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THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

If the conditions prevailing in our age were viewed from the heights of history, where the spectator no longer sees the small details but only the larger outlines, they would attract special attention. If there ever were "signs of an approaching change in the economy of the world, there are such Figns now

We read of storms and floods, as if the very elements were in unusual commotion.

The plague is abroad. From Persla comes word that 200 deaths occur daily at Teheran, from cholera. The populace is panic-stricken, husiness is suspended and the necessaries of life are hardly procurable. All residents who were able to do so have fied the city. Processions patrol the streets at night, and the air is rent with shricks of lamentations and invocations.

The ravages of war during the last decade are all the more remarkable, because of the constant peace talk that accompanies, as the sweet chords of a harp, the ominous booming of cannon It is, "peace, prace!" while there is no. peace. It is doubtful whether history has a more ranguinary record than that which is now being written in and around Port Arthur.

Then look at the business world. One part is heaping up treasures, while antion. The missionary stations to figure out any victories for the Rusare revolutionary centers in the same slans sense that light always must cause a revolution against darkness," truth against error. But that kind of revolution is justified.

France, as will be remembered, a few years ago seized an island and demanded the payment of certain debts. about which there had been controversy. At the same time, demand was made for all the privileges for French subjects in Turkey that they desired. Europe stood by France in that, for most of the privileges that France demanded, especially those relating to

missions and mission schools, were desired by all the Christian powers for this. their foreign missionary societies. This gave our government an excuse for

making similar demands. It is a pity that "missions" should be supported by threats and guns. It would be infinitely better if this country, professing to believe in the complete separation of church and state, would set the world an example in missionary work supported by spirtiual means only. But, this is not to be. The only question now is, if the Sultan continues to prevaricate, how far does our government care to go in the defense of American interests, and dig-

FOR CHURCH SCHOOLS.

nity?

Advance copies of Bulletin No. 2 of the Latter-day Saints University, bearing date of September 1st, have come to this office. The principal feature of this issue is the annual report of the president, which occupies most of the space, and the principal feature of the report is an argument in behalf of the Church system of education.' After exhibiting the condition and progress of the school and representing the plans for next year's work, the aims and ideals of the institution are taken up." In the consideration that follows the function of Church schools is discussed at length, and an exposition of the mission of these institutions is given. It is shown, in this discussion, that the best time for the religious training of the youth is during the high-school period of life. "That time," the report says, "as powerfully illustrated in the case of the boy Joseph Smith, is just when the dictates of reason begin to demand a cause, a proof, an explanation, of beliefs, actions and creeds. This is the time when youthful minds awaken to the importance of the problems of life, religion, and immortality." The

THE WAR.

write for it.

publication is an interesting one, and

will be sent free to any one who will

The Russo-Japanese was is also being fought in the columns of an Ogden contemporary, one writer standing up for Russia and predicting final Russian victory, while another defends Japan, or more specially the friend of Japan, Great Britain. There are many sympathizers with

Japan in this country, and a wish is frequently expressed for the complete triump of the Mikado's forces. Nor can it be denied that, so far, Japan has proved herself progressive, straight

religion by seeking to join it with the rum traffic.

The Japanese cannot deny that they are guilty of assault and battery on Port 'Arthur.

Possibly China's neutrality has not been violated but it has been sadly trifled with.

Dare and dasent, describer the naval situation at Shanghai, so far as the Japanese and Russians are concerned. Utah's welfare as a state depends

upon no one man, but candidates and their friends are quite apf to forget

An lowa judge has decided that profanity is not evidence of insanity. Had he found that it is an evidence of depravity he still would have been right.

Judge Parker thinks it would be improper for him to make any campaigu speeches. This does not mean that if he should go on the stump he would make improper speeches.

Sfr Thomas Lipton is finding a good deal of difficulty in securing a builder for Shamrock IV. He will find a great deaf more trouble when Shamrock IV

meets the new defender. Nat Herreshoff thinks he knows as much about designing yachts as the

Kaiser does, and refused to be "bossed" by his majesty. Perhaps he does but It comes mighty near being lese majeste to suy so. The Mining congress can make no selection of a permanent home that will

compare with Salt Lake City. It has every advantage offered by any other city and very many not offered by any other., If it makes the wisest choice it will choose this city and none other. Russia has made loud complaints

about Japan's violation of Chinese neutrality, but now Russia herself refuses to take the Askold and Grovozoi out of Shanghal harbor or to disarm them. The action is both childish and churlish. It is as true in international law as in equity that those who seek relief must come into court with clean hands.

Many people of this community have objected to the Sunday automobile races, on the ground that that day should be dedicated to other uses. It is therefore pleasant to notice that a change has been made in this respect. As will be seen by the advertisement, the race will be held Wednesday instead. Now let the variety show that is labeled "sacred concert" go, too.

Anarchy has broken out again in Cripple Creek. The rights of the men who were summarily deported are, in the eyes of the law, as sacred as those of the men who deported them. This fact is ignored by the state and county officials and the consequence is that Colorado is earning a most unenviable reputation for anarchy and lawlessless. In Colorado there are lawbreakers and lawbreakers it seems.

MONEY IN THE MOUTH.

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Philadelphia Inquirer. Do you ever put money in Do you ever take the nickel mouth? for carfare between your take the nicken for carfare between your teeth while you replace the glove you removed to search for the nickel? Did it ever oc-cur to you what goes into your mouth with the nickel? Where has the nickel wandered since it came from the mint? Imagine its journeys and perhaps you won't care to thrust it between your tech or to hold it in your lips for even the fraction of a second. Who else has the fraction of a second. Who else has held it in his mouth? In whose pocket has it reposed? From what filthy sutter has it been rescued by a sharp-eyed youngster, and who lost it there?

RECENT PUBLICATIONS. The September number of the Burr-

McIntosh Monthly is another artistic gem. Its portraits, color panels, and panoramic views are triumphs of the modern art of printing.—The Burr Pub-lishing Co., 4 Wegt, Twenty-second West, Twenty-second Street, New York.

In Wayside Tales for September short stories and articles on timely topics constitute the list of contents. Among the contributors are opte Read, Oscar Wilde, Swami Abhayaranda, and many others-255 Dearborn Street, Chi-E R

Food Topics for August presents recloses menus, articles on physical train-ing, fashions, domestic science and arts, and closes with a story. It has an abundance of helpful hints and suggestions .- Milwaukee, Wis.

The Red Book for September contains a dozen, or more, short storles, all of the kind that hold the interest of the reader, to the end. An attrac-tive feature of this magazine is its collection of photographic art studies. -158 State St., Chicago, Ill.

Magazine opens with an interesting pa-er, "Memories of the Beginning and End of the Southern Confederacy," by End of the Southern Confederacy," by Louist Wigfall Wright. This is fol-lowed by this list: "Babe Randolph's Turning-point," Robert Alexander Wa-son: "In the Closed Room." Frances Hodgson: "The House of Fulfilment," George Madden Martin: "One Hundred Mastarpieces of Palinting," John La Farge: "The Friendly Fog," Henry C. Rowland: "Rodesvelt and the Postal Frauds." William Alten White: "The Realm of Enchantment," Samuel Hop-kins Adams; "The History of the Standard Oil Company, part two: The Price of Oil," Idae M. Tarbell; "The Chump," Charles Fleming Embree, and "To a Wood Path," Florence Wilkin-son. The cover has a fine portrait of Descider Descide son. The cover has a fine portrait of President Roosevelt, and the magazine is finely 'illustrated throughout.--



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other is fighting and shedding blood for the privilege of earning daily bread. Was there ever a more unreasonable condition in the world of labor? Further, we see on all hands the increase of erime. The world is gradually being filled with violence, as in the days of Noah, and the so-called churches are inundated by the spirit of the world. Such are the conditions that would appall us, could we view them in the true perspective.

The past has a lesson that should not be unheeded. There was a time when the Roman nation, for instance, was virtuous and free. The Romans were simple enough to elevate virtue to the position of gods and godesses. They worshiped and offered sacrifices to valor, truth, faith, modesty, charity, and so on. They were a moral people then, fit to exercise an influence upon the rest of the world. But their simple ideas passed away. Their philosophers ridiculed their worship, sowing the seeds of doubt and unbelief. They commenced to worship wealth instead, and a fearful race for Mammon took place, in which the common people were tram. pled down, for the benefit of the nobles, Slavery became common, and the strength of Rome, which was liberty, was undermined. Elections soon became a matter of bargain. "Money!" was the wild cry of all; to make money the only ambition. Rome in this way became ripe for destruction, and it came, when the ruthless hordes of Asia poured in and executed the fearful de-

crees of the Almighty. History is explicit enough, but will the world be warned?

THE TURKISH QUESTION.

The Constantinople correspondent of the London Standard thinks that the Sultan of Turkey has not yielded to the American demands, although his ministers counseled him to do so. And he quotes in proof of this, that the Turkish ruler did not receive our minister in audience after last Friday's "selamlick," as was expected he would do. It is quite possible that Abdul Hamid is of the opinion, that the American squadron would not dare to bom bard a Turkish port, and he is not so very far from correct lu this conclusion. For we fancy the American people would demand other justification for an act of war than really is offered by the situation in Turkey. In the case of Spain It took the sinking of an American ship, and the killing of hundreds of American sallors, to rouse the nation to war frenzy. Still, he may presume too much on American patience. Any slight to the American official representative in Constantinople would be particularly dangerous to the Sultan's peace.

The Sultan feels justified in his course toward the Americans in Turkey, many of whom are missionaries there, by the fact that the missionary stations are said to be centers of revolutionary influences. This the missionaries deny. but it is impossible that the natives who come in contact with civilization, should not feel its influence and thereby become, indirectly at least, disseminators of the seeds of revolu-

forward, and worthy of a place in the front ranks of nations, more than Russia. But the great question remains. What will Japan do, when she becomes the dominant power in Asia, the leader of the public sentiment of China, and perhaps of India? That is a question for the future. There can be no doubt that Japan even now is aiming at supreme influence in the Chinese capital. Her peremptory demands upon China regarding the observance of neutrality, and her own violation of China's neutral rights, prove this, . Japanese victory means a new era for the world, in which Asia will again come forward on the stage of history.

China is already awakening. According to press dispatches, Sir Robert Hart has presented to the Chinese government a vast scheme for reform. This involves the raising of the revenue. and the building of a powerful navy. as well as the creation of a national army of half a million, men, equipped and drilled according to the European pattern. If China accepts this reform, in a few years she will be a formidable power,

It is also stated that the empress dowager has already determined to appoint a vicegerent for Manchuria. . This means that China is no longer under Russian influence. It means that, if necessary, she will take a hand in the war game. China, evidently, regards Russian domination at an end. It is very difficult to take sides in a war between two such antagonists as Russia, with her Record, and Japan, with her national ambition. Nor is It necessary to take sides. History is being made rapidly by this war, but the outcome, whatever it may be, will furthey the plans of Providence for the perfection of the human race.

THE DESERET FARMER.

Utah has long felt the need of a first class up+to-date farm paper, one that the agriculturist could look to for information and practical instruction upon all llues of farming adapted to the conditions which exist in this state. Dr. John A. Widtson, director of the Utah Experiment Station, assisted by Prof. Lewis A. Merrill, agronomist of the Utah Agricultural College, and others, have undertaken to supply this need in the publication of the Deseret Farmer, an eight-page weekly paper. The well known talent and ability of the managing editors, with the aid of contributors who have been successful in special lines of farming in this state, insure a paper that will be indispensable to every farmer who would keep abreast of the times in his chosen calling; and we bespeak for the Deseret Farmer the success if deserves.

Isn't it about time for Russia to cry Nuff? When Krupp works overtime The Hague tribunal rests. The Czar has a boy but he still needs

many more men in the Far East.

The Chefoo faker doesn't seem able but who recoil from the desecration of

BISHOP POTTER'S EXPERIMENT. New York World. "good" saloon better than a "bad" saloon, or is it worse? This in substance is the issue between Bishop Potter and the critics that have assalled him for participating in the open-ing of the Subway Tavern. Bishop Potter contends that inasmuch as men always have drunk fermented and dis-tilled liquors, and are always likely to, it is better to have the traffic conduct-ed under conditions that involve the the least Lossible degradation and ts possible benefit to the con-The bishop's critics insist that greatest | ossible sumer. The bishop's critics insist that the dvin) mg of all intoxicants is sin-ful, that the sale of intoxicants is the devil's occupation, and that the more tenpelable the saloon is made superficially the more dangerous it becomes to the morals of the community. It is the the aid theological contention that the good deeds of the wicked only in-crease the enormity of their sin. Two such scheels of controversy can hardly find a common ground, but in the practical experience of life the weight of evidence inclines toward Bishop Pot-ter's theory. The police, at any rate, was agree with the bishop. They know that the criminal product of the "dives"

argument that counts for something in measuring the moral value of the Subway experiment. New York Sun.

is vastly in excess of the criminal pro-due; of orderly saloons, and this is an

The truth is, he has reduced the whole matter to an absurdity. There is no reason for the "storm in the religlous world" which our clerical corre-spondent says will be raised. The proceeding was no more than an ex-pression of individual eccentricity on pression of individual eccentricity on the part of the bishop, who sometimes acts from impulse; and in this partic-ular case an impulse which comes from a creditable hatred of hypocricy. "If I drink myself," says the bishop, practically, "why should I not help other people to drink, so long as they do it in a decent way?" But he forgets that he is not a law for everybody else. He can afford to drink and to in-dulge in other luxuries which a poor dulge in other luxuries which a poor man must forego. At bottom it is di-rectly rather an economic than a moral question. However it may be with hishors, absolute sobriety and the curbing of appetites are necessary to mer who must work for their living.

New York Herald.

Those who live in the country, who have space and air and social recrea-tion, can form no notion of the condi-tions under which multitudes exist in this city. Neither can the well-to-do New Vector living. this city. Neither can the well-to-do New Yorker living in comfortable quarters and having his club at hand when he needs diversion or companion ship. A toller who exists with his family and cookstove in three stuffy concinent rooms has nowhere to go fo space, air, companionship and rest but to a saloon-cafe, tavern-call it what you will. Too often the only place near by is an ordinary stand-up bar-room where there is no encouragement to converse or play innocent games, but every encouragement to get drunk - and aulekty Kansas City Star.

It cannot be that a man in Bishop Patter's station of life and with his pretensions to good breeding could make himself so ineffably cheap as to go into the subway tavern experiment for the sake of notoriety. If there is room for such an amazing hypothesis the Bishop must now be ready to ad-mit that he has making overshot the mark, His critics are not wholly "of mark, His critics are not wholly "of the household faith" or of the "com-monwealth of Israel," but they include a countless number of people of the orld who are not strangers to salo

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