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OFFICIAL NOTICE.

The anniversary of the birth of the Prophet Joseph Smith will occur on the 23rd inst. He was born December 23, 1805. We suggest to the Bishops, everywhere, that it would be highly appropriate to hold special services in commemoration of that important event, on Sunday, December 22, 1901. The authorities of the several Stakes and Wards will please make arrangements accordingly.

JOSEPH F. SMITH, JOHN R. WINDER, ANTHON H. LUND.

A TERRIBLE TRAGEDY.

The tragedy at Forest Dale, particulars of which startled the community this morning, has shocked the people of this city more than any other event of recent occurrence. The Descret News gave the first account of the disappearance of James R. Hay and the suspicious circumstances attending it. The intimation that he had absconded with the pitiful sum of \$3,800 was scouted by all his friends and acquaintances. His reputation was of the very hest, His general character among those who knew him most was trreproachable. If he had been at all dishonest, or there had been any occasion for leaving his present home and loving family, opportunities of a far more lucrative character had been repeatedly within his reach. There appeared to be no sufficient reason for the suspected criminal

The theory of foul play seemed to be the most feasible explanation of his disappearance, but no clue presented

In the generosity of spirit people some een "taken in" by giving financial imes give far beyond their means. This upport to the schemes of the defenda not necessary. To go into debt in nt in this case. But we are not sure order to gratify the desire for giving, hat much public sympathy will be coorded them. The very fact that Mr. is had policy. Times are prosperous cowie comes with preposterous claims, work abundant, and wages generally hould have made them suspicious of intisfactory. But it is just during such is business plans. The Prophet Elijah times that the prudent laborer lays by all he can, for the day of need that cold did not turn his mission into a may come in the future. It is during noney-making business. He was con the years of ahundance that the sayant to rely upon the Lord for his ing disposition can be exercised with ally wants and when he left earth in

he glowing charlots, his mantle was the best results. When times are hard bout all he had to bequeath his suc-Then, the poor and the sick should in essor. Everyone ought to know that Mr. Dowie is not the prophet he claims mecially remembered. It is a pleas. ure to distribute tokens of love and

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affection among friends and relatives

and to receive such tokens. But it 1-

still more pleasant to perform a dead

of Christian charity-to give without

expecting to receive anything therefor

That is the gift that bleaseth, in r

peculiar manner, both him that giveth

THE GOSPEL FOR DEAF MUTES

and him that receiveth.

tical organizations.

three baptisms recently performed, nine

were of deaf mutes at Barnsley, also

that several others were about ready to

embrace the Gospel. Since then, four

more at least have joined the Church.

and one of them who is a teacher of

the deaf and dumb, was ordained an

Elder and arrangements were made for

Sunday meetings among them, open to

others of their unfortunate class. The

Gospel was introduced to them by a

brother who had investigated the Gos.

pel for about two years, and who had

through reading the Bible become con-

vinced of the necessity of obedience to

the law of tithing, and had shown his

faith by his works for about a year be-

A TIMID RULER.

A dispatch says that the Sultan C Turkey is apprehensive about his anual visit to Stamboul during the tamadan. This is the month of fast in he Mohammedan world, kept with reat rigor in remembrance of the aleged giving of the first part of the Koran to the Arabian prophet. The Sul-

an generally appears in public in hon-We have in this State a number of or of the occasion, when he goes to per leaf mutes, and there is a State instituorm certain religious ceremonies. Probably no living ruler of men has nore cause to fear his subjects than has Abdul Hamid. The conditions therein. Of course, like the general eduurcounding him are by those who are cational institutions of this State, It is n a position to know, described #s free from sectarian teachings, theremoral anarchy." Depravity is the fore, the Gospel as understood by the haracteristic of the upper classes, and Latter-day Saints cannot be promulgatnatred smoulders continually among the ed there, but such work as muy be perower. He keeps his brothers and the formed in that direction, or under the inces of the royal family under lock uspices of any other religious denomand key, and the heir apparent is nation, must be conducted entirely senwatched, like a prisoner. The people trate and apart from the asylum. That re suffering under the rule of tyranux. a eminently proper, for no one particu-But the poverty and destitution genlar sect can be permitted to promulgate eral in the country do not prevent its tenets in any State establishment. onarch from living in luxury. It is Each of the churches, however, may income aimed that his conduct its own institutions, religious out 25,006,000 francs a year, and educational, according to its own sides what he derives from the numplans and purposes without interference rous estates he owns. But he keeps 6, from the State or from other ecclesias-00 servants, of whom no less that 80 re employed as cooks. His ideas of There are a number of deaf mutes, in

iministration do not include the de-Utah and elsewhere, who are associatlooment of the resources of the couned by parentage or otherwise with the try. The schools, being considered dan-Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day rous, are under severe restrictions, Saints. Some months ago, in a report The press is about silenced, and public of a conference held in Sheffield, Engcetings are prohibited. land, it was stated that out of thirty-

Under such conditions, the head of he government has cause to fear. Turey is not so far from the civilized corld that it can be kept closed to all nodern influences. Light will penetrate ven the smallest openings, and the cople are commencing to feel the disess in which they are kept. If Abul Hamid were wise, he would open he country as much as possible to

nodern civilization and make for himelf a name in history. Turkey needs ruler who can do for it what Peter e Great in his day did for Russia. lthout great statesmanship, the counry must ultimately fall to pieces, as structure always exposed to the elenents and never repaired.

fore he was baptized into the Church. Those mutes are described as "an un-TROPICAL CLIMATE TO ORDER. usually bright class of people, who can

of the Christmas carol, however, has not been brought up before, and the agitation along this line appears to have arisen from objections made by the parents of a Jewish boy who had been taught a Christmas hymn by his teacher. In the hymn the following stanza occurs:

"Away in the manger, no orib for his The little Lord Jesus laid down Ris

sweet head: The stars and the sky looked down where He lay, The little Lord Jeaus asleep on the

Many of the ministers express regret that the rabbi should take exception to Christmas carols in the schools. Christ is to be left out of the calebra-

tion, they argue, it is better to have ne celebration at all. But in this demovalle government, they further reason. the majority rules, and the minority must give in. It is impossible to eliminate the sentiment of Christianity from our literature. Other clergymen, however, think the Jews are right in protesting against religion in the schools in any form.

It is a unique question, and not parlicularly tending toward "peace or Undoubtedly there are many earth." parents everywhere in this country who are pleased with school teachers why take the pains of teaching the children a few songs considered appropriate for the occasion. But why could not these be taught after regular school hours. and only to those whose parents have no objections? That would simplify matters. In this country the minority has a right to protest against teaching the religion of the majority in auy public school, but half an hour's singing practice regularly for a few days before the holidays, would suffice for the purpose of learning a simplé song or two, and to that there would be no reasonable objection on the part of those who would not care to take part

in the exercises. Winter has got its entering wedge i

all right enough. A local restaurant man is strangely missing. Here is food for thought.

The Hay-Pauncefote treaty, having peen ratified, it is somebody's treat.

Admiral Schley's counsel should be ware lest they, like the lady, protest too

> It is hard to dissipate the idea that the treasury surplus will not be dis sipated.

A "sugar dance" has just been held at Springville. The young girls were

the sweetest things there. English papers may praise or con demn Lord Rosebery's Chesterfield address, but none will deny that he is

man of great address. Postmaster-General Smith has resigned. Thus a great American tradition-that office holders never re-

sign and seldom die-is shattered.

and of women to make them clean-to purify and brighten and beautify the home. Mrs. Hoffman wants to leave the dishes unwashed or make the men attend to it while the women run the polities and the offices.

Milwaukee Wisconsin.

Great commotion has been aroused by the declaration of Mrs. Clara C. Hoftman, before the executive committee or the Illinois Equal Suffrage association, that "women are and always have been but doormats and dishwashers for men. in government, and in the church." Is In government, and in the church." Is this strictly true? To examine the last prong of the proposition first, are wo-men mere slaves of men, compelled by

stern task masters to menial labor? How is it then, that so many of them hu Chicago find time to devote to clubs organized for the discussion of the wo-man question? How is it that so many man question? How is it that so many of them frequent the matinees? No one ever goes to a matinee expecting to flud many of the sterner sex in at-tendance. Neither is it usual to find great crowds at the men's clubs in Chi-cago, except after business hours.

Chicago Record-Herald.

So far as the dishwashing is concerned, few women care to resent the char-acterization of Mrs. Hoffman, but we note a stampede among the fair ones to keep out of the doormat class. Even hose women who feel aggrieved over

man's reluctance to give them "rights" are inclined to draw the line at doormats. The doormat is bristly and soggy, and stays out all night. When Bridget turns it over and hamwhen Bridget turns it over and ham-mers it with a broom a million microbes are driven from its embrace, and when Towser has nothing else to do he chews one corner of it. The doormat meta-phor will not do-not even a corrugated rubber one that catches the rain and is tough enough to defy the elements.

WILHELMINA AND HENRY.

New York Evening Sun. If the stories of Henry's behavior to-ward Wilhelmina are true, we confess to great resentment. In short dresses was a darling litle girl. sha oung ady comely and sweet, and as a queen we are sure that she is worthy to be the wife of any man who ever called himself king or consort. A man who reis tingy at table with such a white and hurts her feelings ought to h banned and banished. If Prince Henry fought a duel with the gallant Van Tets, we regret that Van Tets got the worst of it. Courtiers who succor queens in distress ought to know how to fence.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

The current issue of the Living Age gives a number of interesting ar-ticles from the leading Magazines. Among these are "British Foreign Pol-icy," from National Review; "Bishop Westcott," Church Quarteriy Review; "Art and Usefulness," Contemporary Review; "Household Art," and "Na-thaniel Hawthorne's Place in Litera-ture." There are some fine verses of various authors, and notes on books and authors.--The Living Age Co., Bos-ton.

The leading article in The National Geographic Magazine for December is 'Diary of a Voyage from San Francisco to Tahiti and Return, "by S. P. Lang-ley. This is followed by an illustrated paper on "The Lost Boundary of Tex-as," by Marcus Baker. W. Y. McGee writes about "Ice Caves and Frozen "Western Progress In China, is an interesting sketch of Chinese con-ditions. The number as usually, gives space to geographic notes, geographic literature and news of the Geographic



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then discovered. The tidings of the finding of his body, showing evidences of murderous violence, way received at the "News" office early this morning and was at once bulletined for public information. It sent a thrill of horror to the hearts of the numerous friends of the victim. All that can be gleaned in relation to the sad event will be found in our local columns this evening. All kinds of rumors are afloat, and there is a universal desire to trace his assassination and the attendant robbery to the unilty parties.

It is hard to give credit to the suspici ous surmisings of many persons as to the connection of Mr. Peter Mortensen with this horrible transaction. The solution of the mystery surrounding the dreadful affair remains as yet undetermined. It is possible that the deed may remain for some time in the darkness by which it is at present shrouded. Yet careful and persistent detective work should be employed, with determination to reach the bottom of the crime and the conviction of the robbers and assassins.

The thought that a peaceable citizen can be selzed, plundered and beaten to death, almost within touch of his own residence and the houses of his neighbors, is of the most depressing and alarming character. That there are desperadoes in this city and its suburbs, who will not hesitate to go to any length of crime in order to secur the booty they covet, is clearly evident. Our force of peace-officers is small.tak ing the city and the county together Extra vigilance during these winte months is demanded, and it may be found necessary to increase the force for the hunting down of footpads and burglars and the protection of the pub-

The only gleam of the sunshine o comfort attending this terrible affair. is that which clears away the dark suspicions that briefly clouded the character of the lamented victim of criminal cupidity. To the bereaved wife and children of the bright and talented young husband, cut off in his prime there will be extended universal sym pathy. The sorrow and grief which now weighs them down will be very difficult to lighten. Kind relatives and friends will do their best to relieve their affliction, but God alone can give that comfort which they so sorely need May the consolations that come from His peace-giving Spirit enter their hearts and their home, and may they be cheered with the assurance that they will meet with their loved one again and enjoy an eternal reunion!

CHRISTMAS GIVING.

The season is upon us when giving and receiving are uppermost in the thoughts of all. There is more money in actual circulation among the people than ever before, and the holiday dis plays are more tempting than usual. Often it is very difficult to find, among the great variety of articles so hand somely exhibited by our enterprising

read and write well, who understan an extraordinary engineering projec the Gospel and are very carnest and proposed, says a correspondent from anxious to do right." There are many Johns, N. F., in a communication thousands in the world who are afflictthe Chicago Record-Herald. It in ed with the deprivation of speech and olves the construction of a dam, clos hearing, who might through proper ing the Belle Isle strait, between Newstruction be led to en brace the truth. bundland and Labrador, where the and whose souls are precious in the bannel is about ten miles wide and sight of heaton. Some means ought to so feet deep. The purpose is to pro be provided whereby they can be ect the gulf of St. Lawrence against reached and a special work be perthe icebergs, floes, and frigid waters of formed for their enlightenment.

he north. Under present conditions, We have some competent men in the he gulf is invaded by these frost Church who are adapted for this work. fants toward the end of November and who have done considerable good susing fogs, cold, damp and late in this direction at home. We think rings and closing navigation for sevthat some of our Elders abroad ought val months. The construction of the to apply themselves to the study of the am, it is thought would divert the deaf and dumb signs, so as to become sold currents and the icebergs to the proficient in the art of teaching them. astern coast of Newfoundland. The and they could no doubt accomplish as coasts of Quebec, Anticostl, Cape Bregood a work in some other places as ton, Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward that which was done at Barnsley. We Island would then, it is presumed, bemake this suggestion in behalf of a come veritable gardens where tropical class of persons that should arouse the and semi-tropical fruit would flourish. sympathy of mon and women, blessed Lobrador would have the climate of with the use of all the ordinary faculties of mankind. The work of learning

The cost of this is estimated at \$30. the signs would not be any greater, if 600,000, and at that sum, the enterprise as great, than that in acquiring a forwould certainly seem to be a profitable eign language. Let the Gospel be one. But we fancy the great question preached also to the deaf and dumb! is whether such a dam would accom plish all that is claimed for it. There

THE CHARGE AGAINST DOWIE, is no experiment on which to base One Samuel Stevenson charges Alexperiment, the result of which is uncer ander Dowie with having defrauded min, is a considerable sum.

The project, however, is grand and him of \$185,000 invested, it appears, in the lace industry of the Chicago "Zion." entirely in line with the twentleth cenbut the attempt to account for the cury ambition of man. We are no successful consummation of the alleged | lotser content with the surface of the fraud is too puerile to engage the serius attention of a court. The plaintiff alleges that Dowie Mountains are being leveled, or pierced waved his hands and hugged him, and to let man pass more quickly from one that he, while thus caressed, felt an | part of the earth to another. Oceans "ndescribable awe," and became contare connected with oceans, for the

sietely subject to the influence of the same purpose. Parched deserts are be old man. Three times he had tried ing made into gardens. Man, in the to get away from that influence, but beginning, was charged with the, duty tailed until now. resnonsibility of ruling over the In corroboration of this story he told | earth and all it contains. Since then

cow Dowie is said to have "influenced" | there has been a steady conflict with Dwight L. Moody to death. Dowie, It. natural forces and conditions, with one claimed, had declared that if the victory after another over these, for late fam.lus evangelist did not cease i the his opposition to him, "he would not sible that in time, man will to some ay that Moody might not die, and that extent control even the climatic condiater Dowle told how Moody had taken | tions To divert the ocean currents sick and died." may be a good beginning. To become

To any ordinary person all this appears as the rankest superstition, and mate depends, may be within the fuif Mr. Stevenson is counting on estabture possibility of reach, when these lishing his claims on such grounds, he fortes are better known than at presmay as well drop his case. Probably | ent he invested some money in the lace

CHRISTMAS CAROLS.

industry, in the hope of obtaining good Probably the investment In Los Angeles some urned out different from expectations, is to have been caused on account and the investor naturally desires to of Christman songs in the public vithdraw. Probably, too, the ec- schools. Rabbi Hecht recently took centric gentleman who claims prooccusion to say in a sermon that the phetic honors, represented the scheme schools are conducted without sufficient. colors not warranted by facts, and regard for the rights of the Hebrer in that case there should be redress to stated that be had. But the contention that the he had examined the hymnbooks used maney was extorted by hypnotism is in one public school and found such to the various members of the family and friends. Much thought will necess sarily be exercised on that subject, as a gift needed, or much desired, is foubly welcome. But after all, it should be remembered that a present given and son, has in that fact its greatest value. Is it needful at this time, to say a word of caution against extravagance? too weak. The proposition that one hu-

Announcement is made of gifts of over a million and a half dollars to the University of Chicago. How true it is that to them that bath shall be given.

Mr. Carnegie's offer of ten million dollars to found a national university has proved to the President a genuing embarrassment of riches.

Mr. Richard Croker will go to England in January for his health. But he can never regain in England what he lost in New York in November.

Mr. Thomas Lamson is now going in for the ownership of the best dogs in the world. Has this decision anything to do with the fact that Amalgamated Copper has gone to the dogs?

When the Pennsylvania railroad gets that tunnel under North river, Manhattan island and East river completed, people will still be in the dark about underground New York.

"Soup-house and free food depots are springing up in most of the large cities of Germany on account of the industrial depression," says an exchange. Which goes to show that German workmen are in the soup.

The Chicago Historical society has just bought, for thirty-five hundred dollars, the manuscript diary and correspondence of President J. K. Polk. The diary is in forty manuscript volumes and, with the correspondence, covers twenty years of American history, including the period of the annexation of Texas and the conquest of California. It is doubtless a most im portant work and it is to be hoped that the society will publish it, that students may have the benefit of it. It should throw much light on a very import-throw much light on a very important era in American history.

MR. COCKRAN AND THE BOERS.

Chicago Record-Herald.

Nothing Mr. Morley and his asso ciates on the platform and in the press of Great Britain has said or written, has had the effect to turn the British has had the effect to furn the British public from the determination to carry this war through to the recognition of British supremacy in South Africa. It is therefore little short of a crime for an orator like Mr. Cockran to attempt to delude Boer sympathizers in America, with the suggestion that one word from President Roosevelt can change a policy for which the British government has the warrant of an empire's will,

New York Evening Sun. But while American sentiment is largely with the Boers, American judg-ment is opposed to intervention by our government. Mr. Roosevelt is ready to offer his good offices to bring about a suspension of hostilities which shall suspension of hostitutes which shall prepare the way for peace in South Af-rica, but so was Mr. McKinley. Great Sritain, however, will not consent to arbitration; and, as the Boers demand unconditional independence, there is the President cannot urge, and Con-gress, which represents the people, has shown no inclination to bring the question pronothing to arbritrate. Interven

A QUESTION OF "RIGHTS."





