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'The special attention of our readers' is directed to the expose on another shameless a set of vengeful plotters page of this paper, of a most dastardly | against the peace of society as ever act perpetrated by a press correspondent in this city, which has evoked the pointed politicians, preachers who have detestation and contempt of the entire | failed to accomplish anything in their newspaper fraternity here, with the sola | line of life, press writers hired to work exception of the scoundrel who is res- for ambitious parvenues, who have sponsible for the outrage. Those feel- begged for the influence of Church digings are shared by the merchants, real initaries in vain, and some people who estate men and all classes interested in have accepted the untruths manufac. the welfare of this city and state, it- tured by the clais we have mentioned, respective of creed or party. Non- help to keep up the din of misrepresen-"Mormons" are even more indignant. If | tation that is sounded through the land, possible, than the "Mormon" part of , and that is repeated from paper to pahe community.

for papers and copied into other jours No less faise and foolish is the report ids, that "Mormons" started the fire | that there is "a power and an interest ; the Tribune composing rooms is so regarded by Reed Smoot as greater and utterly without foundation in truth. more mandatory than the Constitution id, under the circumstances in which | of the United States." His duties as a the catastrophe occurred, so pripably. Senator are not regulated or directed abourd, that the originator of the cal- by any Church authority or influence, timuty appears before the public as idi- There is no attempt on the part of the otic in his extreme depravity. There | Church to which he belongs or any of is no excuse for his baseness or apolo- its authorities to interfere with the gy for his assimility. Nothing but anti- functions of civil government, national "Mormon" hatred and a wilful desire or local. The sphere of the Church and to slander and deceive, account for the | that of the State are separate and dis-Jabrication of his dispatch to the Denver Times.

It is the duty of that paper to disclose his name. It is firmly believed office to which he was elected by conby gentlemen associated with the press of this city, that the author of the shameful story is a well known sender of bogus "news" reflecting on the "Mormon" Church and people, but we will not mention names until we are sure we are right. Other dispatches have been wired from this point that were as false as the one now under the fire of general condemnation. That is but a sample of the rest, which are just as unreliable but perhaps not quite of rational and thoughtful people or so victous.

The miserable wretch who is engaged in that kind of work merits all the scorn and derision that are now provoked against him. He peed not fear the personal vetribution that he deserves, for no one here would harm him or touch him. But he will remain upder the despising and loathing of every decent person, and should be shunned as a moral leper, barred out of all re-

of the latter-day Gospel from a sincere conviction of its truth. To do so they had to stand on their own independence of thought and action, in the face of popular opinion and the threats, taunts, derision and sometimes forcible hostility of their neighbors and former associates. They forsook their native lands and severed family ties in most instances and traveled thousands of miles to join their co-religionists in a distant land. They are not of the stuff out of which slaves are fashioned. They are under the free institutions of the United States. They

claim and exercise the rights of free thought and free will. They yield their liberty to no man or set of men or organization under the sun. Their children, forming the great body of the community in this State, breathe the free air of the grand mountain heights that surround our fruitful vales. They

are under no yoke of bondage. They SALT LAKE, CUTY, - JUNE 20, 1906 | face a hostile world without fear and without a tremor or a doubt as to the

All the stories about their submission to a "hierarchy" are but echoes of falschoods concocted in this city by as cursed a quiet community. Disapper, until public opinion is formed The story sent over the wires to Den- out of mingled nonsense and calumny.

tinct in the minds and in the acts of

the Latter-day Saluts. Reed Smoot is as free to perform the duties of the stitutional methods, without any dietation or hindrance from his Church associates, as is any Senator or Representative in Congress. There is nothing in the evidence before the committee which proves the contrary.

The opinions of persons who simply echo popular sentiment that has grown out of false rumors and deep prejudice. amount to nothing as evidence. They ought to have no influence on the minds

papers. Irrefutable facts and testimony show them to be untrue, and time will demonstrate their fallacy. If the assertions made by the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle were right in letter or in spirit, we would join in its declaration that "Senator Smoot ought tobe sent home." But in view of the facts, we fully coincide with the report of the five eminent members of the

of the Church, of whom Smoot is one; that the rulers of the Church exercise a controlling influence in political affairs, and that the 'endowment oath mmits the rulers to enmity against the nation.

The first count is no more to be considered, in the face of the authoritative disavowal of the Church and the rapid decline of polygamous practices, than tacit approval of lynching which a nember of Congress might indulge. Po. lygamy is prohibited by an express canon of the Church; it is known to be falling into contempt among Mormon people; it is disappearing as rapidly as s possible with a social institution that arretofore had the sanction of law and he supposed approval of Divine revela To expect the Church authorities stamp it out instantly is too much, ought to be sufficient that they have : their faces against it and that this Mormons of the present and the rising generation are thoroughly com-mitted against the abhorrent practice. Sepator Smoot bimself is a monogamist ind is on record as consistently using

ils influence to suppress the svil. "The finding that the rulers of the Church exercise a controlling influence in political affairs is probably true, and is to be condemned, but at the worst is not such control as is contemplatd in the idea of union of church and tate. There are many cliques in polics, many factions in partles and fre-

ment instances of religious prefudice in sublic affairs. They are all bad, and he case of the Mormons differs only in being worse. If it is proper to exclude Senator Smoot on this account it is roper to invalidate all Utah elections, tate as well as federid, for the conof to which the report alludes applies a all political action in the Mormon, difate

That paper gives the text of the although on its face it looks "feroclous | Mexico, and treasonable," yet "in the light of history it may now be called a figure of Senator Smoot has since subscribed fealty to the United States in his constitutional oath of office, and to that extent has recanted the Mormon vendetta." The Record then argues that, "If Smoot is disqualified, every Mor-

mon is disqualified, for the private members of the Church subscribe to all the doctrines which the rulers pro-mulgate. If Smoot may not held office the Mormon elector should not be alwed to vote. Smoot must be held responsible 11 or polygamous crimes which he cannot

whate, other senators might as reason ably be held accountable for the crimes of their constituents which their states fail to punish.

The Great Falls, Montana, Daily Tribune, which is a Democratic paper, deprecates the lining up of certain Senators apparently on party lines against Reed Smoot, and thinks the alignment of the Democrats on the committee was "without sufficient justification in the evidence produced before the committee" and it fears that "if he be denied his seat in the Senate on the grounds forecasted by the evidence, a very bad precedent indeed would be

made and one that is liable to return to plague its authors." That paper then remarks editorially:

"It is worth while reviewing this campaign for the unscating of Reed Smoot from its inception. It com-Smoot from its inception. It com-menced with a number of clergymen nd sisters of various religious denominations, hostile to that with which Smoot was connected, alleging that he was a polygamist and violator of the law against a plurality of wives, like Congressman Roberts, and deserved a like fate. There was not a particle of vidence worth the name pr duced in support of that charge, and it was soon

acticaly dropped and another charge

R. C. Pitzer: "All the World's a Stage, persons to take part in such seances. the Doctor does not appear to be a spiritualist. For that is widely different from the belief in the reality of the world beyond the yeil.

To find an eminent physician a firm believer in the reality of the spiritual world may be something to make a note of. For many disciples of Acsculapius are, for some reason or other, crass materialists. They seem unable to believe in anything they cannot dissect. An eminent professor once said: "I have been digging in the cadaver for over twenty years and never found any vestige of a soul." Consequently he refused to believe in its existence. That is the position of many physiclans. Those who, like Lapponl-and they are also many-believe though they have not seen, are worthy of all

All paving of roads leads to Moran.

The rare days are coming in bunches now.

Bud whisky constitutes a good deal of the spirit of anarchy,

People who own cats and chickens shouldn't throw stones.

"Distance lends enchantment to the view," sometimes in the case of a can-

Politics in all probability will not eged endowment oath and argues that, make bedfellows of Arizona and New

The President has proven that there speech," that taking it at its worst, are more ways than one of having one's way.

> Get up early tomorrow morning so as to enjoy to the full the longest day of the year.

Esperanto is said to be impracticable because it has no slang or naughty words in it.

It must have been a very wet season in New York, so much water has been squeezed out of stocks,

The trouble about seeing America or ony other place first is that the ticket agent has first to be seen.

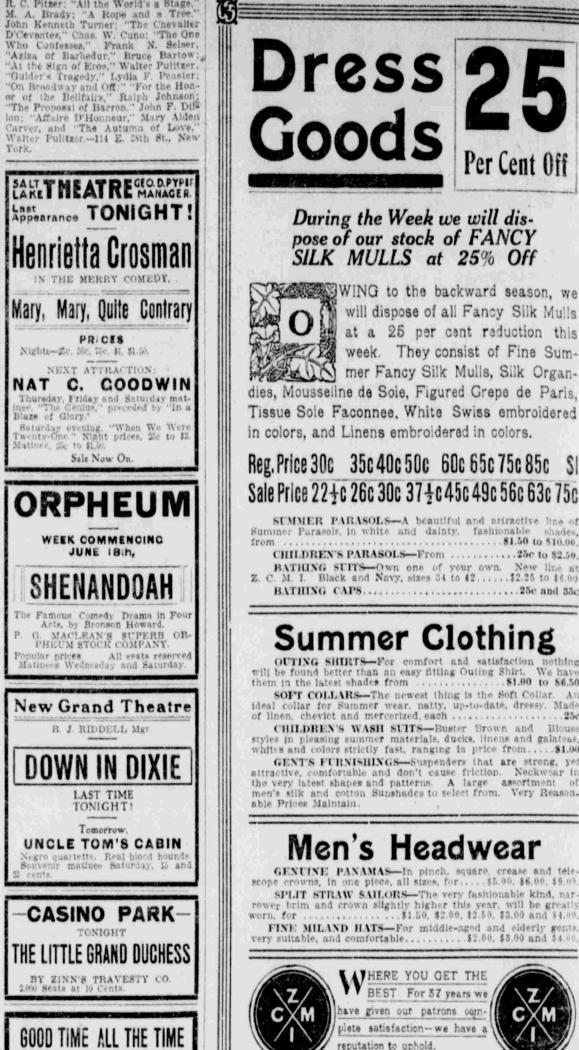
Dowje says he got his Elijah's mantle by degrees. It seems to have been longer in coming than it will be in going.

The Russian nobles call the peasants 'brothers." They have the same brotherly feeling for them that Cain had for Abel.

A Colorado judge holds that corporations can commit no crime. Perhana the same court would hold that they never commit outrages.

To read that Russia is shocked over the massacre of Jews at Bialystok would make one laugh were it not for weeping for these victims of fiendish hate.

Secretary Taft has prepared a bill which Senator Warren has introduced for him to get rid of inefficient officers and facilitate promotions in the army.



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AN IMPORTANT "IF."

The Rochester, (N. Y.), Democrat and Chronicle commences an orgument against Senator Smoot with this sentence: "The authority of the twelve apostles over the consciences and lives of Mormons is practically absolute." It makes this ridiculously false assertion on the authority of statements in the majority report of the committee which, although contrary to the evidence adduced, do not go to the extrems point reached by the Rochester raper. If its premises were correct. and it is true that Reed Smoot "does" represent in the Senate a power and aninterest regarded by him as greater and more mandatory than the Constitution of the United States," then its conclusion would be logical that "he should be sent home." Certainly, "IL" But "If" the assoriton of the Rochester paper is untrue, then its entire argument with its conclusion fall flat in the mire with many other anti-"Mormon" failacies and faise. hoods

Neither the Democrat and Chronich nor the signers of the majority report of the committee, can find anything in the doctrines or discipline or practices or customs of the "Mormon" Church to justify the announcement concerning the authority of the Twelve Apostles of that Church, hor can anybody be found, who is in good standing in the Church, who will admit for a moment that either his conscience or his life is under the direction or control of the Twelve Apostles or of any other body of ecclesiasts. The Council of the Twelve Apostles, as was shown clearly and positively in the textimate before the committee, is not endowed with authority to regulate the consciences of Church members, nor bus H any power over their lives. The affirmation of the Rochester paper is a bit of sheer fiction.

It is not supported by anything to be found even in the blased report of the majority of the committee. In splits of evidence to the contract, the framers of that report convey the motion that the Church of Jesus Christ of Laborday Saints is dominated by a "helf-per petunting body of Sittern primits meaning the First Presidency composed of three persons, shill the council or quorum of the Twelve Apostles. It was shown beyond fair spreasion the these are separate and distinct organ izations, and that the presiding puthority is vested in the First Presdency. The functions of the aposts were explained, and it was proved that the right of presidency cornersa to. the Twelve only when the Floit Proddenicy was by any means traperarily dissolved; that the council of the Twrive acts inder the direction of the First Presidency as much as any other nigualization of the Prinsthood; and that there is no power vested in, exer-] cleed or elaimed over the consciences or lives of the members, either by the First Presidency, the Twelve Apostles or any other organization in the Church.

The "Mormon" reople have gathered from the leading nations of the world and from every part of this Republic. They came out of the different religsus bodies and accepted the principles

ttee that he is entitled to his seat. and we are sure that he will fill it to the credit of the State he represents and to the honor of this great nation,

MORE PRESS OPINIONS.

conquer.

mon terms, the argument was that the Mormon Church teaches that the law of God (only to be known through its We have a few more press comments on the case of Senator Smoot, as medium) is to be obeyed before the presented in the reports from the comlaw of men (made known through government statutes) where the two conflict. It seems to us the argument mitte on privileges and elections, and add them to those already published familiar sound to the ear. in this page, feeling assured that they ate William E. Gladstone once mainained in an argument with Cardinal daming that a good Catholic could will be of general interest. They af-Manning that a good Catholic could not be a good citizen at the same time, because on questions of morals ford further illustrations of the correctness of the saying that "Truth will ain its way," and that "Time works with which the state dealt in legislawonders." Preludice is hard to overon, and with which the church also dealt, a man must owe his first and highest allegiance to one or the other, come and faisehood flourishes for a while, but in the end the right will and both claimed the supreme right to is obedience. With slight changes he same argument might be fitted to he teachings of the Presbyterian or The Portland Oregonian, which has

always taken the non-"Mormofi" side Methodist churches. In fact, to expel Senator Smoot because of his loyalty of questions relating in any way to the his religious beliefs is creating majority of the people of Utah, yet mighty dangerous precedent. That, in substance, seems to us about what the deals fairly with the reports that have come from the committee in the case of majority of the committee want to do, however their purpose is disguised by the senior Utah Senator. The followspectous reasoning. "Again, we feel impelled to protest ing is a full copy of an editorial from that paper

against the action of men and women who have signed monster petitions praying the senate to expel Reed Smoot, and like action taken by hos-" 'Assume a virtue if you have it not.' It seems to be the motto of a group of Senators who have pronounced against Senator Smoot, of Utab, and want to smoot, and like action taken by hos-tile religious conventions and gather-ings. This is not a matter of legislation, it is a judicial matter, and a very fin-portant one at that. The senate is sit-ting as a final court of investigation for action on charges against the eligi-bility of a citizen to represent other insent him. Against Smoot, as man, itizen or Senator, not a word is to be He is a man of exemplary personal and private character; but he is a member of the Mormon Church, Some billity of a citizen to represent othe Mormons practice polygamy, or have citizens in a sovereign state. It is gross-ly improper while they are hearing practised it; but Smoot is not one of se. A man must be turned out of Senate, if any of the members of testimony and investigating the case of petition them to find a verdict of guilty before the evidence is all in. In any the Church to which he adheres do wrong. This is the substance of the other case involving judicial action in ictum of the majority of the Sena a court inferior to the United States ommittee on elections. Everything that could stir prejudice against the were these religious brothers mate and sisters to present a petition to the Mormons is lugged in to support this lies. It matters not that Smoot himjury to find the accused guilty while the case was on trial, the judge would is a man of irreproachable charac All who have testified on the sub very properly order the petitioners thrown into jail for contempt of court. but admit that he has led and is lead-Senator Smoot Is a Republican ma of every kind. It is shown either of which positions meets with that he never has countenanced or enadmiration or nonroval with us, and yet we feel like saying most emphaticouraged polygamy, but has done as much as any one to bring about the prohibilion of the practice. Ity at this time that the prosecution of Senator Smoot has right along appeared to us very much like persecu-

A PHYSICIAN'S FAITH.

Dr. Lappont, the physician of the

Pope, is, it is claimed, a "spiritualist."

which he maintains that today we have

the proof, not of the probability but the

certainty of communication between

"terrestrial beings and the intellectum

and supernatural forces which once

had an existence on earth, but which

now belong to other worlds unknown

to us." The Dottor, we are told, des

clares it is no longer possible to doubt

The reality of the relations between her

ings of a higher order and man, nor

can we question the facility with which

these boings respond to man's prayers.

The book is said to have made quite

a stir in Italy, but just soly is not clear,

Dr. Lappont is undoubtedly a good

nor the reality of the phenomena which

"Suppose close inquiry were made to the private character and secret s of the Senators who condemu what one of them could get by quarter such report as the of the committee, eachewing tion, and we believe a grievous injustice will be done him, the State of Uiah, and American Institutions, If he is expelled on the showing of evidence ant and pharisaism, render in Smoot's made.

Smoot's religious beliefs or Church No one has a right to pass judg-tions concern nobody but him-No one has a right to pass judg-t opon them. At least or at most cannot be more absurd or erro-us than those of a lot of other pea-But it is a fashion of old sinn v versed to salutship, as opportunity my offer, in order to cover delinque ries of their own. For it is to be under stood that such virtue as backs up this raid on Smoot not only stands on fraz-en Alps of purity, but would give no quarter to trusts or other plunderers, as to any kind of misbehavior. The deputy in remporary authority, in "Measure for Measure, is a type of a lat of 'mighty good people."" The Fort Worth Record takes up the

majority report without reference to the report of the minority, and, taking for granted the chief charges against Senator Smoot and the Mormon Church proceeds to comment editorially upon at man's demand may take place. them. It says:

No Mormon used apply. "That is the effect of the majority re-

port of the Senate committee on the Catholic, and believes, as do all Chris-fitness of Reed Smoot to sit in the tians, in the reality of the unseen world.

substituted in its place. This was to If it will effect its purpose it should b the effect that Reed Smoot owed a enacted into law. But so long as fahigher allegiance to the Mormon Church than he did to the United the Mormon voritism and not merit rules in making tates, and that his obligations to the many appointments and promotions, Church were inconsistent with his ob-ligations in the oath of office taken by the army will be overburdened with inefficient officers. him as senator. Reduced to its com-

> "When China emulates her neighbor in the adoption of western civilization and adapts her system of jurisprudence and her modes of judicial procedure to western ideas of justice, her tribunals will be treated with as much respect as is now shown to those of Japan," says the New York Sun. When China shows herself to be a nation of fighters like Japan has, her tribunals will be treated with as much respect as is now shown to those of Japan."

> "Dishonest mortar-a corrupt, conglomeration of sea sand and lime-was responsible for nearly all of the earthquake damage in San Francisco, says Dr. T. Nakamura, professor of architecture of the imperial university of Tokio and one of the most distinguished members of the committee dispatched to that city by the Japanese government to investigate the effects of tremblor and fire. A pretty broad indictment, containing, most probably, quite as much truth as poetry,

RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

Gunter's Magazine for July has sev-Gunter's Magazine for July has sev-eral excellent short stories. Among these are: "The Elusive Mrs. Dicker-man;" "The Oysterman Below;" "When Dolores Camg;" "Booming Henrietta;" "Mr. Capper's Dog," and "The Duffer." Among the notable ar-ticles are part second of "The Pittfalls and Triumphs of Mining Speculation." "Twixt Sword and Glove," Archibald Gunter's royel is continued. "Plays Gunter's novel, is continued. "Plays of the Hour," are entertainingly dis-cussed. The illustrations are very good, and the cover design gives the publication a very attractive appear-ance.-3 E. Fourteenth St., New York,

The Business Philosopher is a little magazine that can be heartily recom-mended to all, for everyone will find in it some helpful suggestions. It is tull of brief, breezy articles on prac-tical topics, the kind that will make "a man stupid become a man in-spired." Among the topics discussed spired. in the June issue are the following: The Latest in Business Banquets," "Law and Luck," 'Ideals of Growth and Success." This is accompanied by a fine portrait of Abraham Lincoln. The magazine is devoted entirely to of business and the principles determining the revolution of success."-The Science Press, The Re-SUCCESS. public, Chicago. He is said to have issued a book in

Out West for June is a "San Franulson Number It commences with a paper by Paul Cowles, of the Associated Press, on "What Really Happened." This is a graphic description of the great catastrophe, copiously illustrated. It is followed by a paper entitled "The Tremblor," a personal narration by Mary Austia. This is also well filustratsd. The Earthquake at Stanford University" is described by David Starr Jordan. There are several other notable contributions on the subject, and the entire disaster is depicted with strict regard to the facts.-217. New High St., Los Angeles,

The following is the list of contents of Young's Magazine for July: "The Death Watch," Gabriels D'Annunzio, "Him that Delighteth in Wickedness," E. A. Church, "That Protecting E. M. Church, "That Protecting Edith M. Blanchard; "Master and Miscreant," Aloysius Coll: "A Drawing Room Dust," Mathilde Serao: Unded States Senate. "The report finds that polygamy is still practised by many Mormons with the connivance of the apostles or rules up spirits at will, or command departs in the readity of the unseen world. If by "spiritualist" is meant one who believes he has the power of callings up spirits at will, or command departs in the readity of the unseen world. If any is the readity of the unseen world. If by "spiritualist" is meant one who believes he has the power of callings up spirits at will, or command departs in the readity of the unseen world. If any is the readity of t