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## THE GONZALES TRAGEDY.

Mr. Gonzales, the Columbia, S. C., editor who was shot by Lieutenant-Governor Tillman is dead, and his slayer will be tried for murder, provided the mob will permit justice to take its course.

The trouble between the two men commenced when Tillman refused to present, on behalf of citizens, one of Roosevelt's rough riders with a sword. And this refusal he justified by the fact that the President withdrew his invitation to him to attend a state function owing to his disgraceful scrap with Senator McLaughlin.

The matter might properly have ended there, and some one else might have been found to present the sword, but Editor Gonzales evidently saw a chance of stirring up interest in his publication, and so he took the case up and bitterly denounced Tillman. He did not spare epithets. He used "debauched" and "blackguard," and similar choice specimens of gutter literature freely. Finally the hot blood of the South Carolina senator could no longer be contained in its usual channels. It boiled over. The two met, and Tillman fired the fatal shot.

The slayer of Gonzales should be dealt with according to the demands of law and justice. There should be no need for the brothers of the victim to take up the quarrel and excite the mob to further lawlessness. The law and the courts should be sufficient. At the same time, some allowance should be made for the abuse of the liberty of the press. If a man, face to face, abuses another with vile epithets, the victim is commonly excused, if in the heat of wrath he severely chastises the antagonist. The age of the duel, when cowards were held in awe by the keen sword, or the unerring bullet of their intended victim, is gone, but the sentiment still prevails that personal revenge for personal insults is, if not justifiable, to some extent excusable. And the same holds good, if the abuse is offered in print. Gonzales had no right to abuse his opponent. If he could not beat him by fair means, he had no right to employ foul. This much must be said against the victim of Tillman's wrath, but Tillman was not, for all that, justified in taking the law into his own hands. The affair shows that it is by no means safe in this country to go beyond the limits of decency in the abuse of the prerogatives of the press. It is often done, and sometimes with tragic effects.

## FOR WOMEN WHO WORK.

In Belgium, as in some other European countries, women are forced to make a living by various kinds of manual labor. It is therefore an excellent policy of providing free training that enables thousands of them to work to the best advantage.

In Belgium particularly is this the case. Schools of agriculture are being established, where young women can receive training in the various duties devolving upon a farmer's wife, and the government is offering inducements to secure attendance at such schools. Scholarships are given. The course of study is from two to three years, and in connection with these practical establishments there is a number of analytical laboratories. At these, for a small fee, an analysis can be made of milk, wool, earth and various food products, such as corn and cheese.

Dairy schools are also being started for the training of girls. They give free tuition to any girl over fifteen, strong enough for dairy work. Two conditions only are imposed—the first that the girl entering the dairy school has had an ordinary elementary education, and the second that she promises in writing to attend the classes regularly. Since the inauguration of this system of practical dairy keeping 2,000 girls have been trained.

For the encouragement of farming, the government is further offering many advantages. The tillers of the soil are given free advice, of men of science on almost any subject. An application to the university of agriculture secures them the benefit of the best experience of those men who, on scientific principles, make all departments of agriculture a special study. They can, for example, learn just the kind of fertilizer required for a certain district, the sort of vegetables or grain to raise in another, and so on.

Europe is used to "paternalism" in government, and when it is applied in this manner, there can be no objection to it. It is of benefit to the individual citizen, and through the citizens, to the state. In this country, the people could not, perhaps, take kindly to schools in which girls were to study farming, and dairy business, with a view to making a living by manual labor, but it cannot be disputed that a theoretical knowledge of such, and other kinds of productive labor would be of more value to the American housewife than some of the studies, over which many of them now waste time in schools.

## THE CASE OF HON. REED SMOOT

This is how much discussed case of the senatorial situation in Utah looks to the Chicago Record-Herald:

"The election of Reed Smoot as United States senator from Utah will present a very different problem from the one involved in the Roberts case. Roberts was a polygamist, and was prevented from taking his seat in the House on the ground that he was a lawbreaker. Smoot, it is said, is not a polygamist. The record shows merely that he is a Mormon and an Apostle of the Mormon Church. If this is the limit of the proof against him it is clear that the task of preventing him from taking his seat or of unseating him would encounter obstacles much more serious than any that Roberts could devise. For the question raised would be whether a Mormon is barred by his religion instead of by social practices that are contrary to the laws and customs of the country."

The Kansas City World takes this broad, rational and calm view of the matter:

"The good women of the National W. C. T. U. have entered a fight against Smoot of Utah. Anybody may scratch the face of a pig or pull the hair of a dog. The temperance women have sent a message to the Utah Legislature, expressing their disapproval of Smoot on two grounds: First, he belongs to the Mormon Church, and second, because he does belong to the Church and is under its influence. In other words, the good women object to him doubly for the simple reason that he is a Mormon. Of course, the constitution of the United States says there shall be no discrimination against a man because of his religious belief, but who cares anything, any more, about the Constitution of the United States? A set of principles that can be annulled in one part of the country's possessions can be annulled in another—can't it? But in making the plea that Smoot should not go to the senate because he is under the control of the Church the women are establishing a precarious precedent. This argument may rise up to haunt them some time when they seek, in the future, as they have done in the past, to secure the election of some other man under the control of some other church. And, by the way, if you are not fully informed about the Mormon Church, creed and work, you are not qualified to condemn it. All churches look pretty much alike in the great common sense of the American people, and a blow of this sort at one church is in effect a blow at them all. Besides, if we are to exclude from the senate all who are under control of some organized influence or other, that august body would be left without a quorum."

"The influences that control most senators are far more dangerous than that of any church can even be imagined to be. It is not a mere demagogic cry to say that trusts, combines and corporations control a sure majority of the senate. Look behind almost any senator who is permitted to become a prominent figure in Congress, and you will find a corporation or two standing back of him and controlling him. It would not be polite to mention names that would be coming too near home. Nor is it necessary. The fact is known to all who are interested in public affairs. To these vital facts the good women are blind. But they can see when a man is under the influence of a church, and since it is not their church, they think it too utterly awful for anything. The common sense of the people of the United States and of the Legislature of Utah is not apt to be greatly influenced by this distinctly feminine protest. Church rows and rivalries are rather too common to disturb the general serenity. The sane longing of the public is that there might be less senators under corporate control and more under control of churches or other moral influences."

## THE NEW ARCHBISHOP.

The Rev. Dr. Randall Thomas Davidson, who has been bishop of Winchester since 1895, has been appointed archbishop of Canterbury, to succeed Dr. Temple. Dr. Davidson has for four years been intimately connected with the court, having been the friend of the late Queen, and his promotion was therefore looked for. He was formerly bishop of Rochester, and held from 1885 to 1895, while dean of Windsor, the resident queen's chaplaincy and the regisanship of the order of the garter. He was also clerk of the closet in the royal household. He was born in 1848, was educated at Harrow and at Trinity college, Oxford. He was five years chaplain and private secretary to Archbishop Tait, whose daughter he married in 1878. He has written many occasional essays upon topics of ecclesiastical history, and in 1878 and 1880 took an active part in arranging the Anglican church conferences at Lambeth.

In the opinion of the London correspondent of the New York Times, Dr. Davidson's appointment to the archbishopric meets with general approval. He is said to be a man of infinite tact, discretion, and courtesy, and moderate in his ecclesiastical views.

## ON A BED OF ROSES.

A London paper claims that the rose will cure headache. Its perfume, it has been discovered, acts as a medicine upon the nerves, while its color soothes the senses through the eyes. Here is the prescription:

"The rose curial asserts that if the scent is inhaled directly from the very heart of the flower it is more beneficial to the patient than though it were inhaled at long distance, through an essence or an extract. There are different ways of administering the rose medicine. The patient can make a pillow of roses; on this she should lay her head, taking care that half a dozen of the blossoms are so arranged that they point toward the face. In this attitude her nose and mouth are buried in their sweetness. The idea is to get sleep on a bed of roses. When you wake up your headache will be cured. The best rose is the garden rose, as it retains its red-rose scent without having lost anything by being cultivated."

That treatment appears sweet enough to make one look for a sick headache with some degree of pleasure.

## A MYSTERY OF THE SEA.

In the dispatches concerning the Sweden in the northern parts of Sweden, it is stated that not only was the crop short on land, but another source of food, the fish, had also dried up, as it were. This condition is not peculiar to the Swedish shores. Similar reports come from France. It is one of the mysteries of the great deep, that schools of fish for long periods visit certain coasts, and then stay away, as by common agreement. When this happens, fishermen and their families, as a rule, are facing famine. The following account of the appearance and non-appearance of fish is interesting:

"On the coast of Brittany the sardine is usually found for nine months in the year. The fishing season opens

about the beginning of February and continues until the first or second week in December. In 1899 and 1900 a great storm drove the schools to sea in the beginning of November. While the annual migration of the sardine can be generally relied upon, its almost total disappearance is not a new experience in the fisheries of Brittany. So few sardines visited the coast in 1897 and for three years after that the industry was nearly ruined. In 1891 the fish returned, however, in their accustomed numbers and until the past year their visitations have been quite regular and the business has prospered immensely.

"The assemblage and non-appearance of migratory food fishes from their familiar haunts is not uncommon, although the cause of it is one of the mysteries of the sea. The mackerel schools which are due off the English coast every summer sometimes fail to put in an appearance when due. The great herring schools which visit the shores of Norway annually, and which are a source of large revenue to the Norwegian fishermen and constitute one of the food staples of the people of that country, mysteriously ceased to return for several successive years. They subsequently reappeared, however, in undiminished numbers."

Coal is still having a high old price time.

The smoke nuisance we have always with us.

This is precisely the kind of weather that makes the fox hunt his hole.

It is a good time to cut ice both in the legislature and elsewhere.

Only a little more snow and the merry sleigh bells will be heard in the city.

Many policies are discussed and advocated, but honesty still remains the best.

Probably the Blackfoot Indians who called at the White House left their mark.

Colombia's chief ambition in life appears to be to play the dog in the Panama canal route.

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When legislators get down to work it is understood that it is the eight-hour schedule that is enforced.

Down in Ohio the people have been seeing rainbows in the center of the heavens and in a perfectly cloudless sky.

Colorado has the greatest legislative show of the year. In that state nothing better has ever been offered the public.

China hasn't yet replied to the last ultimatum of the powers. Probably she is of opinion that haste makes waste.

Six months hence no one will care what the price of coal is and every one will declare that the price of ice is outrageous. And they will doubtless say the truth.

It is just possible that Judge Taft is to remain in the Philippines to see that Jacob Gould Schurman does not haul down the flag.

Minister Bowen has arrived from Venezuela. In his inside coat pocket he carries the destiny of the little republic. May it be happier than its past history would indicate.

Those indictments against Chicago coal conspirators seem to have been found for "moral effect" and not with the intention of prosecuting them. If so, it is in very bad taste.

A Philadelphia woman is said to have given \$1,000 to a streetcar conductor who was polite to her. The transportation companies can of course not afford to pay that much for one day's politeness, but they pay something for it.

Report has it that J. Pierpont Morgan refused to respond to a summons to appear in court until he had been paid his witness fee of one-fifty. The wonder is he appeared at all. Kings are not subject to the laws of their country, and an hour of Mr. Morgan's time is worth a good deal more than \$1.50.

Baron Speck von Sternburg, who will succeed Von Holleben at Washington, as Germany's representative, is said to be a man of many achievements. He was born in England, his mother being English and his father an Anglicized German; he was educated in France, Italy, Greece and other continental countries. He should succeed in becoming "popular" if that is the object of his mission.

The supreme court of the United States has just rendered a decision that declares South Dakota divorce laws invalid. That is a righteous decision. This going to a state and residing there six months to gain a "legal residence" for the purpose of taking advantage of its divorce laws, it a fraud on the face. Presumably the South Dakota divorce mills will continue to grind but their product will be more or less regarded as impure.

Barrett Hall should be packed tonight to hear the debate between the University of Utah and the University of Idaho. The question—Resolved, That United States Senators should be Elected by Popular Vote—is an interesting one. These debates have become an institution throughout the country and tend to produce a generous and stimulating rivalry between the institutions indulging in them. They also beget acquaintance among students and lead to friendships among them. They are in every respect to be encouraged.

## ABOLISHING COAL DUTIES.

Milwaukee Wisconsin.  
The ways and means committee of the house yesterday reported a bill which will suspend all the duties on imported coal for one year. It is in the form of a rebate of 67 cents a ton, which is the present import. It is considered best to report it in this form, as that will obviate the delay in the house of a possible discussion on the tariff question generally. The people demand immediate relief, and that will be granted through the rebate of 67 cents a ton until February 1, 1904.

## Portland Oregonian.

There will be no haggling over the bill to remove the duty of 67 cents a ton on imported coal. Under the existing statutes there can be none. It miners through their contention and operators through their greed have over-reached themselves in causing a restricted coal supply, they will have to stand the consequences. A mighty host, chilled to

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