

THE STAGE AND ITS INFLUENCE.

A WELL-CONDUCTED, properly managed Theatre is an agency that can be used very effectively for the education and improvement of the people.

In London, a few years ago, Charles Kean got up a series of Shakespearian representations—we believe he called them Revivals—in all of which the appointments, costumes, scenery, &c., were copied, with strict fidelity, after the fashion which prevailed in the United States.

The representations of historical plays upon our stage in this city have been attended with one excellent effect which we have had occasion to notice.

When we consider this influence to the Stage it follows as a matter of course that it should be jealously watched and no play be put upon the boards, respecting the tendency of which there can be any doubt.

The stage being a school where lessons on deportment, manners, language, gestures, &c., are given, it is of the first importance that performers should never sink beneath the dignity of their profession.

It should always be avoided. It shocks the mature, and breeds a familiarity in the minds of the young which is not desirable.

The obsolete and antiquated pronunciation of words, such as per-sever, instead of persevere, though probably defensible on critical grounds in blank verse, has a tendency to mislead.

It is not in a spirit of captious criticism that we allude to these things. We fully recognize the difficulties which managers and performers have had and still have to contend with.

EXTENSION OF BOUNDARIES.

Speech of Hon. W. H. Hooper, of Utah, delivered in the House of Representatives, February 23, 1899.

But, sir, the argument already becomes stale, for it is now patent to the world that the people of Utah are among the most thrifty of those which compose our common country.

And, sir, dark in contrast with this unselfish devotion to duty rises up before me the picture of the vandal violence that drove them from the sacred walls just as their work was finished, and applied the incendiary torch to destroy the splendid structure.

During the following year, every month was an unending period of sowing and reaping, though the winter was a tedious and all things so favorable, they were reduced in provisions as to eat the hideous slaughtered animals and eagerly searched them out of the ditches and torn them from the roofs of the houses to boil them for the table, and they dug side by side with the miserable Utahs by their tools used by them for food.

But better defenders soon came to their aid. These were the most beautiful birds of the valley, the gray wild geese, with bright red beaks and feet, dove-like in color and motion, with plumage of downy texture and softness.

lovers of peace. Much of this good feeling I am deeply gratified to state, is due to the recent impartial legislation, and the kindness and courtesy which has uniformly been extended by the House to the Delegate to whom they have confided their interests on this floor.

But, sir, let us for a moment contemplate the other alternative, and inquire what would eventuate from the success of this measure, supposing such a success within the limits of possibility.

I have spoken to you of a people whose industry and energy had not a few of the luxuries of refined life; expelled by lawless force into the wilderness, seeking an untried home far away from the scenes which their previous life had endeared to them; moving onward, destitute, hunger-sickened, and sinking with disease; bearing along with them their wives and children, the aged and the poor and the decrepit; toiling daily on their march the offices of devotion, the ties of family and friendship, and charity, sharing necessities and braving dangers together, cheerful in the midst of want and trial, and persevering until they had reached our frontier lines.

Abandoning all appeal to the cowardly, who are seldom generous, I turn to the courageous, who are strong in the conviction of their own moral power, and tell them that if Mormonism is a false heresy they owe it to their own undisciplined intellects to disregard none of the legitimate means of argument and justice for their convictions.

But, sir, the confessed object of this bill is to entirely destroy the Territory of Utah and place its people, so far as possible, in the power of the hostile class that I have been inspiring this action. It is admitted that if this bill shall pass the next movement will be to utterly abolish the Territorial government.

Let us follow the machinations of these men till they have succeeded in securing so much of official control as will enable them to exasperate the temper of the Mormons by technical abuses so easy to practice, and so difficult to resist.

Let us suppose the collision which a temper like that which urges this bill will be sure to invite to actually take place, and the citizens to have been exasperated beyond the limits of forbearance, affording a pretext for such measures of force, both official and private, as shall render their peaceful residence in Utah impossible.

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THEATRE. First and Only BENEFIT OF J. A. HERNE. On which occasion he will appear in conjunction with LUCILLE WESTERN.

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LECTURE. MRS. AUGUSTA NINA ST. CLAIR. WHOM SHALL I MARRY? On Friday Evening, April 2nd, 8 o'clock.

LADIES! Just Arrived by Express. A very choice selection of MILLINERY AT Mrs. COLEBROOK'S. Two doors south of Post Office.

NOTICE. ALL persons indebted to me will confer a favor by calling to settle immediately, as I am about opening a New Co-operative Store in Ogden City.

THE CITY CO-OPERATIVE POTTERY ASSOCIATION. ANNOUNCE to the Public that in consequence of having commenced business on the 1st of April, they are prepared to sell their ware at greatly reduced prices.

U. S. ASSESSOR'S ADVERTISEMENT. ALL APPEALS to the Assessor of Internal Revenue relative to erroneous or excessive assessments, assessments of assessments, made and taken by Assistant Assessors in the Divisions of Utah District, must be made in writing at my office, in Salt Lake City, on or before the 15th day of April, 1899.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. MULBERRY TREES FOR SALE. THE UNDERSIGNED offers for sale the best stock of Mulberry Trees in the Territory.

Change of Business! JOHN READING, 13th Ward, S. L. City. Opposite W. S. Godbe's Octagon House.

SELLING OFF. IMMENSE STOCK. Consisting of a large variety of Ladies', Gentlemen's, Boys', Girls' and Children's.

BOOTS & SHOES. FASHIONABLE. HATS AND CAPS. WE ARE DETERMINED TO CLEAR OUT Eastern Cost!

DUNFORD & SONS. NOTICE. THE undersigned respectfully announce to the Public that they have consolidated their business, and that on and after the 25th of November, will carry on their business at 215 1/2 1st St., in the City of Salt Lake, in the style and firm of Little, Garrett & Co.

SINGER'S SEWING MACHINES! WE wish again to call attention to these justly celebrated Sewing Machines, and their excellence to the large number of our families to whom we have sold them, and whose families are now using them, to prove their superiority over all others.

FOR SALE. 25 Span of A No. 1 Hules and Harness. They are now at BENTON'S, and will be in the City from the 1st to 15th of April.

AGENCY for Utah. We shall keep constantly on hand A GOOD SUPPLY. And an assortment of Needles and Fixtures.

BISSETT & ROBERTS, AGENTS. We wish to distinctly understand that we WARRANT EVERY MACHINE to give satisfaction, or will return the money.