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COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY.

A controversy over the question as to  
whether the Agricultural college at Lo-  
gan and the University of Utah should  
be united in one institution, or contin-  
ued as separate establishments, dupli-  
cating to a considerable extent the  
studies conducted in each, has agitated  
the Legislature at this session, as it  
has at previous sessions. The rivalry  
between the two educational establish-  
ments is well known, and each side of  
the dispute presents some apparently  
good reasons for the position it as-  
sumes.Governor John C. Cutler drew atten-  
tion of the Legislature to this question  
in a communication addressed to both  
houses, and suggested that a joint com-  
mittee be appointed to canvass the sit-  
uation thoroughly and formulate rec-  
ommendations concerning it. This was  
acted upon favorably, and the reports of  
the two divisions of the committee have  
been made and their text will be found  
in another part of this paper.The subject has occasioned spirited  
debate, and we do not propose at pres-  
ent to take up the cudgels on the merits  
of the case, as it affects either of the  
institutions mentioned, but we do de-  
sire to express the opinion that, as pro-  
posed by one half of the joint com-  
mittee, the matter of making it possi-  
ble for the union of the two institutions  
may be safely submitted to a vote of  
the people of this State at the general  
election in 1906. Under the Constitution  
of the State of Utah the University and  
the Agricultural College, as separate  
establishments with their existing lo-  
cations, are confirmed and perpetuated.  
No change therefore in these respects  
can be made except by a constitutional  
amendment. This requires, in the first  
place, a vote of two-thirds of all the  
members elected to the Legislature, and  
in the second place the submission of  
the amendment to the voters of the  
State, a majority of whom can deter-  
mine the question of its adoption. In  
the event of its acceptance by the peo-  
ple, it would then have to be legislated  
upon and provisions be made, regulat-  
ing the conduct of the consolidated in-  
stitution.The grant from the Federal govern-  
ment for the maintenance of the Agri-  
cultural College would not be interfered  
with if it became a department of the  
State University, and the experiment  
station could still be maintained at  
Logan, while the duplication of  
studies and of expenses connected  
therewith would be avoided, and the  
friction between the two institutions  
would be abated. There are many  
reasons why this proposed union  
should at some time be effected. It  
seems to us an unbiased investigator  
that the time has arrived when the  
dispute should be settled. The adop-  
tion of the amendment by the Legisla-  
ture would not mean its acceptance by  
the people. Ample time would be af-  
forded for a clear explanation of the  
matter from all sides, before the elec-  
tion, so that the vote which would de-  
termine the adoption or rejection of the  
amendment could be based on a clear  
understanding of all the points in the  
controversy, which could be set forth  
from every standpoint.It appears to us that this is the prop-  
er solution of the problem that has en-  
gaged the attention of the Legislature  
almost ever since Statehood has been  
acquired. Local interests and feelings  
have naturally entered into the con-  
troversy, and would probably be active  
in the determination of the constitu-  
tional question. They should receive  
consideration according to their mer-  
its. But after all, the interest of the  
people of the whole State should be  
paramount, and the financial as well  
as the educational aspects of the case  
should be thoroughly viewed, and  
therefore the report of the committee  
recommending the constitutional  
amendment commends itself to the  
public mind.

ECHOES FROM AFAR.

Among the public journals that have  
taken editorial notice of the attack upon  
the "Mormon" Church read in the Uni-  
ted States Senate, are the New York  
Sun and the Boston Herald, both of  
which have a vein of sarcasm in the  
body of their remarks. However, they  
treat somewhat seriously the senseless  
charges preferred without a particle of  
evidence or attempt at proof, and we  
suggest to our contemporaries that if  
any other subject than that of the  
"Mormon" Church had been presented,the press of the country would have de-  
manded something more than mere as-  
sertion and personal abuse, which  
formed almost the entire harangue so  
stunningly read to the few hearers on  
the floor of the Senate chamber.The Sun gives a very brief sketch  
of the ex-Senator's career. The writer  
emits some important incidents, both of  
the Nebraska and the Park City epi-  
sodes therein. They would make very  
interesting matter for a full biography.  
We have them at hand, but do not  
care to recapitulate them just now.The Sun appears to catch on to the  
fact that the attack made in the Sen-  
ate was not particularly interesting to  
the members, and remarks that "It  
must have been heard with peculiar  
interest by the Senate gallery." Ref-  
erring to the alleged purchase of the  
Senatorship and its denial by the read-  
er of the speech it says: "The infer-  
ence is that Mr. Kearns was the vic-  
tim of a cruel deception when elected  
Senator from Utah, and on learning that  
he was supposed to hold his commis-  
sion from the Mormon Church he  
defied it to do its worst and threw up  
the Senatorship." Take that with an-  
other sentence from the Sun and it will  
be seen that irony runs through that  
paper's review. It is this: "His broth-  
er or Senators must have wondered why,  
if he were so hostile to the Mormon  
hierarchy he had not pitched into it  
before."The Sun may not be aware that the  
only reason why the rejected candidate  
for further Senatorial honors "pitched  
into" the "Mormon" Church in the ex-  
ploring moments of his official career,  
was because he had utterly failed after  
repeated persistent attempts to curry  
favor with the gentlemen he so grossly  
and falsely assailed, to obtain the  
"influence" for which he lusted  
and strove to obtain at any cost.  
If he could have secured that,  
they would have been as "splendid  
specimens of American citizenship" as  
any in the land, in his estimation.  
But the fact is, he was repudiated by  
his own party, composed of "Mormons"  
and "Gentiles," the great major-  
ity of whom would not sup-  
port him again under any con-  
sideration, and his fulminations at  
the last moment against the President  
of the "Mormon" Church were but the  
explosions of hatred and malice writ-  
ten for him and proceeding from a sim-  
ilar source.The Boston Herald remarks that "the  
address is not likely to lead to any  
Congressional action." We should say  
not. That would require something  
more than illuminated froth and un-  
supported assertions. It is a pity that  
the Herald draws conclusions concern-  
ing the "Mormon" Church from the ti-  
rade to which it alludes, without a soli-  
tary fact on which to base them. It  
has never yet been proven that political  
power by the "Mormon" Church has  
ever been exercised in the direction  
indicated. It is strange that no in-  
stance of instruction from the Church  
authorities to "Mormon" citizens how  
they should vote has been presented.  
It is all assertion, inflammatory talk,  
gas without light, impudent abuse,  
without one solid fact or substantial  
instance.The force of prejudice is great. When  
the public mind is biased in any given  
direction and the press runs with the  
crowd, it requires very little else than  
just such ebullitions of rancor and bold  
denunciation of unpopular persons or  
organization to still further inflame the  
public mind and corroborate the no-  
tions they entertain, however fallacious  
and unjust they may be. The Mormon  
Church has had to meet that kind of  
opposition from its early history. It  
expects and is ready to meet the same  
treatment as the years roll on. But  
fair and inquiring minds will look  
through the dust of slander and fog of  
falsehood that are cast around it, and  
find the truth that shines behind and  
that is embodied in the principles  
which underlie the Mormon faith. We  
can afford to be patient and bide our  
time.

PETITION OF RUSSIAN WOMEN

The petition of Russian women to  
the Czarina, asking that lady to inter-  
cede in their behalf, in favor of an  
early cessation of the war, is a re-  
markable document. It is as follows:"O sovereign, we believe your  
mercy, therefore for all the horrors of  
war we do. Peace is a vision not  
only beyond the frontiers, but even in  
the heart of the fatherland. We see in  
the recent troubles the beginning of  
calamities that may crush all Russia.  
All the bases of life are shaken and all  
the moral foundations are trembling.  
Mothers who have to bring up the  
young generation are saddened by see-  
ing that it is impossible to train up  
children on the basis of truth, love and  
duty, when the social life of the coun-  
try does not rest thereon. Our best  
forces are perishing. Mothers whose  
hearts are breaking cannot remain  
silent. More lives will be sacrificed,  
because what is happening is not spas-  
modic, but the results of earlier calami-  
ties. The emperor can still save Rus-  
sia by his puissant will. Be our plead-  
er. Pray the emperor to listen to the  
voice of the country. If the emperor  
leads the country in paths of great-  
ness, its women will help in the work  
of organization by guiding their broth-  
ers and children into the new way and  
a life of light."The intelligence behind that petition  
would be worthy of the most advanced  
women in any country. It does not  
reflect the ignorance, the servitude,  
the helplessness supposed to be the  
common lot of Russians, and especially  
the women. It proves that Russia has  
women, in every respect the equals of  
their enlightened sisters in more  
favored countries. And where there  
are intelligent women, there is bright  
hope for the future of the country.But the Russian women are mistaken  
when they assume that the Czarina  
must share their feelings of despair  
and sorrow in the present crisis.  
Their brothers and hus-  
bands had a similar illusion, when they  
hoped that the "little father" would  
listen to them with sympathy, and they  
were awakened of that dream, only  
when the guns rang out their death  
knell, and their blood was shed upon  
the snow-covered Newski Prospect. The  
points of view are so different from  
the throne, and from below, that there  
can be little human sympathy between  
those that occupy the different posi-  
tions. The Queen of Spain might havefelt for her subjects during her late  
war, but it was she who goaded her  
ministers on, notwithstanding their ad-  
vice against that foolhardy undertak-  
ing. She knew that it would cost a  
number of lives, but she was perfectly  
willing to have the sons of ten thou-  
sand Spanish mothers sacrificed in bat-  
tle, if thereby she could have the sover-  
eignty of Cuba for only one son—her  
own. Mothers on a throne do not un-  
derstand the agony of mothers humbly  
kneeling around it. And we fear the  
Russian women will yet have to  
learn this. The French women were  
given a demonstration of that fact, be-  
fore the revolution that brought liberty.The petition is exceedingly pathetic.  
In all probability the war will soon  
cease, for the simple reason that the  
inability of the Russian army to cope  
with the Japanese is again about to be  
demonstrated, as appears from the re-  
ports from the seat of war. And such  
petitions may therefore be welcome, as  
furnishing a motive for looking for  
peace terms. It must be earnestly  
hoped that the prayer of the mothers  
for peace will be answered, for the san-  
guinary struggle in Asia is a spectacle  
of no credit to our advanced civiliza-  
tion.

The Japanese are in hot pursuit.

Public office seems to be getting to be  
a private grab.June, with its rare days, could not  
beat these March days.Political economy—a limited legisla-  
tive session once in two years.The Russians are making tracks and  
the Japanese are making history.Kuropatkin isn't retiring this time;  
he is retreating, and at the double  
quick.The indications are that ex-Governor  
Peabody will lack the votes not the in-  
tention.Hetty Green will not be given a per-  
mit to carry a revolver. She has her  
hatpin, woman's most effective weapon.It is the men behind those siege  
guns who are doing the work around  
Mukden. And what work they are do-  
ing!Kuropatkin and Dr. Osler don't have  
to read all the mean things that are  
said about them. There is some com-  
fort in that—for them.The Kaiser may bestow a decoration  
upon Oyama but never upon Kuropat-  
kin. Sympathy is all the latter can ex-  
pect at the utmost.Jim Jeffries thinks the President  
would have made a great name as a  
pugilist. Still he has achieved some  
fame in other directions.The Oberlin bank was a fit financial  
institution for Mrs. Chadwick to do  
business with. She herself must have  
been astounded at its methods.According to Henry Vignaud's new  
book, most of the deeds attributed to  
Columbus are mythical. He probably  
thinks they are too good to be true.Senator Cockrell served as long in the  
Senate as Tom Benton did. One made  
Missouri famous and both honored her.  
Of such senators the whole nation is  
proud.The President is going to make some  
radical changes in his personnel of the  
Panama canal commission. Things  
have been going too slow to suit him.  
Rome was not built in a day, nor will  
the Panama canal be.It was through American enterprise  
that the St. Petersburg government  
first learned of the disaster to its army  
in the Far East. The Associated Press  
is doing good work at the seat of war,  
better than any news agency.The following complimentary notice  
of the work of Speaker Hunt of the  
Idaho Legislature, appears in the Boise  
Evening Capital of March 4:"Speaker Hunt proved himself one of  
the strong men of the state during the  
late session, and the passing of many  
of the best men was due to his leader-  
ship and good judgment. The speaker-  
ship is a trying position to fill and  
Mr. Hunt has twice won the respect  
and esteem of his fellow citizens by  
his grasp of public business and the  
fairness and impartiality with which  
he has discharged his duty. The fu-  
ture should hold higher honors in store  
for J. Frank Hunt."

THE BUFFALO BILLS.

Boston Herald.  
Col. Cody's philosophical observations  
as to what constitutes true happiness  
here below are characteristically  
breezy, but they seem to be more or  
less tinged with the bitterness of his  
recent domestic experiences as uncov-  
ered in the divorce court. A quiet home,  
a few friends and a good horse may  
contribute much to a man's content-  
ment, but there are other necessary  
ingredients.

Kansas City World.

Buffalo Bill's halo, which has daz-  
zled the minds of the youth of two  
generations, has suddenly lost its glory.  
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San Francisco Call.

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boy costume quite as seriously as the  
English public does, but her offer to  
take him back after his ill-treatmentof her is proof that in spite of his  
faults he is still a hero in her eyes.  
It is a poor man, indeed, who cannot  
make some woman take him for a hero.  
When one observes the curious delu-  
sions of divers wives that imagine  
heroic qualities in husbands who are  
entirely mean and sordid, it is hard to  
avoid concluding that love is a form  
of hypnosis.

BACTERICIDE IN DIPHTHERIA.

Medical Record.

M. Aramian describes the results ob-  
tained in treating diphtheria by local  
applications of extract of dichondra in  
glycerine. The preparation is obtained  
from the seeds and stems of Dichondra  
brevifolia, and to a solution containing  
one part of the extract in three parts  
of glycerine the author gives the name  
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dichondra grow in this country, and it  
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similar to those of Dichondra brevi-  
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terminates it, though the effect is only  
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