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THE POLICY WE MAY EXPECT.

It becomes necessary to refer once more to the endeavors of the Salt Lake Tribune to place the authorities of the "Mormon" Church in a false light before the public. The "News" has published, by direction of the First Presidency, a denial of the statements of the Tribune that George H. Crosby, Jr., had received a "call" to go from Utah to Arizona to practice law; that he had been "set apart" for this purpose during the recent conference; and that a number of young lawyers were to follow, selected by the Church authorities to go into that territory to control its politics.

Notwithstanding these official denials, the Tribune continues its false assertions, day after day, and now tries to throw the onus for its statements upon Crosby, and further intimates that the Deseret News "denounces him as a liar and falsifier of the aims and purposes of the Mormon Church." The "News" has not done anything of the sort, but if the Tribune will substitute its own name for that of Crosby the denunciation may stand. We do not believe that Crosby claimed to have been "called" and "set apart" to go to Arizona, and that he told the Tribune or its reporter that it was the policy of the Church to send young attorneys, or old attorneys, to that territory, to figure in political affairs. In fact, he has emphatically denied doing so.

We said that if he did make such statements as those attributed to him by the Tribune, he uttered a shameful falsehood. We say so again. But this does not charge him with that offense, it simply recoils upon the shameless paper that concocted the attack on the "Mormon" Church out of some answers to questions propounded to Crosby which that paper magnified, distorted and colored to suit its own purpose, after its well known fashion of old. That organ of no party and of no creed says now of Crosby's "call."

"The Tribune has said nothing whatever regarding that mission, and there has been no assumption of any sort."

Yet in the same article it speaks of Mr. Crosby as "the missionary who was called." On Friday last it announced in big headlines:

"IS SET APART TO PREPARE FOR ARIZONA POLITICS." "UPON RECOMMENDATION OF STAKE PRESIDENT, YOUNG UTAH ATTORNEY GETS CALL TO ST. JOHN'S, ARIZONA."

It commenced its article with a preface to the summary of a purported interview with Crosby, as follows:

"The authorities of the Mormon Church are evidently planning to set control of the politics of Arizona and New Mexico by the time they are ready for statehood. To accomplish this they appear to be adopting the plan of transplanting bright young Mormon attorneys and politicians from Utah to the territories that are now fighting for admission to the Union. These young men are expected to jump into public affairs and be ready to be sent to Washington as Senators and Representatives, and to take possession of the local offices."

This was followed by more to the same effect, and were the utterances and comments and assertions of the Tribune, apart from that which it claimed to have obtained from Crosby. On Saturday last the Tribune had a leading editorial headed "A Plan of Capture and Control." In this, in spite of the emphatic and explicit and detailed refutation in the "News" of the whole story published by the Tribune, the latter stated in that editorial:

"An important policy seems to be involved in the transfer by call from the church of George H. Crosby to go to Arizona, and practice law."

statements of the Deseret News are tough." This is one of the essential differences to those of our morning contemporary, which are so thin and left and without texture as to be readily rent to pieces. Its whole theory of "transference" of young attorneys is based on a positive falsehood. No young lawyers have been "called" or "set apart" to be transferred from Utah to Arizona, and the Tribune may look to other sources for material wherewith to cook up further diatribes and the "Mormon" Church, which are to form a feature of a lying enterprise and a hopeless cause.

WHERE THE MONEY IS.

According to an article in the current number of Gunton's Magazine, contributed by Eugene Parsons, the total wealth of the world is now estimated at 400 billion dollars. And of this the United States is supposed to possess 100 billion dollars, or just one-fourth.

Great Britain is the wealthiest country in Europe. In American money (at \$4.80-pound sterling), Great Britain's wealth in 1895 was \$56,068,800,000. A recent estimate makes it \$59,000,000,000, or \$1,442 per capita (in 1901). The annual income of England's population is said to be \$5,600,000,000, while the yearly savings are \$1,948,000,000. It should be remembered that a large amount of British capital is also invested in the colonies of the empire and in foreign lands.

France comes next to Great Britain. A recent estimate of France's wealth makes it \$48,000,000,000, or \$1,257 per capita (1901). According to Mullhall, Germany's wealth in 1895 was \$38,052,000,000, or \$116 per capita. Prussia's share was more than half (\$4,940,000,000); Bavaria's \$2,949,000,000; Saxony's \$1,656,000,000; Wurtemberg's, \$370,000,000; while the smaller German states had \$1,337,000,000. According to a more recent estimate, Germany's wealth is \$40,000,000,000, or \$709 per capita (1901). German money loaned or invested abroad amounts to \$5,000,000,000 or more. Russia's wealth in 1895, as Mullhall estimated it, amounted to \$3,425,000,000, or \$61 per capita.

A recent estimate places Russia's wealth at \$32,000,000,000, or about \$296 per capita (estimating the population in 1901 at 108,000,000). The other ten countries of Europe are named in the order of their financial importance: Austria-Hungary, whose wealth was estimated by Mullhall in 1895, at \$21,649,000,000; Italy, \$15,168,000,000; Spain, \$11,424,000,000; Scandinavia, \$6,220,800,000; the Danubian states, \$4,924,800,000; Belgium, \$4,742,400,000; Holland, \$4,224,000,000; Switzerland, \$2,381,600,000; Portugal, \$1,978,000,000; Greece, \$1,065,600,000.

The English appear the best off people financially, if the per capita wealth is considered. The Scotch come next. Other countries follow in this order: Australia, France, the United States, and Denmark. The figures in 1895 were: England, \$1,584; Scotland, \$1,357; Australia, \$1,238; France, \$1,210; United States, \$1,123; Denmark, \$1,104 per capita.

The figures are, of course, only approximately correct, but they give some idea of the distribution of the wealth of this world.

Why don't the chimneys give a smother? The mornings have an eazer and a nipping air. What a privilege it is to pay school taxes and tuition! Out of funds is not out of mind with the Board of Education.

Is Buffalo ambitious to be known as headquarters for crime? Alum Bill seems to be the most corrupting influence in Missouri. Song of the pupil, adapted from the owl: "To wit, tuition; to whom?"

The funeral of President Young will commence at ONE o'clock tomorrow. Don't be an oyster. The season is near at hand when oysters are no good. As yet it is uncertain whether or not Chief Sheet's star is in the ascendant.

Good luck to Idaho's first sugar factory! May it be the forerunner of many more. In the great school of experience tuition costs much more than two dollars a month.

Teach the young idea how to shoot and it will want the latest improved rifle every time. The south polar regions present an entirely new field for women. It is the greatest ice field known.

Many of the criminals of the country are singing: "Put me off at Buffalo." It seems to be quite a safe retreat. Whether Mr. Roosevelt does or does not kill mountain lions and other big game, everybody knows that he is game.

Leaves of absence have been given several of the University professors and instructors. Of course they are bay leaves. "Are American women growing better looking?" asks the Boston Globe. That is like asking who can paint the lily or tint the rose.

Tomorrow is Arbor day. All who plant trees, and all should plant, should remember that as the twig is bent the tree's inclined. It seems that Dr. Wiley's borax cured food fed patients are getting fine pink complexions. This would indicate that they are in the very pink of condition.

Miss Pretty of the patent office in Washington has accomplished the nimble feat of typewriting 17,500 words in six hours without a slip. Pretty handsome work. The Reliance is said to look like a winner. And so does the Shamrock III according to reports. This is presumably a case where pretty is as pretty does.

The Reliance is said to be more of a skimming dish than any boat the Herreshoffs have constructed for a cup defender. A skimming dish is what is needed to take the cream of the yacht races. So Shamrock I beats Shamrock III. One contest under racing conditions doesn't settle a race, but it serves as a straw to tell which way the wind blows.

What a grand ovation it was that the people of France gave President Loubet on his journey from Paris to Marseilles! When it comes to enthusiasm and receptions they really do seem to do these things better in France.

Mr. John D. Rockefeller has made a very handsome contribution to the University of Nebraska. At the head of that institution is Dr. E. Benjamin Andrews, who was compelled to resign the presidency of Brown university because of his radical differences with those who controlled it on the money question. It was an almost unparalleled piece of bigotry and was in the face of all university traditions of freedom of teaching. In view of these facts Mr. Rockefeller's contribution is all the more worthy.

IT IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL. New York Evening Sun. It has been decided by the supreme court of Indiana that the law of 1901, providing that the compensation for all work done for counties, cities and towns shall not be less than 20 cents an hour is unconstitutional. It is pointed out that this measure deprives public bodies of freedom of contract, which they sought to enjoy to the same extent as private individuals. The question arises—if it be illegal to fix a minimum or a maximum rate of wages, how can it be legal to restrict the hours of labor? Freedom of contract is involved as much in one case as in the other.

New York Evening Post. If the legislature can fix a minimum wage, says the court, it can fix a maximum. It holds, moreover, that this is class legislation, fixing, perhaps, higher pay for laborers in public employ than for persons doing the same work for private persons. It is quite conceivable that two men might be at work side by side building roads, one for the county at 20 cents per hour, and the other for a private company at half the price. The theory of the promoters of the law is that if they can compel the county to pay 20 cents, the men who are working for private parties will refuse to work for less, and thus the whole scale of wages will be raised. But it is clear that they will have to work on some other plan than this.

THE MARVELOUS RADIUM. New York World. Sir William Crookes still believes that the amount of energy in the universe is a constant quantity, and he thinks that in some way not yet explained the radium replenishes its energy from the movements of the atoms in the water were magnified to a drop of the earth its atoms would be about the size of walnuts. And these atoms are so vast compared with the electrons, which are supposed to give radiant energy, that the electrons whirl about in the immense space of this atom like planets in a solar system.

Baltimore Sun. What is equally remarkable, radium maintains its own temperature at a point 2.7 degrees Fahrenheit above its surroundings! The quantity of heat evolved is such that a pure radium salt evolves every hour heat enough to melt more than its own weight of ice. To put it differently, half a pound of the radium salt would evolve as much heat as would be produced by the burning of one-third of a cubic foot of hydrogen. And this output of heat goes on continuously for an indefinite period, leaving the salt at the end of months of the same weight and power as at the beginning. This looks like perpetual motion.

St. Louis World. There are only two pounds of radium in the world and it is worth \$3,720,000 a pound. Which leads one to reflect upon the dogmatism of science. We have been taught to believe that in the laws of nature, science, if in anything, there is certitude. Phenomena have been generalized into principles or laws and the dicta of the scientists accepted. And every once in a while something is found out which knocks some of these principles into smithereens. As how woman—woman who has so frequently spoiled masculine conceits—in the person of Mrs. Curie, the wife of a French "scientist," has found something that again contravenes the teaching of men.

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