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CHURCH AND POLITICIANS.

There are some people who yet display a choleric [illegible] over the recent address issued by the Church authorities to the Latter-day Saints. As we have recognized all along, this is not because of any real reason for finding fault with the document or the ideas contained therein, but has its occasion in an overweening desire to say things derogatory to the Church and its leading men, with a view to retarding or injuring the work in which they are engaged. The Latter-day Saints readily recognize the source of inspiration of these assaults upon them—the antagonism has been going on all the time since the Lord restored His Gospel to the earth, the only change being in the form of attack, never in the motive therefor.

Sometimes the height of excitement caused by extreme and sensational utterances makes it advisable to defer for a time the consideration of certain topics, so that the calmer judgment of the people can be applied thereto; and in the case of the address named, Church members who may have been somewhat affected by the intemperate expressions of those who pretended friendship but who actually entertained another sentiment toward the Church, now have had time to deliberate over events and estimate them at their proper weight. Hence it is that the temporary excitement caused in certain quarters has given way to an entirely different feeling. Of course the great bulk of Church members were calm and confident throughout, those chiefly affected being the comparative few who for some reason were not so closely in touch with the genius of the work as thinking, earnest, working members usually are. Even non-members who took a logical view of the situation recognized that there was no occasion for the disturbance sought to be raised by a small but noisy contingent of politicians, for ulterior purposes.

That the incentive for the bitterly adverse criticism and misrepresentation of the address referred to was to injure the Church, there is no doubt among those who have watched carefully the whole business. It is in line with all the efforts of that nature that had taken place theretofore. That it has failed like its predecessors is also true; and that those who were inadvertently caught in the trap feel that the lesson will make them wiser in the future can be testified to by a large proportion of those who got into the unfortunate position. Perhaps next time there is an attempt made to condemn the Church when it is attending to its own affairs the last named class will be on the safer side.

There is absolutely nothing in the address that affected anything but Church business or that concerned anybody not a member of the Church. It is true that all of its members were concerned, for what affects directly a part of those members reaches to all in a greater or less degree; and if any member felt aggrieved by the Church's action and chose to separate himself from the organization, the door to pass out is wide open—nobody compels him to remain inside. But the Church does insist upon its rights with its members individually and collectively, and will continue to do so. If any of those members, either in business, politics, or society interferes with the Church, the latter is in duty bound to maintain its rights to the extent of dealing with the official position or the fellowship of any member, and it is not the business of others to interfere—those [illegible] will do so.

In the events of recent date here, there is no question but that certain classes of politicians have sought to run the affairs of the Church. It makes no difference whether they were members or not; their effort was not on the lines of Church membership, but as politicians, to gain their own ends. They demanded that the Church do this, that and the other thing as a Church—which no politician has a right to do, since freedom of action in religious matters is guaranteed the Church; they berated leading Church officials for exercising [illegible] ecclesiastical functions, and because those Church officials did not accede to the arrogant demands referred to. And they still continue to meddle and attempt to dictate in matters with which they have no kind of legitimate business whatever.

The address to the Saints does not [illegible] of [illegible] any man in his politics. If a Church member permits his political actions to interfere with an official obligation which he has entered into with the Church, the latter insists on its right to have its business attended to, or if the individual chooses to abandon the labor he has undertaken, to fill his place; and as a matter of discipline to note that notice of an intention to abandon Church labors is given in time, or if the abandonment is intended, will be only concurrent, that the official obtain legitimate permission to leave his Church post of duty. In this there is no interference with politics, it is wholly a Church matter. A Church member or official is perfectly free in his politics and business, and any ecclesiastical action that does not deprive the Church of those labors which he has agreed to perform is not affected in any way by the tone of the address. Clearly also that in the way of political activity anybody, Church affairs [illegible] and it insists on its right in that necessity, both from members and non-members. On the other hand, the politics of a man is none of the Church's business under any form of government, and it cannot and will not attempt to regulate any person in his action in that line, no matter whether he be high Church official, lay member, or outside of its ranks.

GOLD DISCOVERIES.

Since we have all the discussion that is good for any nation, and more too, over the relative values of a gold standard and one which accepts gold and silver at a fixed ratio in the business world, it is interesting to note the new discoveries made of deposits of the precious metals. For a long time after the gold fields of California began to yield their vast wealth, new discoveries of the yellow metal were comparatively few, the white metal occupied the scene, and up to 1893 the addition of silver mines presents a most remarkable history of development. Following the anti-silver movement of that and the few preceding years, there gradually came a change in the prospector's experience, and instead of silver being uncovered almost everywhere there was a remarkable unearthing of gold mines. Of course the decline in the price of silver had something to do with diminishing the search for that metal, but this does not account for the vast amount of gold that has been uncovered and has come into prospect the past two years. There is a development going on that is far beyond the tinkering of financial questions or the commercial uses of the metals.

This era of gold discovery, for such it seems to be, is not confined to any country or locality. The western United States has had a goodly share; the Rocky Mountain and Pacific coast states and territories all have furnished notable additions to the production of the yellow metal, with promise of doing much more in the near future than they have done. In Utah the Mercur and neighboring districts are fairly teeming with riches of this character, and so with other districts in the State and outside. Off in British Columbia and Alaska, the same experience is met with. And away in far off Australia the news of gold finds is not less entertaining; from there it is reported now in places the workers break into masses of gold in which pieces of virgin metal as large as hens' eggs occur; while in one case recently it is related that in blasting a cut for a railway one of the laborers jokingly wagered the loosened stuff would carry gold, and an assay proved the assertion correct.

When, or how, or where, this golden era will cease is a matter of speculation for those who wish to consider such a proposition. But one thing is certain: that the world's gold supply in use is going to be largely increased in the near future. The probability is that compared with the present the vast yield of California a third of a century ago will be but a small affair. Whether or not prosperity and happiness will increase among the people as a result, we know that the earth is now pouring forth its wealth of precious metals with a profusion never before witnessed in the history of man.

THE SUGAR BOUNTY DECISION.

The Supreme Court of the United States having decided that the sugar men should receive the bounty appropriated by Congress, there are some who look upon the decision as affecting the question of the constitutionality of the bounty law. As a matter of fact this question was not passed upon at all, as the language of the court clearly states. A brief recital of the history of the case will show how this is. Congress passed a law giving a bounty on sugar, and afterwards repealed that law. Certain bounties had been earned under the law by the sugar manufacturers, and Congress made an appropriation therefor. In the court of claims there had been an effort to obtain the sugar bounty, and there the question of the constitutionality of the bounty law came up; that court held that it was unconstitutional, and that is the method [illegible] procedure has gone in that direction. Upon the question, Auditor Bowler refused to pay the appropriation. He did not pass on the constitutionality of the law, but assumed to apply the decision of the court of claims to another law entirely—that making the appropriation. In this he was wrong, and when proceedings to enforce the payment of the appropriation were instituted the Louisiana court so decided.

The question of the constitutionality of the bounty law was not involved; it was the question as to whether an appropriation made by Congress for a specific purpose should be paid out. The Louisiana court held that Mr. Bowler had no business to withhold payment—virtually that whether the bounty law was or was not constitutional, the official had no right to disobey the mandate of Congress expressed in the law appropriating the money. On this point the case was carried to the Supreme court, and the Louisiana court was upheld by unanimous action of the judges. The question of the constitutionality of the bounty law was not passed upon, since it has been repealed, and the other law gave to the sugar manufacturers, without question, the money which had been appropriated for them.

A KINDLY WORD.

Two weeks ago two Utah young men who are engaged in preaching the Gospel in the State of Tennessee proceeded to Wayne county, and the next issue of the Waynesboro Tribune contained the following:

We received a pleasant call last Tuesday from Elders [illegible] and [illegible] of Salt Lake City, Utah, who are traveling over this county holding forth the tenets of the Mormon Church to our people. Whilst we do not [illegible] with them in the doctrine they promulgate, we think they are entitled to a hearing, and we hope our people will treat them kindly, as they appear to be young men of education and good standing. They say that polygamy is no longer practiced in Utah.

The foregoing kindly suggestion of the Waynesboro editor illustrates the hospitable feeling now so often exhibited in the Southern States toward the Elders there on missions, and displays a worthy spirit of Americanism. In this nation where the theory of the government is that every man may worship according to the dictates of his own conscience so long as he does not infringe upon the rights of others, a necessary element of carrying the theory into practice is to allow all a fair hearing and accord them kind treatment; or if there be no desire to listen to their doctrine, at least they should be unmolested and be given the kind consideration which their individual action merits. This is the true spirit of Americanism, so often disregarded in some parts of the country by people who abuse and vilify others for no other chief reason than that they are members of a particular church. The people of Utah can appreciate the kindness of our Waynesboro friend, and incidentally note the fact that his good feeling was awakened by personal observation of and conversation with the Elders named. Where the Mormon Elders avail themselves of opportunities to become acquainted with those leading men who formulate the better sentiment of a community, the effect always is good, as men of probity and intelligence cannot fail to be impressed by the sincerity, earnestness, and exemplary conduct of the missionaries, and their unselfish solicitude for the welfare of the souls of men.

SIDNEY RIGDON.

[illegible], Utah Co., May [illegible], 1896.

To the Editor:

Will you please answer through the News if Sidney Rigdon was ever re-baptized into the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints? It has been so stated. If so, I would like to know it. I have not seen anything of it in Church history, and have read most of the early history of the Church.

R. T. BLACKHAM.

We have no knowledge that he ever rejoined the Church. Those who state that he did must have confused his name with some one of the early leading men of the Church who fell away and later returned, which Mr. Rigdon did not do.

J. N. Corless, Esq., will this week commence the publication of the Grand Valley Times at Moab, the lovely little capital of Grand county. The southeastern part of the State has been little known in the past—it has had no paper—but important developments in the near future promise to change these conditions, and the Times, if properly managed, will no doubt prove a potent factor.

The papers are telling of a Pennsylvania veteran who has just learned that his name is erased from the pension roll because he has recovered from the ill effects of disease contracted during the war. For exhibition purposes this man would be worth more than his original pension amounted to; while as for honor, his name ought to be blazoned high on the portals of fame.

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It ought to seem it will be a "cinch" for the second place on the ticket, it would be unfortunate to have a [illegible].

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[illegible]

MONEY SAVING PRICES

10c MONEY SAVERS

[illegible] Dish, Milk Pans, Meat Dish, Doll Pans, Mustard Pots, Vegetable Dish, Salad Dish, [illegible] each, or 3 for [illegible]

TEA SETS

44 Pieces, complete for 12 persons. Pure White, Delicate Blue, Brown and Rich Gold Spray Decorations.

Money Saving Prices Per Set
2.[illegible] 2.[illegible] 2.[illegible] 3.[illegible] 3.[illegible] 4.[illegible]

DINNER SETS

60 Pieces, complete for 6 persons. Pure White, Delicate Blue, Brown and Rich Gold Spray Decorations.

Money Saving Prices Per Set
3.[illegible] 4.[illegible] 4.[illegible] 5.[illegible] 5.[illegible] 6.[illegible]

Great American Importing Tea Co.,
248 Main St., Salt Lake City.

Removal.

A. T. Moon, the ticket broker, has removed into his new office, 267 south Main street.

Wheel News.

As Decoration Day draws near, the interest in the Great Bicycle Road Race becomes greater. The boys are training very hard and anyone wishing to see one of the best races ever made should go. Take the observation train which leaves the Hot Springs Depot at 10 a. m. Fare Round Trip [illegible] cents.

All kinds of Perfumery and Toilet articles at the old reliable Godbe-Pitts Drug Store.

J. O. McDonald Candy Co. is between the Walker and Cliff hotels.

"Come to town at once, your baby is worse."

GRAND OPERA HOUSE — WEEK BEGINNING MONDAY, MAY 25

[illegible], Mgr.

THE GRAND OPERA HOUSE CON'T [illegible]

Confusion,

[illegible] Great Success.

[illegible]

Lyceum Theater.

Week commencing May 25th.

The celebrated Irish Comedian [illegible] in the great laughing [illegible] company

U AND I

[illegible]

Edison Phonograph and Kinetoscope Parlors,

Removed to 134 South Main St.

Among the numbers on the program will be found the latest and most popular selections published. Don't fail to hear it.

[illegible]

Any of the above selections on the [illegible] 134 South Main Street.

[illegible], Manager.

German Book of Mormon Just Issued

[illegible]

Every Statement is a Guarantee!

Pin any Z. C. M. I. advertisement to the article advertised, and there is your guarantee—a guarantee that doesn't stop short of your entire satisfaction. Is it any wonder that we did such a business last week?

Our— May Sale

Was a great success. Such a week of merchandising hasn't been seen in Salt Lake for many a month. Every department in this great store was fairly alive with busy buyers. It was wonderful the way we handled the great crowds, and everybody went away well pleased. That's the pleasure of dealing in this store.

Next Week

We will swing into line with an entirely new stock of summer goods. Everything the very latest. Just such summer dress stuffs as will be appearing at the sea sides in another month. Salt Lake women never had such a collection from which to choose, and they never even dreamed of prices so low. We have just received a big shipment of Summer Bonnets of the very latest Parisian patterns. Come in and see them this week.

Z. C. M. I.

T. G. WEBBER, Supt.

HOME MADE.

Pants Made to Order	-	-	-	-	$4.00 up
Suits Made to Order	-	-	-	-	$14.00 up
Ready Made Suits,	-	-	-	-	$12.50 up
Youths' Suits	-	-	-	-	$9.00 up
Children's Suits	-	-	-	-	$4.50 up
Men's Pants	-	-	-	-	$2.50 up

All kinds of Home Made Woolen Goods. If you want a suit that wears well, looks well, and at reasonable prices, buy Home Made from

CUTLER BROTHERS CO.,

Agents Provo Woolen Mills. 36 MAIN STREET, Salt Lake City

WANTS.

Twenty words for 3 times; inserted under this heading, once for 10c, twice for 20c, one week for 50c, one month for the per line. No ad. taken for less than 15c. Words of more than 5 lines same proportionate rate. Advertise and get results.

WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS.

BY A PRIVATE FAMILY, TWO GIRLS [illegible]

WISHING CONFECTIONERY AND ICE cream [illegible]

DON'T FORGET THE UTAH SCREEN & [illegible]

AN EXPERIENCED GIRL FOR GENERAL housework in family of three. Apply [illegible] Second street.

TOURISTS TO GET MORMON TEMPLE [illegible] Salt Lake Silk Factory, [illegible] Third South.

EVERYBODY TO USE DESERET BROOM [illegible]

ONE OR TWO GOOD SOLICITORS ON small salary and commission. [illegible] The [illegible] Manufacturing Company, [illegible] State St., Salt Lake City.

GEO. NELSON, BOOT AND SHOE REpairer. First class work. [illegible]

HORSE SHOEING, WAGON AND CARriage repairing. [illegible] South Main. [illegible]

HULBERT BROS., TRUNK MANUFACturers. Repairing. [illegible]

GENTS' SUITS CLEANED, PRESSED [illegible]

A FEW LARGE, CLEAN, SOFT RAGS for wiping machinery, at the Deseret News office.

EVERYBODY TO BUY THE BEST ICE cream at [illegible]

WANTED—EVERYBODY TO ORDER [illegible]

J. B. WALKER, PAINTING, PAPER hanging, [illegible] West, Fifth South Street, Salt Lake City.

ZINC SHAVINGS MADE TO ORDER AT [illegible]

500 FACES TO SHAVE AT [illegible]

GENTS' CLOTHING CLEANED, PRESSED [illegible]

CHEAPEST, BEST PLACE TO BUY AND [illegible]

A [illegible]

MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN TO [illegible]

EVERYBODY TO BUY THE BEST [illegible]

NEW AND SECOND HAND FURNI[illegible]

EVERY [illegible]

MINING [illegible]

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GIRL WANTED FOR HOUSE WORK. Apply with references at [illegible]

TWO MIDDLE AGED LADIES [illegible]

HIGHEST PRICES PAID FOR TIN AND junk. [illegible]

WANTED—HELP.

PETTY & HERRELNATH'S EMPLOYMENT Agency.

[illegible] West Second South, between Cullen Hotel and Postoffice.

[illegible]

DON'T SELL OLD COOK STOVES FOR old iron. [illegible]

MALE HELP WANTED.

TRUSTWORTHY PERSON TO TRAVEL. [illegible] Reference. Enclose self addressed stamped envelope. [illegible] Chicago.

WANTED—AN AGENT

IN EVERY SECTION, TO CANVASS; [illegible]

FOR SALE.

A GENTLE FAMILY HORSE, AGE SIX years. [illegible]

$2,000. HOUSE AND LOT, [illegible] TUTTLE Bros. No. [illegible] Main Street.

MOWER, RAKE, PLOW, HAYRACK, [illegible]

TYPEWRITERS BOUGHT, SOLD, EXchanged, [illegible]

ENGINE LATHE, IRON PLANER AND [illegible]

OAKLEY, CHOICEST CLOSE IN RESIdence [illegible]

CHOICE BUILDING LOTS IN EAST [illegible]

ELEVEN HOUSES AND FOUR IN [illegible]

FRUIT TREES, APPLE, [illegible] EACH, PEACH, [illegible]

PERRY WALL PAPER CO., [illegible] SOUTH [illegible]

WALL PAPER IN GREAT VARIETY AT [illegible]

GASOLINE ENGINES [illegible]

OUR WORK AND PRICES SUIT. [illegible]

ORDER YOUR COAL AT [illegible]

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GOOD MINING STOCK AND GOOD MINing property. [illegible]

AUCTION SALES.

WE WILL SELL AT PRIVATE SALE ON [illegible]

MUST BE SOLD.

A NICE 4 ROOM BRICK ON SIXTH East, [illegible]

SEEDS.

THE LARGEST AND CHEAPEST SEED house [illegible]

SEEDS, SEEDS, FOR FLOWER OR VEGEtable garden. [illegible]

STEAM HEATING.

P. J. MORAN—STEAM AND HOT WATer heating [illegible]

REPAIRING.

PUNCTURES 15c, SINGLE OR DOUBLE tube tires. [illegible]

UTAH CLEANING & TAILORING CO. [illegible]

H. F. CLARK, THE TAILOR, [illegible] cleaning and Repairing.

ALL KINDS OF STOVE REPAIRS AT [illegible]

FOR RENT.

NICELY FURNISHED ROOMS AT REAsonable rates. Arlington House, [illegible] Commercial street.

REMOVALS.

COAL, KINDLING, FIRST DOOR SOUTH of old stand, [illegible]

PIANO TEACHING.

A YOUNG LADY GRADUATE WANTS some young pupils [illegible] teacher's residence. Address [illegible]

MONEY TO LOAN

6 AND 7 PER CENT INTEREST ON IMproved city realty. [illegible]

2 FIVE-TON

WAGON SCALES

(Made by the Chicago Scale Co.)

For Sale Cheap.

Inquire at This Office.