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CHURCH INFLUENCE.

No one need to fear undue influence by the "Mormon" Church upon the affairs of the state. Never have the Authorities of that Church made any attempt to encroach upon the domain of the state, or to unite the functions of one with the other. This positive declaration was made years ago in a manifesto signed by Presidents Wilford Woodruff, George Q. Cannon, and Joseph F. Smith, and it is true today, as it has ever been.

It is a fact that during the early history of Utah, the President of the Church held for eight years the position of governor. The first secretary of the Territory was an official in the Church. An Apostle represented the Territory in Congress. But even then there was no attempt made to mix the affairs of the State with those of the Church. The two were always separate. Never was there any desire to curtall individual liberty. And what was not done in the early days, in this regard, will not be attempted now.

While there is no dispute as to the correctness of the principle of separation between church and state; in the sense that each must have its own sphere of activity and its own functions, yet, it must be remembered that the two will always exercise some influence one upon the other. This is unavoidable, as long as both exist in the same world and occupy, to some extent, common ethical ground. It is impossible to crect a wall between the two, or establish a chasm that cannot be crossed. And even if they were separated by a Ginungagap, or gaping abyss, the two elements would meet, as the fire from Muspelheim and the ice from Niffheim, in the cosmogony of the ancient Norsemen. The very mission of the Church is to teach men the principles of truth and righteousness, and turn their hearts in unselfish love toward God and fellow-men, and wherever this is accomplished, the state is affected. Officers become honast Politics is no longer only the art of influencing public opinion, for selfish purposes. It is modified by moral principles. The American government itself is the result of the prevalence of principles taught by Jesus of Nazareth. Through religious influences maintained for ages, sometimes under bitter persecutions and at the sacrifice of lives on the altar of martyrdom, the human states have

they have been accustomed to Spanish methods so long that they are unable shape. to comprehend the American policy. Whenever a party of Cubans imagined they had a grievance, they flocked together, flourished the machete and defied the government. They knew of no constitutional means by which to gain their ends, and so they had recourse to the methods of savages. With this country interested in Cuban affairs, to the extent of guaranteeing the orderly conduct of the government, Cuban methods must be changed. The knife must be laid aside, and public discussion take the place of destruction of property. If the Cubans are slow to learn this, it may become necessary to occupy the island for a long time. Permanent annexation, however, can hardly be considered until a request for

entrance into the Union comes from the 'ubans themselves.

THAKSGIVING DAY.

"In accordance with the wise customs of our forefathers." Thursday, Nov. 29, has been proclaimed a day of thanksgiving and praise to the Almighty because of the blessings we have received, and of prayer that these blessings may be continued."

Americans, as a nation, have cause to observe the day with sincere gratitude. As President Roosevelt points out, never before, as far as recorded in history, has a people enjoyed more abounding material prosperity than is ours. But this prosperity should not arouse in us the spirit of reckless pride, but rather a sense of our responsibilities. We should acknowledge the mercy of Providence, and form resolutions to become still more worthy of the trust placed in us, as a nation, as the guardian of so much of the world's wealth and the wielder of the enormous power it gives. Prosperity alone may become a national curse, as wealth sometimes becomes a snare to individuals. Unless moral worth is coupled with material prosperity, the latter is no oundation for either personal or national greatness. Wealth can become a power for evil, as well as for good, and those who are entrusted with it need grace abundant in order to fulfill the obligations it in-

volves. The Thanksgiving proclamation of the President recommends services in the churches, or worship in the homes, as a feature of the day. Strange to say, this "wise custom of our ancestors" is being less observed, the more abundantly the gifts of Providence are being poured out upon us. Many people are working hard and unremittingly every day, and they do not care to spend part of the holiday in a church building. They enjoy the rest in the family circle. But they can make the holiday a day of thanksgiving, praise and prayer in their homes, and many of them, no doubt, do this. The sacrifice of thanksgiving is being offered up on many a family altar in the land. But there is another class, who love pleasure more than God, and it is to be feared that this class is becoming more numerous as the years advance. This type always miss the true meaning of holy days, and indeed desecrate every day in the week by their folly and self-Indulgence.

It is necessary, therefore, to hold up to their view the true significance of such days as Thanksgiving day, as well as Sundays. Unless this nation, "according to the wise custom of our ancestors" acknowledge the hand of Providence in all things, it has no claims

government departments shall be shipcorner in London: See to it that your Thanksgiving

dinner complies with the pure food law. Californians think Gertrude Ather-

ton is the greatest writer that ever lived.

The drummers who are organizing for Mr. Bryan are climbing into the band wagon early.

What kind of weather is it where a hard spell of winter comes before winter does? That is what Salt Lake has had.

Castellane should have been a life insurance president. His financial abilities are peculiarly fitted for such a position.

The identity of the blind millionaire who is to wed Calve hasn't been disclosed. After all the story may have been a blind for an ad.

Senator T. C. Platt dentes that he denied that he said he would not resign. This makes his position on the question as clear as a mud wall,

Secretary Shaw says that the Pitts. burg chamber of commerce has no weight. It wouldn't do for him to come to Salt Lake and talk that way.

We agree with Mr. Ell Folland that a man who is the father of twelve children has a right to a voice in the public schools, especially to children's volces.

Mayor Schmitz says that he will court the fullest inquiry when he reaches San Francisco. The courts seem to have been conducting a little inquiry of their own.

It is rather odd that the Chicago and Alton train robber did not ask for a reward for having been captured. It would have been quite in harmony with his negotiations for a confession,

Maxim Gorky, in his new book, refers to New York as "The City of the Yellow Demon." No one ever came to this country for whose opinion the people cared less than they do for Maxim Gorky's.

It would have been a fine commentary on freedom of speech in Chicago if Senator Tillman had not been permitted to speak on the negro question and give the extreme southern view of it. That view may not be broad, liberal or philosophical but it is an important one.

THE POOR GROWING RICHER.

Elizabeth Bisland. The conservatives, however-amid whom there is growing a wide, if still speechless, uneasiness-need not be too much alarmed. "The more things change the more they will remain the same thing" In spite of the mob of gentlemen who write with ease in the ten-cent magazines, the rich are not really growing richer and the poor poorer, as they are so fond of assert-The conservatives, however-amid really growing rener and the poor-poorer, as they are so fond of assert-ing. Not in America, at least, and it is doubtful if it be true elsewhere. An increase of \$94,000,000 in the deposits in the savings banks during the past year proves that the poor too are growing richer, for the number of the depositors increased by 40,000, and the deposits were almost without exception made by those who were able to set aside earnings above their daily necessities; and the scope of daily necessities has expanded almost as greatly in the la-borer's cottage as in the Newport cotwas overheard one day on a street

corner in London: "Can ye tell me, wumman, what is it they call a jubilee?" "Well, it's this," said her neighbor. "When folk has been married twenty-five years, that's a silver wuddin'; and when they have been married fifty years that's a golden wuddin'. But if the mon's dead, then it's a jubilee."

To be Sure.

Prospective Employer-Your parents left you something when they died, did they not? Boy-Oh, yes, sir, Employer-And what did they leave

you, my boy? Boy-An orphan, sir .- Comic Life.

Willing to Oblige.

She-You have broken your promise o me, and a broken promise cannot be mended. He-Oh, I can do better than that.

I'll make you a new one .- Philadelphia

His Case Exactly.

"I did think," said Peckham, "that after I was married I might have my own way once in a while." "Oh!" replied Meckly, "you poor, mis-guided man!" "Not me. I'm a Mrs.-guided man." --Philadelphia Press.

Isn't it the Truth?

"The eagle," remarked the thoughtful thinker, "Is a noble bird." "Yes," rejoined the groceryman, "but the old hen contributes more to the comfort of the human race."--Chicago Daily News.

Exception to the Rule.

"The horse," remarked the moralizer, "is man's best friend." "Oh, I don't know," rejoined the de-moralizer. "Did you ever bet on a horse that 'also ran'?"-Chicago Daily News.

In the Typewriter Shop. Polite Salesman-We have here our, ew model Number Twenty-three. You

will notice it is equipped with the most approved billing device, and"-Fair Stenographer-Have you any odel that also has a cooing device?-

"I suppose," said the friend, the day after the wedding, "it was rather

hard to lose your daughter." "Well, no." replied the bride's fath-er. "It did seem as if it was going to be hard at one time, but she landed this fellow just as we were beginning to lose all hope."-Baltimore Ameri-

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been formed and molded, until they have become what they are today, recognizing human claims to liberty. equality and brotherhood. Had the Apostle Paul refrained from attacking slavery, that institution would probably still have been a part of every social structure. It is the very mission of the Church to influence men to do what is right in all things, and this is a kind of church influence that must be kept up, lest the principles of evil in all its manifestations become predominant in the affairs of the state.

Mr. Romolo Murri, an Italian who believes in the separation of church and state, takes this same view. According to an extract from an article translated for the Literary Digest, he Bays;

"Any one, however, who concludes from what we have said above that we maintain the separation of church and state sic et simpliciter, in an ab-solute and essential manner, is quite solute and essential manner, is quilt mistaken. We think separation a good and useful thing so far as it im-plies the abolition of certain definite and historic relations which are no longer suitable or advantageous to either party. But separation, in the full sense of the term, as implying an utter absence of connection between the two societies, we regard as it con-tradiction in terms. In order to ob-tain such a separation if would be nec-essary to cut the conscience of every human individual in two, one-half to be the director of religious activity, the numan individual in two, one-half to be the director of religious activity, the other half of all the remaining sphere of life. The church and the state, by this unity of the human conscience, are made one in their pursuit of the very highest ends. Historically they have been allies or rivals in the work of education, moral and intellectual. In the field of education, to use that word in its widest significance as including the exercise of a lofty influence on the the exercise of a lofty influence on the social efficiency of all the legislative and judicial institutions of the hand, the church and state will always be brought in contact with each other brought in contact with each other and unless they come to a conflict they must come to an understanding. Such an understanding will be the sole guar-unity of such an activity as will alone enable them to see and define the mutual relations of their national ex-titutions." fstence.

This is the only rational position. And as long as that is maintained by the leaders of both state and church there can be no danger of undue interference by one institution in the affairs of the other, although it will be found impossible to cut all connection between them, as if one were located on earth and the other on Neptune.

CUBAN ANNEXATION.

The Louisville Herald expresses the opinion that we must acquire Cuba. This view is founded upon the fact that the so-called Liberals are strongly anti-American, and that if they are left in control of the affairs of the Island, plunder and riots would ensue. The Moderates, on the other hand, are supposed to be unable to keep order and maintain the law. "Get what you can and get it anyway you can," is said to he the Cuban principle. Self-governthe Cuban principle. Self-govern-ment is for such a people something iangerous. The trouble with the Cubans is that ment is for such a people something dangerous.

on a continuation of the blessings that have been showered upon us, ever since the landing of the Pilgrims.

POSSIBILITIES OF SUNFLOWERS.

A triend of the "News," Mr. F. D. Rees, Jr., writes from Zurich, Switzerland, expressing his appreciation of the educational articles on the sunnower and other so-called weeds. He refers to the fact that the sunflower furnishes food for many animals. When the summer day with the blossoms and insects are gone, he says, the dry, hard stalk with its chaffy head, looks uninviting, but it is then when the busiest life in the sunflower thicket begins. The little bush folk come from all directions to do the harvesting; the bluejay from the mountains, the blackbird from the rush swamps, the sagehen from the sage flats, and even the squirrel and chipmonk, take part in the prosperous days of the sunflower seed gathering. The fact that the sunflower seed is utilized to sustain animal life suggests the question whether man could not also find wholesome nourishment in that seed. Mr. Rees says:

"I remember when the Indians gath-ered them and by some process made a palatable and nourishing mush from them.

"A few years ago, while digging in the ruins of a prehistoric city, in Cen-tral Utab. I excavated an old earthen jar, out of one of the rooms of a house. The jar was filled with seeds, and on examination they proved to be Indian corn and sunflower seeds. From this I came to the conclusion that the inhabitants of this forgotten city used

for food the sunflower seeds. "Is it not possible, if understood, this wonderful weed would add another American product to the world's list of foods? Some may say why the of foods? Some may say, why the sunflower is only an obnoxious weed. So were the seeds and vegetable plants we now use, before they were cultivated.

Last summer, while in the high Alps "Last summer, while in the high Alps. I saw the children gathering the yellow dandellon blossoms, by the bucket full. The mystery was cleared up, when I was served dandellon compote for din-ner. So the weed of today may be the food produce in the future."

It is not probable that anyone will experiment with sunflower seed as long as food is plentiful. In times of need the ingenuity of man is exercised to find new resources in nature's extensive storehouse.

Tomorrow be thankful that you are. Fine feathers make a "bird" of a Caruso is advised to "sing low" for while.

What says the husband of Mrs. Parsons to trial marriages?

hat.

Trial marriages are for the benefit of those who find marriage a trial,

Those who favor a partisan Board

tage of the millionaire. In proof of this, ask of the purveyors of luxuries what class form the bulk of their customers: to whom do they sell their pianos, their sewing machines, their domestic labor saving devices, their singing machines, their toys, their fallals of personal adornment.

IS GERMANY SPYING ON US?

Providence Journal.

This is certainly an interesting story that comes from Newport of a German spy enlisted in the American military spy emisted in the American military service and engaged in the task of stu-dying the Rhode Island fortifications for the benefit of the kaiser's govern-ment. Private Liesendahl, it seems, ment. Frivate Liesendahl, it seems, was a very popular young fellow until he disappeared a few days ago, and so proficient in draughting that he was employed in cierical work in the offices at Fort Adams. Now it is suspected that he did some draughting on his own account, and that in due season the authorities at Berlin may have in their possession a pretty accounts of their possession a pretty accurate plan of some of the Narragansett bay defences some of the Narragansett bay defences. There is nothing intrinsically improb-able in the taile. Every army is open to the danger of harboring sples, as Russia's was for years before the out-break of the Japanese war, when the mikado's fearless subjects disguised themselves as Chinese and gained admission to the Slavic camps. It would not make for the improvement of our relations with Germany, however, to have this Newport story confirmed.

THE CASTELLANE DIVORCE.

Cleveland Plain Dealer. Though the chapter written yesterday in Paris may not prove the last in the Castellane case, enough has been said and written on the subject to point the too obvious moral; though, unhappily, it is not likely that enough has been A us not nearly then to save "eligible" American girls from the mistake, founded in romantic fancy or sordid ambition, from the consequences of which Anna Gould is not even now entirely relieved,

SNOW IN SAHARA.

Bulletin American Geographical Society Bulletin American Geographical Society Last winter was very severe in Sa-hara. The courier service was inter-rupted for many days after Feb 8 on account of bad weather. Snow fell on Feb. 10 to the south and southwest of Wargla and on February 5 it snowed at El Golea from 6 a. m. to 8 p. m. and on the sixth all day with few interrup-tions. The depth of the snowfall was four or five centimeters (nearly two inches.) The northern limit of this snowstorm was El Khoua, and it ex-tended through the region occupied by Fort MacMahon to the Gurara group of Fort MacMahon to the Gurara group of oases, its southern limit being near Uakda. On the morning of February 6 the region around Timmimun was covered with three to four centimeters The oldest inhabitants of El Golea say they never knew snow to fall there before.

Aquatic.

Flubdub-Why didn't you take one of the fast boats over?-Exchange.

Concerning Jubilees.

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