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## IT WILL NOT WORK.

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The attempt to organize an anti-"Mormon' party in Idaho, is pretty generally recognized as a scheme in the interest of a wily politician, who sees no hope of success in either of the parties to which he has belonged, and so is trying to find a foothold on an amalgamation from which he may wanlt back into the seat which he feels is slipping from under him. The Pocatello Advance of recent date makes some editorial comments which indicate the feeling in that State, and we notice that even the Boise Statesman which not long ago entered into the spirit of the anti-"Mormon" movement, scems to have come to its senses or at least is not so vicious and vehement on the question. The annexed paragraph is from the Advance:

"When Senator Dubois speaks of the "When Senator Dubois speaks of the Mormon church being 'feared and hat-ed' he should have said 'by those re-ligious bigots whose faith is less than skin deep,' for if they had the faith of the mustard seed they would see that there was no danger from Mor-monism. Mormonism is wrong and will not neveral. If it were vischt it should not prevail. If it were right, it should prevail, co what is the occasion for worry?" worry?

The logic of the Advance might be considered conclusive if its premise were correct that "Mormonism is wrong." But that is an open question for theologians and sociologists to discuss, while the "Mormons" declare that | the seat of war. The conflict will also

should have votes, Neither Uitlander nor any others have votes under our rule. We asserted that we intended to rule. We asserted that we intended to convert the country into a working-man's paradise. We import Chinese chattels in order to exclude British workingmen, because the gold mag-nates say that the latter would insist on votes and a fair wage. At present, we respect the Boers, and we despise the greedy crew of cosmopolitan money grubbers for whom we fought. Lord Milner is far more unpopular in the Transvani than was Mr. Kruger, and Boers. Britons, and even the cosmopol-Boers, Britons, and even the cosmopoli tans for whom he has done so much, unite in denouncing him."

Only four years ago, Paul Kruger was landed, an exile, on the coast of France. For a moment he became the hero around whom French enthusiasm centered. But he soon fell into oblivion. The African republics were wiped off the map, and "the poor old man's mind At length he was summoned failed." by death, but it is a great tribute to his memory, and to his lost cause, that by British orders his body is to be buried with honor, and not as that of a rebel. Oom Paul, however, will soon be forgotien, and the destiny of his country will be shaped by such men as Milner, and Jameson who owes his life to the clemency of Kruger, Times change.

FRUIT, RIPE AND GREEN,

Fruit is recommended as an exceltent health food, and a remedy against many physical ills. But if the recommendation is to be followed it is necessary to remember that fruit, to be healthy, must have been picked ripe. The oriental idea that the "strength of youth" is in the green fruit, and that fruit eaten before ripe, consequently, is preferable, is not admitted to be correct. Those who recommend fruit as food, mean ripe fruit-fruit as prepared in nature's own great establishment. But it is well known that nearly all fruit that is imported from a consider-

able distance is picked green, and permitted to "ripen" in transit, or in the market. Such fruit, though apparently ripe, is not wholesome. It is picked before made ready for consumption by nature, and therefore almost unfit for the table.

The lesson of these facts is that fruit should be eaten "in the season thereof," and particularly the kind that grows near at home, and can be marketed ripe. Utah is blessed with soil and climate for the best kind of fruit. The orchards should be taken good care of, and the home product should be more eagerly consumed than the kinds that cannot be had in a ripe condition, because grown so far away. The fact is that foreign fruit, instead of being

# NEW WAR HORRORS.

wholesome, is often more or less injuri-

ous to the system.

One of the agreements at The Hague conference was not to use balloons in war as vehicles for explosives. The agreement was made effective only for a certain number of years, and the time is now said to have about expired. Rumor has it that the two belligerents in the far east are contemplating the

use of the balloon for the purpose of dropping shells over cities and encampments. If this threat is carried out, there will be some terrible news from.

of the words 'Love thy neighbor as thy-self,' 'Thou shalt not steal.' 'Thou shalt do no murder,' 'Peace on earth and good will toward men,' instead of los-ing themselves on their hearers in unfathomable and completely useless dog-mas, such an injustice as the present one would be impossible. But probably such really Christian feelings are non-

such really Christian teenings are name sense in modern policy. And the same Christians send out missionaries to Japan. In the name of truth, one ought to protect the Aslatics from such Christianity." The sentiments expressed are creditable to the explorer. No right-thinking person will dispute the truth of them. In the present case, however, Tibet seems to have been placed between Russia and Great Britain, The question was whether the country should fall under Russian or British influence, Under the circumstances we presume there

can be no regret at British success. though Tibet's loss of independence may be regretted, if that is to be her fate. Great Britain stands for freedom and progress. Russia stands for tyranny. If England has outwitted Russia in Tibet, the Tibetans themselves are to be congratulated.

Strange that letting the cattle live should kill the beef trade.

Every time the Red sea fleet captured prize it didn't draw a prize.

When a public man in Russia dies his career is said to be Finnished not ended. The Japanese are expecting to hear of the fall of Port Arthur any hour.

Perhaps the hour is walting for the man. If the siege of Port Arthur is long and the defense obstinate, let the Rus-

slans remember it was the same at Plevna. Kuropatkin has the good taste not to sing, "Hold the fort for I am coming." To those in Port Arthur is would be

mockery. When a highwayman on a motorcycle holds up and robs a party of automobilists it may be called the warfare of

science. Hon. Elihu Root won't run for governor. Of course not. A man who has been secretary of war is supposed never to run.

Russia and England will not allow their differences over the Red sea incidents to reach an acute stage. This shows that they are cute.

The Arabia herself was not confiscated because less than half her cargo was contraband, which was sold, Moral In contraband trade, let less than half the cargo be subject to seizure.

At Topeka less than a score of bolting Populists met to put a ticket in the field but finally decided to disband. It was the wise thing to do. It was too much like the tailors of Tooley street to go ahead.

When a congressional convention ballots seven hundred and twenty times with no result, as did a convention at St. Joseph, Mo., it is prima facle evidence that someone is stuffing the ballot box.

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they know it is right. In any case it is true that "there is no danger in Mormonism," to anybody. And we are of the opinion that it is too late in the day to make It a political issue in Idaho or elsewhere, as it is purely a matter for social and religious investigation. As to the antiquated issue which some people are endeavoring to resuscitate, the Lewiston (Idaho) Tribune has this to say:

"As the national Democratic party has inserted an anti-polygamy plank in the platform, this issue in all proba-bility has been removed as a factor in billty has been removed as a factor in the faction fights of the party in idaho. Those back of the anti-Mormon fight in Idaho have repeatedly stated that they were not influenced by any personal motive; that the only object was to pur-fly home life, and now that the national Democracy has come to the rescue, the local fight has of course ended. This is one interpretation of the situation, but remember, Idaho politics have al-ways been to the originality."

The national Democratic plank on that defunct issue may have been necessary to insert to satisfy uninformed. people and act as a crumb of comfort the purpose of organizing a Russian for its chief promoter. But here in the West it is looked upon like "a chip in porridge," neither good nor harm, | cess, for in an effort to break the yoke, and only elleits a smile from either party. The idea that it is in the interest of "purity" and "the home" may be entertained in some eastern circles, but in the group of states in the neighborhood of the Rocky Mountains it is merely a matter of derision, particularly when the record of its originators is open to view.

We notice that the Idaho scheme is seen through in other States, and press comments show how it is regarded. The Pueblo Chieftain expresses public opinion concerning it in Colorado, Reproducing the Washington interview with Governor Morrison on the situation in Idaho, that paper says it gives an explanation of the activity of "the Populist-Democratic Senator," who is striving to act out a "political by-play" by the organization of an anti-"Mormon" party in his own interest. Without by the side of the male Communists, kendorsing all the Chieftain predicts. It is generally conceded that she has concerning the result, we are gratified lived a life of self-sacrifice for others, to know that the plot and the animus behind it is generally perceived by the wide-awake people and papers of the West.

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# WITH DUE HONORS.

The British authorities deserve commendation for the order issued to the South African officials to receive the remains of the late President Kruger with all marks of honor. It can make no difference to the late grand, old man, but it is an admission that the cause for which he stood up against the British empire with Spartan cournge and determination, was not wrong, though he lost it. It is an indication that Labouchere is not far from right. when he says that his countrymen are no longer proud of their African cam. palgn, because the British government is now doing in Africa the very thing the Boers were charged with doing, in the days of the republics. As Labouchere puts it:

be epoch-making in history. It is horrible to contemplate what war will be if destruction can be rained down from the sky, as well as belohed forth from the mouths of cannon on earth, and submarine monsters in the sea. News from the battlefield will then at times be sickening to read.

But there is this consolation, that the more rapidly war develops in the direction of the infernal, the sooner the reaction in favor of a peaceful settlement of all national disputes will occur. When engines of war are sent flying through the air, human blood-thirst will be appeased by the very horrors that must follow. God speed the day, when war will no longer be possible among civilized nations!

# FOR REVOLUTION IN RUSSIA

Louise Michel, the famous French anarchist who, some time ago, was reported dying in Faris, is again heard from. She seems to be in London for revolution. She thinks the Russians now have the greatest chance of sucthey would now have the sympathy of the world. To a reporter she said recently:

"I know that the authorities regard "I know that the authorities regard me with suspicion and that I am dogged everywhere. That is done at the request of the Russian government which pretends that I am plotting for the removal of the car, whereas my aim is the removal of the whole sys-tem. The time is not yet ripe, but our friends and sympathizers in Russia are confident that before this war is over their chance will come and there will be a great upheaval of the people against the degrading, stiffing tyranigainst the degrading, stifling tyran-

Louise Michel is one of the remarkable women of the age. At one time she was a successful school teacher and an ardent Catholic. Later she joined the ranks of anarchists, and during the Commune in Paris she fought and she is almost worshiped by the class of people among whom she has cast her lot. Some time ago she was reported dying of consumption, and as

she has attained the age of 74, she was not expected to live long. But now she is said to be in London, plotting a Russian revolution. A strange being is Louise Michel, the "red virgin,"

## HEDIN ON TIBET.

Sven Hedin, the celebrated Swedish traveler who has spent years in the interior of Asia, and especially in Tibet. comes out in the columns of the London News with a severe criticism of the British expedition to that land of mysteries. He says in part:

"The English campaign in Tibet is a fresh proof of the imperialist brutal-ity which seems to characterize the po-litical tendencies of our times, and in face of which the position of the small-er states appears precarious. A small state which does not possess the power to defend itself is doomed to decay, whether it is Christian or not. If our "We insisted that the Uitlanders priests taught the people the meaning

A New Jersey man claims to have invented a process whereby asbestos rock can be turned into a silken fibre. If this be so then the day when silk purses can be made out of sow's ears may not be far distant.

The Washington monument has been hit by lightning three times this sum-President Roosevelt, Senator mer. Fairbanks, Judge Parker and ex-Senator Davis have each been hit by it also, but only once; that's enough,

This editorial note appears in the current number of the Utah Ploneer: "Until the Pioneer editor was the means of reviving it, the game of pick-pocket was an almost forgotten pasime in Zion. It is now in full blast, however.'

We didn't think it of you, S. A. K. and we certainly hope you will reform.

### The Japanese have, it is said, one rule of conduct that ought to become universal. They call that rule "bushilo." It forbids them to talk about disease, troubles, distress, pain, grief, or other depressing conditions in the presence of friends and acquaintances. In the privacy of his own family the Jap may pour forth his grief or recite his aches and pains, his troubles and discouragements. But when he goes among his friends and acquaintances, no matter if his heart is rent with grief. his mind distracted with trouble, his body suffering with physical weakness; he must hide all this from sight and present only a smiling face and cheering words in the presence of others, This is "Bushido." Why not adopt it?

### THE SLOCUM INDICTMENTS. Chicago Record-Herald.

Seven men have been indicted by the federal grand jury in New York as the result of its investigation of the Slo-cum disaster. Three of them-the cap-tain of the Slocum and two government steamboat inspectors-are charged with manslaughter, and the remaining fourthe president, secretary, treasurer and commodore of the steamboat company -with "aiding and abetting the captain of the Slocum in the neglect of his duty.

## Cleveland Plain Dealer,

It is intimated that the owners may find a loophole in the wording of the federal statutes under which the in-dictments were found. This provides that any master, pilot or other employe on a steamship, or any owner, inspec-tor or other public officer whose negli-gence causes loss of life shall, on con-viction, suffer imprisonment for not to viction, suffer imprisonment for not to exceed 10 years. This would seem to hold against all but the owners who, according to the dispatches, were in-dicted for "aiding and abetting" the captain in his neglect of duty, con-cerning which the statute is silent.

## MRS. MAYBRICK. The Baltimore American.

The case is an excellent illustration of the tenacity of British judicial pro-ceedings. The most powerful influences were brought to bear, and even this government, through its official head, interceded for the American woman harming through a life sentence in languishing through a life sentence in a British prison. But not even the friendship between the two nations and the desire of the British government to

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