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A PROPER VETO.

The city council did well in sustaining the veto of Mayor Morris on the asphalt proposition, which he disapproved. At the same time the majority had some measure of justification in repelling the implication that they were acting improperly, in deciding to purchase a piece of property for four thousand dollars that had been offered for sale for onethousand dollars. It appears that while this offer was actually made, it was not stated definitely that it was for the same property that was afterwards offered for the higher sum. We do not think there has been any real occasion for ill-feeling over this matter. The Mayor was right in his statement as a matter of fact, and he did not accuse the city council, or any of its members, of knowingly endeavoring to pay more for the property than it was previously offered for. Besides, he gave other and sufficient reasons for refusing the purchase, and it is clear that his veto was in the interest of the public. "All's well that ends well."

A SPLENDID COURSE.

The lectures that are being delivered in Barratt Hall, under the auspices of the Mutual Improvement Lecture Bureau, are giving great satisfaction and drawing several large augiences. Mrs. Bertha Kunz Baker's special course has proved very attractive. The lady one of the very finest lec turers that has appeared before a Salt Lake audience. Her next lecture will be given on Wednesday evening at 8:15; subject, "Much Ado About Nothing," and it is expected that there will be a full house. The M. I. A. are to be congratulated on the success that has attended the lecture course of the present season, and to be commended on the wise choice made of speakers, and for bringing here men ad women of national reputation, who can lead the minds of our young people to a high plane of thought and to the understanding of subjects out of the ordinary channels of discussion. We advise the intellectually inclined among our citizens to attend this course, and to take with them others, who may thereby receive an inspiration towards those lofty ideals that promote the elevation of mankind in thought and word and action.

Church on this subject is, that "all things shall be done by common consent in the Church," and that "every man (is to] stand in his own office, and letter, the physical condition of the labor in his own calling," as the various members of one body. (Doc. and Cov., 26: 2; 84: 109, 110.) The statement the nature of which is entirely unof bitter enemies concerning despotism in Church government is on a parwith the accusations that brought our Redeemer to the cross-that He, as "the king of the Jews," was a dangerous traitor to Roman secular government.

HON. BURROWS CHALLENGED.

Col. George S. Pritchard, solicitorgeneral of New Mexico, is to be congratulated on the manly stand he so promptly has taken in defense of the Territory. As will be seen from the dispatch from Santa Fe, he challenges Senator Burrows of Michigan to prove the truth of the statements he made marked that "to the true man of in the United States Senate, during the discussion of the Statehood question. According to the official report in the Congressional Record of Feb. 7. Senator-Burrows objected to the admission of New Mexico to the Union, either separately, or joined to Arlzona, on the ground that "today polygamy exists in New Mexico. It has been declared." he continued, "that it is the breedingground of polygamy; and I happen to be in possession of information, which I cannot make public for reasons which the Senate will readily understand, that the condition of things in New Mexico, in this regard, is startling." Consequently he thought it would be a "fatal step" to admit the Territory into the

Union These are grave charges against the titizens of New Mexico, and one can only reluctantly believe that they were made by a United States Senator, in an important debate, on no other authority than the slanderous gossip of persons proved to be careless as to the truth of their allegations. But Colonel Pritchard, who certainly is In a position to know the facts, takes issue with the Senator, and offers to pay a sum of money to a charitable institution, if the slanderers of the Territory can furnish the names of ten polygamists out of New Mexico's 200,000 inhabitants. That meets the question fairly and squarely. It seems to us that Senator Burrows now must either prove his allegations, or make a retraction and apology, as public as was his hasty accusation. As a gentleman he can do no less, in justice to himself as well as to the people of New Mexico. Undoubtedly he was misled by persons who seem to have made it the mission of their rather worthless lives to persecute, as far as they can, the members and officers of the "Mormon" Church, wherever found, and who hoped, perhaps, by the injection of the grestion of polygamy into the statehood debate, to prejudice the Senate against Senator Smoot. The challenge should serve to clear up the truth in the matter.

AS VIEWED BY ONE CRITIC.

Some surprise has been expressed oncerning the vote of Senator Smoot on the statehood bill. For that reason the following comment will be read with some interest. Edward B. Clark, n a special from Washington to the Thicago Evening Post of Feb. 9, says: Hearst of New York for each other is "Senator Smoot certainly is of a for giving spirit. He proved it by his course in the statehood matter. Smoot his for one another. sat in the Senate and listened to at-tacks on the Mormons, and to state-ments that if New Mexico and Arizona "I want to correct one impression of me given the public. All are led to bements that if New Mexico and Arizona were admitted separately the Mormon Church would there dominate politics. By indirection the attack was made personal to Smoot. Charges that the Mormon hierarchy would direct the votes of its officeholding members in the states were made fails. lieve I am a regular Romeo. I am not," says Hoch. The public impression is that he is a Bluebeard and not a Romeo.

tleman claimed that he knew lady, incapable of fraud, who had the gift of seeing, from a sealed writer; or, from a bit of rock from the ancient villa of Cicero, for example, known to her, she could call up a vision

of the villa as it existed in Cicero's time, and of its owner. Rev. Newton Bays: "For the first time in the history of man these powers have been scienti-fically investigated in our day. Already

he result is that a considerable num-er of eminent men in science have had the courage to avow that, after allowing for illusion, fraud and every pos-sible hypothesis of interpretation, they have been driven to the ultimate solu-tion of the problem—the belief in the actual communication of the spirits of whom we call dead, with the llving."

The Chicago Evening Post, commenting on that subject, some time ago rescience, the truth-seeker, there has nev-

er been a time in the history of human thought when research held so much of deep and awe-inspiring interest." We have come to believe, the same paper added, that in "the vasty regions of knowledge" which He beyond the tangible self. "the advance through courage and faith and honesty and industry is certain," and the rewards are "more alluring than any other conceivable to the human mind."

Judging from the currents of thought among those who are capable of thinking, the time is coming when the Latter-day Saints will not be derided for their belief in the re-establishment of communication between heaven and earth, as in the days of old. Science is now listening, and investigating. And while it will reject everything that is spurious, it will be compelled to accept what is true. And by that acceptance "Mormonism" will be vindicated before men.

Oregon for sensations.

The cold snap has wreathed the faces

of the coal barons in smiles. The winter, all over the country, is

getting a little too old fashioned. Somebody must have got left yesterday, it was such a cold day everywhere.

The President is beginning to find out that it takes two to make a treaty as well as a bargain.

It is probable that in future Senator Mitchell and his law partner will not

speak as they pass by. It looks as though Nicholas might

become the great Russion reformer and the father of his country. May he!

No fire commission for Salt Lake City, please. In the language of the immortal Rip, we are "better mit out

Will Senator Burrows take up the "defi" of Solicitor-General Pritchard of New Mexico? If he does not, will he. frankly confess that he was bluffing?

The love of Representative Sullivan of Massachusetts and of Repr

often simply because they are nervou and require something to offset nerve tension. It is an everyday oc-currence for women who don't chew sum to buy for their men folks. And until about three years ago such a thing was unknown to confectioners."

RIGHTS OF DRUNKARDS.

St. Louis Globe. In Mexican countries, it is related by veracious travelers, the vendor of in-toxicating liquors provides a room of

court, known as the plazita, to which the barkeeper leads the intoxicated one by the hand as soon as he has im-bled enough pulque, aguardiente or one by the hand as soon as he has im-bibed enough pulque, aguardiente or whisky to make his room more desir-able than his company. In the plazita he may do what he likes, from com-pelling his drunken fellows to listen to his stories to biting their ears off. By this means the barkeep is saved much annoyance, the drunk is not curtailed in any of the rights he acquires with his iag and the public is not compelled his jag and the public is not compelled to suffer vicariously for the sins of the drunkard and his abettors.

IRUSSIAN SPIES,

Vance Thompson in Success. Russia is pre-eminently the land of ples. Democratic and socialistic rance has raised the spy system to a state function, but in Russia it is the very soul of the state. In Moscow, in the streets, agents of the police are stathe streets, agents of the police are sta-tioned every five hundred yards; in ad-dition, secret agents watch the houses day and night-one being allotted to every four houses; and in every house is another spy, the porter. Go where you will, you are never out of the watchful eye of the police. You brush against spies in your hotel, as in the theaters; in a restaurant, as in the drawing-room of a friend. It is ridlo-ulously easy to recognize those you meet in the fashionable resorts. They have evidently been instructed to disulously easy to recognize those you meet in the fashionable resorts. They have evidently been instructed to dis-guise themselves as gentlemen, and for one of them the livery of a gentle-man is a frock ceat, a stik hat, and, al-ways—by rain or sunlight—an umbrel-la. The famous third police! A stran-ger might fancy that, in an open cab— talking French or English to his friend —he would at least be safe from sur-veillance; but his friend will touch him significantly and speak of the weath-er. The fat cabby on the box, somno-lent, with white halr and good paternal eyes, may be a spy, more skilled in the languages than the traveling stranger; and, if the cabman has been found loltering near the great clubs, the ho-tels, or the embassies, the chances are strong that he is. A subtler police than that of the third section—the akrama, which has its ramifications in every capital in Europe and America—com-pletes this great system of espionage. pletes this great system of espionage. Its mesh is over every man in Russia; no one goes unwatched—save only old Count Tolatol.

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BEN GREET'S London players in the XVth century morality play,



NO HIERARCHY,

An anti-"Mormon" organ is endeavoring to prove, by Webster's dictionary, that the Church is ruled by a "hierarchy." It cannot prove its contention by the Church standard works; nor by actual facts, as they exist in the government of the Church, and so it falls back on Webster. Would it not, by the same method, be possible to prove the absurd proposition that every church, Including Baptists, Quakers, Congregationalists, and Unitarians, are ruled by a "hierarchy?" Logic is, of course, no protection to the lamb against the hungry wolf, but it shall be stated, nevertheless, in the interest of truth, that the Church is not ruled by a hierarchy, even according to Webster's definition. For he says: "Hierarchy-a form of government administered solely by the priesthood and the clergy." - That excludes from the hierarchical form of government not only the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-duy Saints, but every other church in which the people in general have a volce in matters of government

It is of some importance that this should be more clearly set forth to the American people. For, much mikunderstatiding prevails because the enemies of the Church have engaged in misrepresenting the Church in this matter. They have succeeded in creating the impression that the "Mormons' are a deluded, enslaved people, ignorantly doing the bidding of a few shrewd, despotio leaders. As long as such false impressions prevail. misunderstandings and friction must necessarily follow. Now, the fact is that there is no denomination in the world in which the people have greater liberty of thought and action, than in this Church. If they are united in faith and sentiment, it is because they see alike, and are animated by the same spirit. And those that form other opinlons and predllections are perfectly free to follow their inclinations wherover these may take them. The fundamental doctrine of the

In New York financial circles this question is being discussed: Are Standard Oll interests to dominate and control the transportation facilities of the whole country? It is possible they may for a while, but the power to control interstate commerce will yet control those who control the country's transportation facilities. The whole is still bigger than any part.

suckers.

Normon hierarchy would object the votes of its offleeholding members in the states were made flatly. "Smoot listened to all this and sat still under it and under the concentrat-ed stare of the galleries. Then, on the amendment which would admit New Mexico as a single state, he voted 'No,' and voted in no uncertain voice. In other words, he was voting against a proposition which, if what Senators Burrows and Dubols had said were true, would give almost unlimited pow-er to the Mormon Church in the terri-tory when once it was admitted to the sisterhood of states. Reed Smoot, by his vote gave the lie, seemingly at least, to the charges made in multipli-cation that a Mormon would seek first the good of his Church. Smoot might have voted aye and have been in such good Republican company as that of Fornkers. Almer, Burrow, and the state of So an Englishman has discovered a method whereby gold can be extracted from sea water at great profit. And the good Republican company as that of Foraker, Alger, Elkins, Gallinger and invention, it is alleged, has the indorsement of Sir William Ramsay, It Smoot showed simp! Hansborough. Hansborough. Smoot showed simply that he believed in sticking by a meas-ure of his party, even though that measure was not to the liking of the Elders of the Mormon Church." should not be forgotten that once upon a time, and that not so very long ago, a man in Massachusetts, named Jernignan "salted" the sea and caught many

A GLIMPSE OF HEAVEN.

In 1885 Secretary of War Endloott ap-It is rather singular that, in this age pointed a board to draw up a plan of of skepticism, when so many would coast defenses for the country. It was gladly, if they could, relegate to the dodone, and the plan, at that time, was main of fiction all spiritual phenomena. declared to be ne plus, ultra, many testimonies are heard that com-President Roosevelt has appointed anmand attention. To this class belongs other board to revise that plan, so as to the story telegraphed from New York, meet modern conditions. Does military to the effect that M. George Doane, recscience advance so rapidly that the detor of the St. Patrick's cathedral, had a fensive plan of two decades ago is remarkable vision of the land beyond, a practically obsolete? If so will not the few hours before his death. The derevised plan also be out of date by the scription of the vision, given by the time it is completed or before? Would dying man, it is said, has awakened it not be just as well to wait a while, intense interest, and the statement is and do nothing as to go ahead and do commented upon by prominent divines. something that has to be undone? To Rev.Parkhurst is quoted as having said the lay mind it seems as though it that he himself has been impressed rewould. cently with the beller that there are spiritual manifestations going on about us in the unseen world which might profitably be investigated by a board, or jury, of eminent psychologists. This,

sengers from beyond the vail.

the American Institute for Scientific

Cleveland Plain Dealer. Three Russian naval officers who vere on duty with the Baltic fleet eem to be quite positive that they saw it least two real Japanese torpedo totats on the night the British trawlers t will be observed, is a vast step in advance of the position of the worthy ministers in the early days of the Prophet Joseph, who would gladly have suffered from the Russian guns. Per-haps they are honest in their asser-tions, but unhappily there seems a painfully close resemblance between firing on the unarmed fishermen on the seen the innocent boy assassinated, because he could not-any more than ould Saul of Tarsus-deny that he had

had a vision, and talked with mes-North sea and firing on the unarmed itizens in the streets of St. Peters-Rev. Dr. Heber Newton, recently, in urg. in address delivered at a meeting of

GUM CHEWING MAN.

SAW SPOOKS.

Research made the assertion that the dead sometimes communicate with the New York Sun. New York Sun. New York Sun. "You would be surprised," said a con-sessed by many men and women; that "clairvoyance" is an established sci-ence fact; that it may be possible for men to carry halos about their heads; and, in short, that a variety of beliefs regarded by the majority of persons as superstition can be demonstrat-ed as truths. The reverend gen-

not like that of Jonathan and David

"I consider myself exceedingly fortu-nate to have seen "Everyman," and I shall glady avail myself of the oppor-tunity to see it reproduced in this city. It is an intensely interesting sermon pro-duced on the stage. The church should gladly hall the production of such artis-tic efforts as "Everyman," and co-oper-ate with its promoters in getting as many propie as possible to come under its helpful and good influence. The need for endowed theaters is never so greatly feit as when such deserving plays must go begging for audiences while these and widespread patronage. The reward of those who see 'Everyman' produced will more than compensate for the money spended. Let crowded theaters sanc-tion the well meaning efforts of the man-agement to give Salt Lake a taste of the work."



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