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WATCH THE DESERET NEWS!

Readers of the Deseret News will not be misled by flaring headlines which are unwarranted by stories told or facts occurring, nor by "fake" dispatches or trumped up sensations, either about the Russo-Japanese war or other matters of news. We will give our readers the truth as far as It can be ascertained, without improper embellishments or fanciful exaggerations. In the rush of events occasioned by the outbreak in the Orient, which threatens to spread westward and involve European powers notwithstanding their declarations and intentions about neutrality, some errors will doubtless occur in the hurried sending of dispatches from the seats of hostilities. But these will be corrected upon the receipt of more complete information. The Deseret News will not do or say anything to mystify or mislead the public for the sake of agitation or sensation, but will be up with the times to a dot, in furnishing reliable tidings of all current events. Watch our columns for the latest reliable word on the situation!

RECLAMATION BY WATER.

Our readers were prepared from what we have already published, for the development of the great plans devised

barron can be brought under cultivation, areas now partly irrigated can receive a greater supply, the water problem for this city can be solved, and the Salt Lake question, about which so many petty notions and frivolous queries have been advanced, will be finally settled and we will all rejoice together over the salvation by water which will come to our growing state. Read the report carefully and note the grandeur and practicability of its propositions!

ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

The anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln is gratefully remembered by Americans everywhere today, and especially is his life's work placed before the children of the American schools. And this is eminently proper. As long as the Union of American states lasts; as long as their flag floats i before the breeze, the name of Lincoln must be remembered, and his memory honored. Columbus was inspired to seek and to find this vost continent; Washington was called upon to lay the foundations here for the nome of human liberty and rights; to Lincoln the special mission was given to preserve this home from destruction that surely would have overtaken it, had it be come divided against itself. He performed his life's work, fearlessly, kindly, and faithfully, though death became his earthly reward for his services to the people. The history of such men as Lincoln is indeed precious to the nation, and to mankind. It furnishes inspiration to the youth to choose the paths of honor and rectitude. and to continue faithfully in these, notwithstanding opposition, and difficulties, awaiting patiently the verdict of the future as to the real value of the work done. Such inspiration is needed. for there is still a great mission before the American patriots. Before this is fulfilled, many a Washington, many a Lincoln is still needed to live and die

THE CZAR'S PROCLAMATION

for the great principles upon which

American government is founded.

To judge from the Russian emperor' proclamation in which he accepts the Japanese challenge, he did not expect that hostilities would break out so soon. The Russian calculation was to continue the negotiations for a long time yet, and even when the diplomatic relations were severed, Russia did not expect an immediate attack. This is clear from the imperial proclamation. Japan, however, is moving with the speed of a lion making a spring for its prey; Russia has the slower gait of the Polar bear. The first advantage is evidently on the side of the lion. But the final outcome is none the less uncertain at this time. The Japanese are hopeful of victory, perhaps too much so, The Russian painter Verestchagin does not exaggerate, when he says that

"fudge," "tush," and "vow." Possibly the idea of the association is good. Possibly some handy words are needed for ejaculations prompted by certain contingancies. But generally it is the frameof mind of the speaker, more than the expressions he selects, that is objectionable. A person who in a moment of anger, or fear, or astonishment, naturally calls upon the evil powers to curse the cause of the emotion, or who takes the Lord's name in vain, evinces deplorable depravity. But this is not

made any less by the change of expressions. If "gosh," and "crickey" and the rest of them are used to represent the ideas generally expressed by the users of profane language, they are as objectionable as any swear word. What is needed is, not a set of new words, but a remedy for the disposition to call upon the powers of evil, or upon the Deity except in humble prayer; something is needed to restrain the habit of cursing and consigning everything and everybody to eternal damnation. It is the swearing itself that is the bad

habit, no matter what the words used are. It is useless, vulgar, and foolish. Whatever is more than a plain affirmative, or negative, is from the evil one. The Japs certainly are doing a Rus-

sian business. At this season of the year there is

no arid land. Let your radium so shine that men may see how it works.

Some of the catsup is so bad that a cochineal can be driven through it.

Wars and rumors of battles constitute about all the news from the Orient, The Russian navy has found out that

It is the unexpected that always happens, Senator Hanna is reported weaker. This is the first time he was ever known

The trouble is not to know a good thing when you see it, but to seize it when you see.

to weaken.

Mr. Bryan gets so much advice that it would be an impossibility for him to use a hundredth part.

A naval appropriation bill surrounded by a Foss should be reasonably sife from attack. "Hats off," is the latest society or-

der from the White House. The order is addressed to the ladies. Daniel Sully has made an immense fortune out of cotton. This forever

gives him a Sullyed reputation. Senator Gorman favors internal improvements. So does Senator Hanna,

his love, alike in responsible offices, the creator of its great surface transit system and as a generous and intellisystem and as a generous and inten-gent patron of the arts. But it was for his winning personal qualities—his gen-ius for friendship, his habit of finding his greatest enjoyment in bestowing happiness upon others, his generosity and geniality—that Mr. Whitney will be more chosened most sincerely mourned and the longest remembered.

New York Times.

To any one who has observed the career of Mr. Whitney it is evident that he had wider interests and was devothe had wher interests and was devot-ed to the attainment of more objects than fail within the scope of most men's desires. Neither to the amassing of a fortune, nor to politics, nor to pleasure, data because the second second second second second data because the second sec did he give himself wholly up, but to each in rational measure and due pro-portion. The breadth of his interests made his life an unusually full one, made him an exception among the con-spicious personages of the time, while the warmth of his friendships and his unfailing desire to promote happiness and success won him friends far outnumbering the usual allotment even of much-admired men. It was a well rounded, noble and distinguished ca. It was a reer, untimely ended.

New York Herald.

On the turf Mr. Whitney won golden opinions by his efforts to rescue ! American race track from the clutches of a most undesirable contingent and to elevate "the sport of kings" to its pres-ent higher plane. William C. Whitney ent nigher plane. Winnam C. Windey was certainly, in our American phrase, "a remarkable man," who displayed equal capacity in public office, in cor-porate finance and in the realm of legit-imate sport, and whose untimely re-moval from many spheres of usefulness will be chocees moureed. will be sincerely mourned.

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Hartford Times.

When we go over the list of Mr. Whit-ney's landed possessions, covering so many thousands of acres in so many different states, the two superb houses in New York in which he successively lived and in one of which he died, and lived and in one of which he died, and his various other possessions, we feel more strongly this opulence for which he was so notable. "Spending money like water" was one of his personal habits, and no nobleman or grand duke in the world lived more righty than he lived. Yet he was given to no ex-hausting excesses. He *cas, in fact, incapable of excess, and only once in his life did he overtax his physical his life did he overtax his physical powers. This happened when he was corporation counsel of New York.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

February cullnary affairs in general, and entertaining as well, are covered in Cooking Club for February. Candles for St. Valentine's day, cookery for the Lenten season, birthday and anniversary events, receive due attention. Prize Sunday dianers, favorite recipes and much other timely cookery matter cannot fail to be attractive to the housewife .-- Cooking Club Publishing Co., Goshen, Ind.



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this vasire to reach the people of the

for an efficient water supply in northern and central Utah, presented in the statement which appears in this issue of the "News," as foreshadowed in our columns on Thursday evening. Some particulars of this grand project have been given to the public, but now they appear in connected and detailed form, and will be received with universal satisfaction.

Summed up, the propositions are: To carry out the Utah lake measure according to the proposals already made, To feed the lake with water from the Duchesne river and its tributaries and branches, conserved by a reservoir in Strawberry valley, and conveyed though Spanish Fork, and also carry portions of the flow southwesterly to irrigate arid tracts in Utah county, and northerly to enter and irrigate areas in the higher western part of Salt Lake coun. ty. To store and utilize in the best practical manner the waters of the Provo, Weber and Ogden rivers, and make channels for their proper distribution. To convert Bear Lake into a reservoir for all the streams in Bear Lake valley and increase the volume of Bear river; also to utilize the surplus waters of the Blackfoot branch of the Snake river for that purpose, and for the benefit of the basins on the way from storages to the Bear. Further, to construct a channel from the latter along the west side of Cache valley and probably on to Malad valley. To divert a portion of the Bear from a point where it enters Sait Lake valley, by a canal southward along the base of the Wasatch mountains in this valley, to connect with the canal from Spanish Fork northward, and thus provide irrigation for bench lands in Box Elder, Weber, Davis, Sait Lake and Utah countles. And the building of an embankment along a part of the Lucin cut-off, which would decrease the area of the Great Salt Laks and Increase its volume by shutting out the part lying to the north of the embankment. This briefly states the salient points of the scheme, and anybody acqualnied with the "tay of the land" and the

run of the streams, can easily understand, to some extent at least, the immense benefits that would result to Ciah from the execution of the plans proposed. That they at once received the approval of the government englneers and other officials fainlifar with such matters, is but natural. It is a subject of great congratulation, too, that Utah, which lad out in the work of American irrigation, should be first to come to the national government with measures of a plain and practical character, that enn be carried out to immense advantage under the congressional irrigation act for the reclamation of acid and sumi-arid hands.

The Utah committee appointed by the Governor is to be commended for its prompt action in this direction, and especially Engineer A: F. Deremus and Attorney F. B. Richards, who have spent much time for many months in daborating the plans and specificathats, are to an perison for their work and for the manage in which it has been presented to the government offi-If these for reaching and well ton belocks and source in addition easted into effort, the bonefits that will result reasons by fully predicted, nor can figures be given in dullars and wants that will convey that fitserial

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"they have lost all sense of proportion in their pride in their strength and their military power. Ever since they conquered China, the Japanese have been convinced that they could conquer Russia with equal facility. No argument can persuade them to abandon that presumptuous conviction. Public opinion in Japan has taken on such a perfervid brand of excitement that it is absolutely necessary for the govern-

succeeds in destroying, or crippling the

Russian squadron in the Pacific, it will

still have to meet and overcome this

army, before she can force her peace

spired by "patriotism," so called, but

they certainly worship the Czar, and

the Russian filial love, as it may be

called, has proved an excellent sub-

stitute for "patriotism." They rendered

a good account of themselves in the

wars with Napoleon, in the Crimean

war, and the war with Turkey, and

there is no reason to doubt that they

VALENTINES.

The modern valentine is said to have

been invented by one Miss Esther How-

land of Worcester, Mass. Until her im-

proved methods became fashionable.

written or crudely printed verses satis-

fied the devotes of St. Valentine. Miss

Howland was the daughter of a book-

seller. She had a good education, and

wished to improve her father's busi-

ness. To do this, so the story goes, she

took stiff letter paper, scalloped and

fringed the edges, cut heart-shaped

toles in the corners, glued colored pic

tured that came with raisins and re-

and such things, on this, put borders of

lace paper that was used on the insid-

edges of fancy boxes then us today,

around the pictures, and hand-painted

little verses on them. The valentines

found ready purchasers, and soon bush

ness men in New York and other cities

began to order them for the next year

Four girls were hired to assist in make

ing the valentines. Pictures and em-

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These soldiers may not be in-

ment to attempt some herole perform-New American Navy" is barred from ance in order to calm the exaltation of the libraries of vessels in the United the popular mind and to bring it to States navy. This will be pleasant news some sense of the reality of things." to Edgar Maclay. An impression prevails in Japan that Russia does not dare to attack the

The Prince of Wales is a great Phi-Japanese fleet; that the soldiers are latelist, having recently purchased at undisciplined and devoid of patriotism. auction, for \$7,400, a two-penny Mauri-In this they are certainly mistaken. tlus stamp of 1847. A man to indulge There are now, perhaps, 200,000 Russian in philatery must have the "stamps." soldiers in eastern Asia, and this number will be rapidly increased. If Japan

Professor Edward MacDowell, head of the music department of Columbia university, has resigned. This, taken in connection with Professor Woodberry's resignation, shows that there is music in the air around Morning Heights,

What is the good of prosecuting life prisoners for prison breaks and attempting to escape? This: Supposing they are convicted and given a maximum sentence not to run concurrently with the life sentence but to begin after it has expired. When that has expired there would still be the other sentence to serve. After all it is not such a laughing matter as one of the life convicts involved thought.

Alfred F. Stevens of Newark has instituted suit in the court of chancery at Trenton, N. J., against the United States Steel corporation to have that corporation show cause why it first increased and subsequently discontinued paying dividends on its common stock, It is not necessary to go to a court of chancery to find that out. The dividends were paid to catch suckers and when they were caught the balt was taken off the hook,

WILLIAM C. WHITNEY.

St. Paul Globe There was no more sagacious polifian (mong the ranks of the old guard oan William C. Whitney. There was me more highly respected, none whose erd was regarded as more sacred. presence or participation amanded more immediate confidence the part of the public. He has done at service for Demacracy, and De-cever honors him accordingly. He was a public spirited and patentic, it's see, and deserved well of his country. He was a loyal and lovable man, and the place that he held among his friends will not be filled.

Milwaukee Wisconsin.

The death of W. C. Whitney is not the activity of W. C. Wanney is not rest charge explained. Was it due to ap-conditities, or to blood poisoning, or to the includity of his system to raily fram he affect produced by the start adminwhen he was about to undergo surgleal operation? If can alloged, as it often is when this from appendicities, that united to an operation. that he was in the life y tilght, and the first surgical oper cubol was performed

New York World.

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