per annum, for the purpose of securing an increased water supply and

N. Hoxie of the Reorganized Church of Latter-day Saints, who lives at Boston, has told the New York World that suman sacrifices are now re-quired of violators of the Endowment house oaths in Utah. Amnog other things, Elder Hoxie says: "I have written a letter to the senate

committee on privileges and elections it Washington, advising them to call is a witness Joseph Smith, leader of the Reorganized church, a son of Jo-seph Smith, the prophet. He knows of persons who escape.! from the Endowment house and the terrible fate that awaited them, and who fled from the state, barely escaping with their lives. These people could tell the committee some interesting facts. The practise

some interesting facts. The practise of sacrificing human beings. I have every reason to believe, is going on now, only in greater secrecy than ever. If the proper authorities would go to Salt Lake City armed with government search warrants, and search every building, there is no question in my mind but that they would run across

some startling evidence. "The committee would be perfectly justified in denying Reed Smoot his seat, since as an apostle of the Mormon Thurch his oath of allegiance to his church takes precedence over his oath to the government.""

The occupation of gatherer-in of such gutter-rakings as that may or muy not be congenial to the sender of the dispatch, but it found a suitable repository in the paper that has reproduced it for the enjoyment of its editors and a certain class of its readers. "The practice of sucrificing human beings, I have every reason to belleve, is going on now, only in greater secrecy than ever," may have been stated by some semi-lunatic or anti-"Mormon" fanatic, who thinks he may He in doing what he views as God's service, but why should any paper print it that has the slightest claim to respectability or desire for fairness? There is as much falsehood in the in-

ference it conveys as in the belief it expresses, for it implies the actual perpetration in the past of the crimes mentioned, in addition to the suspicion conveyed of its present practice, and

the whole palpable falsehood is of the yellowest and most infamous type. We are aware that the "leader of the Reorganized church" is a vehement opponent of the Church which has continued in direct and unbroken line as established by his inspired father, but we do not believe for a moment he would endorse such statements as those alleged to have been made by an elder in the "Reorganization." And we hope he will have the grace to repudiate such an implication as that ascribed to "elder Hoxie," whoever he may be. The resentment we feel and desire mildly

to express, is against the raking up of such diabolical scraps of scandal and foulnes, telegraphing them as important. and "special" news items, and spreading them before the world in aid of a cause that will one day be viewed by mankind as among the most repreheneible and contemptible combinations ever entered into, for the villification of a religious body, and the accomplishment of a barefaced and iniquinus religio-political conspiracy. Such measures ought to be condemned by every decent person and paper in the civilized

DESERET EVENING NEWS: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1904, ing likenesses of persons. They were prohibited from doing so, lest that

should lead to idolatry. Any portrait of Christ must therefore have been drawn after His death, either from memory or from a description furnished by some one who had seen Him. Whether \* portrait printed under such circumstances can be a faithful represontation of the original must be daubted. The chief importance attaches, not to a

true portrait of Christ, in painting or sculpture, but to the faithful reproduction of His characteristics in the daily

## RELIGION AND POLITICS.

An eastern exchange calls attention to the fact that neither a Baptist, nor a Lutheran, nor a Roman Catholic has occupied the excited position of United States President.

The falth of Presidents is given in detail. There have been two Congregational Presidents-John Adams, the second President, and John Quincy Adams, his son. President Roosevelt is the second.

President of the Reformed Dutch Church, Martin Van Buren having been the first. Millard Fillmore was a Unitarian, the only Unitarian President.

Washington, William Henry Harrison, John Tyler and Zachary Taylor were Episcopalians, as was Chester A. Arthur,

There have been five Presbyterian Presidents-Andrew Jackson, James K. Polk James Buchanan, Benjamin Harrison and Grover Cleveland. President Garfield was a member of

the Church of the Disciples. Prior to the civil wor there had been no Methodist President of the United

States. Since 1861 the following Presidents have been Methodists; Abraham Lincoln Johnson, Gen. Grant, R. B. Hayes and William McKinley. The writer barely hints at the injus-

ice of the total exclusion of the Baptist denomination, one of the most numerous in the country. Is he not aware that religion and politics always are kept widely apart in this country?

Just about enough snow fell to make a snow image.

Half a loaf on a holiday is better than no loaf at all.

## On the Panama canal the dirt does not yet fly but time does.

Good holiday advice-Neither borrower nor a spender be.

There's no place like home-for about three days after Christmas.

If Dr. Chadwick cannot be extradited from New York he can be extraindicted in Cleveland,

toothache for making and keeping a stiff upper lip.

Morocco wants American trade.

America can fill any and all of her

#### FUTURE CENTER OF COMMERCE. Kansas City Journal.

It takes ages to change the commercial and financial center of the world. When one is once established it shi ts tardily and only long after it has ceased to be the most convenient place for the greatest number of people. There the greatest number of people. There have been but a comparatively few such centers in the history of com-merce. For centuries their location was on the Mediterranean sea or its tribu-taries. Carthage, Rome, Constantino-ple, Vienna followed one another at long intervals. With the growth of the Anglo-Saxon and Germanic races and the development of occan traffic the location shifted to nor hern. Europe. the development of occar traffic the location shifted to nor hern Europe. Then came Bruges, Antwerp, Amster-dam, and itnally London, where it still remains. But the signs of the times now point to another change. The United States holds one-fourth of the world's stock of gold and controls over one-third of the world's headlone row one-third of the world's banking pow-

## A REAL LADY.

New York Tribune. A London cabman had brought suit against a woman for not paying the legal fare, and his constant remark ns, "She ain't a lady." "Do you know lady when you see one?" asked the idge. "I do, yer honor. Last week a was, "She ain't a lady." udge. lady gave me a sovr'n instead of a shillin', and I called: Beg pardon, mad em, I've got a sovr'n instead of a shil-lin,' and she shouts back. Well, you old fool keep the change and get dru with it!' That's wot I calls a lady!' trunk

#### MALE AND PEMALS DUVERS.

#### London Truth.

Whereas some women will go into a ast establishment intent on spending a certain sum, say; on an article of dress and will successively scrutinize half a dozen things besides what she originally wanted and retire without buying any, a man will stray in withou any fixed plan of purchase and will sometimes purchase large quantities of goods that he never dreamed of wanting when he entered the shop.

## TALK OF INTERVENTION.

St. Paul Globe, Talk about an effort to intervene in the Orient between Russia and Japan has been resumed. It is well understood that, although everybody in America is obliged to deny that any-thing unusual is going on, the different governments would be very glad to put an end to the terrible shaughter in the Date Without the East. Hitherto they have run up against the flat refusal of Russia either to listen to or to permit any suggestion of the sort.

### NEW POLICY IN FINANCE.

New York Tribune.

Prince Obolensky, the new governor of Finland, is trying various arts of propitiation upon that country, reversing the repressive policy of his prede-cessor, Bobrikoff, which led, for him, to such tragical results. The prince has convoked the Finnish diet, and has declined to interfere in the elections. He seems to want the representatives really to represent the people so that Russia can ascertain authentically their desires. The prince has just made tour of observation through the country, studying its condition diligently and sympathetically, and has assured the people that the government means well by them, and is anxious to meet all their reasonable wishes, Among There is nothing like a good racking these the desire for restored nationality optimizes for making and keeping a is not included but in the scheme of concillation pretty nearly everything else is admitted. Two or three newspapers are to be started in the place o those which were suppressed, and it is promised that these shall not be "edited by the government," which will be rather a new departure in Russian journalistic policy.



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sewage system for Salt Lake City. The Deseret News has been outspoken

for many years against increased taxation, by which the burdens of the people would be increased instead of lightened. It has also opposed the esitablishment of water commissions. which we viewed as contrary to vested powers in existing authorities. But on the present vital question we stand solidly for the issuance of the proposed bonds, as we recognize that it would not be the means of increasing the load upon the taxpayers, nor of making new offices, nor of depriving the municipallty of any lawful powers, but would make possible and sure a project for the permanent increase of our water supply that has been considered for many years, and also of extending the sewage system into quarters where It is sadly needed.

There are questions associated with this project that may be necessary yet to consider and debate. These ought to be viewed in the calm light of narroll and with a view to expediency. And every purty or personal consideration should be shut out of the discussion. The good of the city, the welfare of the inhabitants, the increase of our bust ness affairs, all dependent on the water supply, should be paramount. But out point today is this: Keep the bonds question where it belongs, separate from the disputes on other matters, and let us come together on the proposition to vote for the issuance of the bonds.

There are many misconceptions as to the bargains to be consummated, the security of a full supply to make propesed exchanges, the relative advantages to be had on either side, other and kindred toples,' which can all be settled and a full understanding be had, if this has not been reached by the explanations already published but now let us come together, and make the project possible of settling this water question for good and all, which cannot be done without voting "Yes on the issuance of the bonds. That is the momentous question, and all the rest can be disposed of, each item in its turn, when it is known that the city can go-ahead and obtain the means absolutely necessary for the work to be done. Pull together!

## CONTEMPTIBLE METHODS.

During the latest crusade against the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, under cover of an attempt to unseat the junior United States Senator from Utah, a number of sensational stories have been set afoot for the purpose of arousing and maintaining popular prejudice, which is very easily excited when "Mormonism" is mentioned Many of these have been repetitions of scandalous tales told years and years ago but revived for present use. Others have been whole-cloth fabrications of a more modern style, but out out for the same purpose. Added to these have been the cunning yet transparent distortions of fact and sophistries in argument by the Salt Lake paper that has made a specialty of anti-"Mormon" matter for daily distribution. But we think the vilest bit of abominable false. hood set forth in the shape of news, is contained in a purported "special," that appeared in the Salt Lake Tribune of tent authority.

Monday, Dec. 25, and displayed on its It is not probable that any portrait front page, as follows:

PICTURES OF CHRIST.

long felt wants. A timely article at this season ap-The Czar promises his people many pears in the current number of Public reforms. In fact Russia is getting to Opinion on "Likenesses of Christ in be a regular land of promise. Art." It consists of quotations from a paper by Sir Wyke Bayliss, president of the Royal Society of British Artists Ada Isaac Menkin wrote a book on this subject, in which the author called "Infelicia." Cassie L. Chadwick sets forth the somewhat exceptional should write one entitled, "Insecuriview, that existing portraits of ties' Christ are, in the main, true to the original. It has generally been sup-The people of Salt Lake City symposed that these paintings represented pathize with the President in his fight only the ideals of the respective artists. on the smoke nuisance. May success

but Sir Wyke maintains the authenbe his! ticity of the existing pictures. He arrives at this conclusion by "You must never allow yourself to reprocess of reasoning similar to that treat," said Kuropatkin to his troops by which theologians establish the at Mukden. They must do no more genuineness of the Scriptures. He goes than retire, back, step by step, until he comes to the earliest ages, and the similarity The London correspondent of the between all the existing portraits, he New York Sun says Joseph Chamberthinks, can be accounted for only on

the supposition that they all have for several strokes of great luck in changprototype a common original. ing his polltics. The paintings of Raphael, Corregio, Michaelangelo, and Albert Duerer, he says, takes us back to the period of the Renalssance. Their paintings of Christ exhibit a most striking similarity. Then he proceeds to consider the freacoes in the catacombs. These, he country, no doubt. claims, are mostly from the third and second centuries. There are two likenesses in the catacombs-one that of a Roman youth, and the other that fraud suits who has never been elected which reappears in the paintings of to office because he is too honest. This the masters. One is symbolical, the must be a man without a country.

other, we are told, is clearly a real like-But Eir Wyke considers the "patera" still more convincing. He explains what these are. In carly ages of the church they would lay the body of their dead upon a layer of fresh mortar, Be-Russian bear is. fore the grave was closed a sacramental cup would be placed near the head of the corpse. The veasels were of glass and would fall to pieces, while their base would imbed itself in the mortar, and be preserved. On these bases the same likeness of Christ has been found. There are portraits of John, of Paul, of the danger and hideth himself.

Peter, and of Christ. Another testimony is drawn from

saics of the basilicas, the pictures on

the sacramental vessels, the pateras, and the Veronicas, form, according to

the author quoted, very strong testi-

mony in favor of the authenticity of

the likeness preserved to us as that of

the Redeemer. As will be readily seen,

the strength of the argument depends

entirely on the statement that the vari-

ous pictures given us are in the main

identical. This is denied by compe-

The edict has gone forth that emthe go-called Veronicas. The leployes of the French foreign office must gend is that Veronica, pitying shave their mustaches and beards. In Jesus, as He went to His death, wiped free America the government lets its the sacred countenance with a plece of employes wear mustaches and beards if cloth, and that His portrait was miracthey wish to. It only compels Indians ulously impressed on the fabric. Sir to cut their hair. Wyke says the Veronicas are facecloths from the graves of the first mar-The dear teachers whose little souls tyrs, on which Roman artists had were troubled over the children's bepainted a likeness of Christ, as the ief in Santa Claus may now rest Romans very often burled the dead them in peace for Santa Claus has with a picturecloth on their faces. The gone not to return for a year. Not for paintings of the renaissance, the mo-

> Colorado promises to have the pret. tiest gubernational mess of any state in the Union. On the face it looks as though a great scheme was being hatched to deprive Alva Adams of the governorship by any means that promise success. The Centennial state, of late years, has been the scene of more lawlessness, in one form or another, than any other of the fourty-five. It is

his existence be monted.

was made during the lifetime of Christ. a regrettable matter for it has all the "Washington, Dec. 25 .-- Elder Albert The Jews did not believe in reproduc- I resources of a truly great state.

## RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

In the January number of the Woman's Home Companion, Marion Har-land writes on "My Twelve Favorite Recipes." Other articles of Interest to the housewife are "How to Bring Up the children," "Mrs. Sangster's Home Page," "A Calendar Party," "For the Girl Who Earns Her Own Living," "Mottoes for the New Year," "Under-wear for the Little Folks," "Some Fam-ous Old Virgin Dishes." The double page contains a number of photographs showing the charm of old age. Henry showing the charm of old age. Henry Irving Dedge has a dramatic story of modern business, "The Epoch-Making Struggle for Northern Pacific," and Fritz Morris writes on "When Roy-alty Goes Visiting," The fiction in-cludes "The King of Diamonds," by Louis Tracy: "Uncle Peleg's Queer Will," by Frederick Smith, and "Fath-er," by Owen Oliver-The Crowell Pub-lishing Co., Springfield, O.





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