

The announcement that President Brigham Young, of the Council of the Twelve Apostles, had passed away, caused a feeling of deep sorrow in the hearts of many thousands of people when the sad news was circulated on Sunday. Particulars of his life and sickness and death are given in another part of this issue of the Deseret News.

Our departed friend and brother was well known and esteemed throughout these mountain valleys, and among many people in different parts of the earth. He has traveled extensively and ministered in many nations. He has visited every State of Zion from Canada to Mexico, and also the different States of the Union and, repeatedly, the British Isles and the countries of continental Europe.

His cheerful disposition, his kindly counsel, his unflinching faith, his fervent spirit, his faithful testimony and his unwavering integrity and devotion to the work in which he followed his illustrious father, who also closely followed the Prophet Joseph Smith, endeared him to his associates in the ministry and to the Latter-day Saints throughout the world.

Of intrepid character he knew no fear. Of exceptionally strong physique, in his younger days, he felt no fatigue. Of inspirational mind he reached the truth more by intuition than by the slow process of logical deduction, and he grasped the nature of a question or a situation with a quickness and a tenacity, that sprang from divine impressions to a soul keyed to their reception.

His illness for many months prepared his friends for his decease, so that the shock did not come with that violence that a sudden demise causes to the public mind. Yet a sentiment of sorrow prevails that he has gone from among us, and that we shall see his cheerful face and hear his pleasant voice no more in this life. He desired to live that he might labor for Zion. Not many days ago he expressed to this writer a wish that he might spend ten or fifteen years more in this world, for he saw so many opportunities of doing good. But he bowed to the divine will, and he is called to minister on the other side of the veil.

With his numerous family and immediate friends we deeply sympathize in this hour of their affliction. Those who waited upon him so patiently and kindly during his final illness deserve the warmest praise, for they were untiring in their attention to his wants and watched over him with assiduous solicitude. All Israel will mourn his departure and remember him with honor and affection. He will be greeted where he has gone with joy, and will continue his life's work in the companionship of the immortals, who lived and died in the great cause of human redemption.

#### WITHOUT HONOR OR SHAME.

Of course, after making a false and foul attack on the authorities of the "Mormon" Church, the Salt Lake Tribune, notwithstanding the exposure of its wrong assertions and irrational deductions, refuses to correct its errors, and repeats its misstatements for the purpose of deceiving the public and furthering its own transparent designs.

The story it published about a number of young attorneys being selected, to be sent to Arizona for political purposes, was and is entirely devoid of foundation in fact. It was founded on fiction. But it persists in avowing that the nonsense it uttered came from George H. Crosby, Jr., on his receiving a "call" and being "set apart" by the Church authorities "to go to Arizona to practice law," as "the only 'Mormon' attorney in the territory." If the "young lawyer" told a Tribune reporter anything to that effect, he uttered a shameful falsehood. The evidence, however, goes to show that what he did say has been colored and amplified and commented upon in the usual style of that paper.

We repeat, on the authority of the First Presidency of the Church that neither George H. Crosby, Jr., nor any other "young attorney" has been called, appointed, set apart, selected or advised, to move from Utah to Arizona for any such purpose as that outlined in the Tribune. Crosby called on the Presidency concerning a matter of regular business, and incidentally mentioned his partly formed intention to return to Arizona, and asked their advice upon it, but was simply told to do as he pleased. They had no counsel to give on the matter and gave none.

The theory connected by the Tribune about the "policy of the Church" in selecting a number of young lawyers to go to Arizona, with a view to controlling political affairs in the coming State, is without the slightest foundation in truth, and is but one more sample of the mendacity and vindictiveness of a paper that has no scruple and no shame, when it takes occasion to misrepresent the "Mormon" Church and its aims and purposes. It is without honor as it is without repentance.

#### ACROSS THE PACIFIC.

The current number of the American Inventor contains an interesting article on a project to establish wireless telegraphic communication across the Pacific. The system to be used is that which has been invented by Dr. De Forest. Plans and specifications for four stations are said to be complete, and it is hoped that the work of construction will be well advanced by next spring.

The American terminal of this line will be located near the southern end of the peninsula of Lower California. Other stations will be built at Hawaii, Manila, and Hongkong. The towers at the American station will be similar in construction to those at Manila, and each will have a height of 210 feet and energy will be furnished by steam engines and a battery of boilers for steam generation. At each of the four stations the electric waves radiated will have a wave-length of one and one-half miles. This relatively excessive length has been selected after careful calculation and experiment as the best adapted for long distance transmission. The estimated cost of the four stations is \$182,000. Of this sum \$25,000 has been allowed for the terminal at Hongkong, \$50,000 for each of the stations at Hawaii and Manila, and \$45,000 for the California plant.

#### A FINAL SETTLEMENT AT HAND

The dispute over the alleged confirmation of George A. Sheets as Chief of Police is likely to be settled speedily, in the only manner by which it can be finally disposed of. This ought to be pleasing to the advocates of either side of the controversy. It is noticeable that the City Attorney has the case on the part of Sheets and the minority of the City Council, and is associated therein with C. F. and F. C. Loughborough.

Attorney-General Breiden brings the suit by quo warranto, and will, without doubt, place the matter fairly and ably before the court. But it has been reported that a decided opinion came from his office, to the effect that the confirmation of Chief Sheets was legally made. This has appeared twice in a morning paper. We are informed, however, that the Attorney General made no such announcement personally, and does not hold himself responsible for it.

The report caused much comment, but any exceptions taken should be set at rest, when it is learned that he has suggested to the President of the Council his willingness to have associated with him in the case, such special counsel as the City Council may select. Seeing that the City Attorney will have the assistance of able lawyers on one side, it will be only fair to the other side that it should have equal opportunities to be heard on every point involved.

Apart from the question of the Chief's confirmation, a very important question has to be placed beyond further contention, namely the powers vested by law in a mere majority of a quorum when it constitutes but a minority of the City Council. Let the dispute be settled for good and all. The whole council should certainly agree to work to that desirable end.

#### A NEW GOLD FIELD.

According to a recent number of the Daily Morning Alaskan, a publication that appears at Skagway, a new Eldorado has been discovered at Tanana, which seems to out-Klondike the promised land of that name. The stream of gold-seekers is said to have been turned that way, and fabulous wealth is being encountered. And the reports do not all come from sanguine prospectors. Charles Eitelbert Claypool, United States commissioner and ex-officio recorder and probate judge at Circle, is reported to have written as follows:

"The reports of the new strike we have every reason to believe are authentic and can be depended upon. During three years here it has never been my habit to make false reports of new discoveries. In this instance I have every reason to believe that a great new camp has been discovered. This is the recording office for the new Fairbanks mining district, as it is called, and more than six hundred claims have been recorded with me up to date. The reports agree and from men whom I know have no interests in common. The creeks upon which claims have been recorded number about fifty-three, and the entire large section of country seems to bear good pay."

Spring is coming, and our friends in Alaska are naturally anxious to attract more business. And nothing is likely to attract a crowd as fast as reports of finds of gold. There is no need of excitement, though.

#### STILL LOOKING EASTWARD.

A few days ago a report from Macedonia, said that the revolutionary committee had decided to proclaim a general insurrection, between April 25 and 28. By that time the committee expected to be able to put 100,000 men into the field, armed with rifles and dynamite bombs.

But such reports do not seem to cause much uneasiness in Turkey, at present. The Sultan has accepted in good faith the assurances of the powers, that he will be permitted to carry off the reforms promised, without interference. And he does not fear 100,000 rebels. Against those he can place at once 200,000 fighters, well armed and unscrupulous. Turkey, left alone, can quell any disturbance among the conquered races. The present outlook, therefore, is for a sanguinary campaign, the details of which will be suppressed as much as possible so as not to shock the popular sentiment in Europe.

The problem of the Balkans would not be a very intricate one, provided the leaders of the politics of Europe were free to do that which is right in the matter. But they are not, or they think they are not, and so the trouble continues. The situation is somewhat like this: The "Christian" subjects are threatened with extirpation, and their only salvation is social and political reforms. But these reforms Turkey cannot carry out, without arousing the spirit of rebellion among her Mohammedan subjects. And the "Christian" powers, that demand reforms to satisfy popular clamor, find themselves unable to coerce Turkey, on account of

the distrust and jealousy with which they are regarding one another. That is the Balkan problem. The insurgents perhaps still hope for European interference. But it does not appear as if this hope were to be realized.

Some of the most atrocious outrages have been committed in the disturbed districts by the army of pacification. Reliable witnesses say that churches have been desecrated, priests tortured, and the population subjected to the grossest indignities. Thousands have been compelled to leave their homes, and of these many perished in the mountains. The Russian vice-consul at Philippopolis went into Macedonia in order to investigate the reports of some fugitives. He found a large belt of territory, where desolation had reigned. The villages were burned, the churches defiled, and the inhabitants gone. In his report to his government he declared that he saw women who had run away, to save their honor and their lives, huddled together in their mountain fastnesses, where the snow was several feet deep; and they were almost without clothing. He saw children with marks of torture upon them, and he gave a full report of what came under his observation.

It does not look as if the cloud over the Balkans had been dispersed yet, although the most strenuous efforts have been made to preserve the peace. All Europe is still anxiously watching the developments.

#### IN THE PHILIPPINES.

According to the Manila Times, the situation in the Philippines is not particularly promising. The inhabitants in Manila are very largely discontented. They are suppressed, but they are only waiting for an opportunity of breaking out. The people still go wild when Aguinaldo's march is played, but are indifferent when they hear "The Star Spangled Banner."

In view of the prevailing temper, the Manila Times thinks that it is necessary to be careful. It is just a question, that paper thinks, "whether our government, busied with its benevolence and lulled into security in the balmy atmosphere of Filipino officialdom, is in a position rightly to divine the real temper of the multitude; and we believe that as a rule it would be the last to discern any of those symptoms which across in the ordinary individual a vague feeling of disquiet and apprehension."

The paper very much doubts whether the majority of the Filipinos comprehend, or appreciate, the kindly attitude of the Americans toward them. Probably they do not. Like most orientals, that have been reared for generations under oppression and slavery, they appear to be children in many respects. They are guided by emotions rather than reason, and in a time of stress, even though their reason might counsel restraint and adherence to the conditions that be, they would be apt to be carried away by passion. But that is no reason why this country should cast them adrift. What the Filipinos need is proper training. And that they are receiving. The results may not be all that the most sanguine may have expected, but they have been marked enough to warrant hope for the not distant future.

President Roosevelt, in his address at Fargo, N. D., summarized the conditions in the islands as follows:

"At the present time the civil government is supreme, and the army in the Philippines has been reduced until it is sufficient merely to provide against the recurrence of trouble. In Governor Taft and his associates we sent to the Philippines as a group of administrators as ever any country has been blessed with having. With them and under them we have associated the best men among the Filipinos, so that the great majority of the officials, including many of the highest rank, are themselves natives of the islands. The administration is incorruptibly honest; justice is as jealously safeguarded as here at home. The government is conducted purely in the interests of the people of the islands; they are protected in their religious and civil rights; they have been given an excellent and well administered school system, and each of them now enjoys rights to 'life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness,' such as were never before known in all the history of the islands."

This is no mere oratorical representation. It is a statement of facts. Everything is favorable to a continuous development along the lines laid down by the administrators of the government.

The angle worms are beginning to turn.

The announcement of another frost is cold comfort for farmers and shepherds.

The coffee market is badly demoralized. A few eggs might sell it.

Spring fever is often followed by rheumatism if spring clothes are donned too soon.

King Alexander, like the Hon. Tim Campbell, doesn't believe in letting the constitution stand between friends.

A Baltimore chauffeur has been fined for profanity. What else can be expected of a man who makes a companion of a "red devil?"

When Chief Engineer Hood denies that there have been any accidents at the Lucin cut-off he simply tries to Hood-wink the people.

The National Association of Colored Women is going to take up the race question. This is the platform on which their candidates for office will run.

A German paper talks about American "shirt sleeve diplomacy." Made in Germany and brought over by Carl Schurz.

The Pennell inquest has been held and the learned judge comes to the conclusion that he met his death in the Gehls stone quarry. But the Buffalo police just laugh and look wise.

There is some danger that Chicago will lose her famous Thomas orchestra. It is much to be hoped that she will not. Chicagoans should go to the rescue. In its way the orchestra is as much of an educational institution as the famous University of Chicago.

Professor Oscar Lovell Triggs, of Chicago University, is considering the offer of a place with a theatrical company for the summer. It must be some-

thing in the comic line as he is the gentleman who placed Mr. Rockefeller along side of, but a little higher up, William W. Shakespeare.

Some weeks ago Admiral Dewey was reported to have said that American naval marksmanship had deteriorated since the Spanish war. But it has not. The other day the gunners of the Indiana hit a target, five miles distant, fourteen times out of sixteen shots with a 12-inch gun. Not much deterioration about that, surely.

Kaiser Wilhelm has been severely criticizing the Berlin architects for their work on the Prussian herrenhaus, declaring that the building was a disgrace to public architecture and that the front door was like the entrance to a tomb. Evidently his architects' architecture as well of their fortunes.

"The same men who own and control Northern Securities own and control Northern Pacific, Chicago, Burlington & Quincy and Great Northern. What's the difference? The Northern Securities company simply made it easier for these men to run the road," says Mr. Daniel Lamont, capitalist and ex-secretary of war. If there was no difference why the merger? Time and patience will show him what the difference is.

#### THE CHALLENGER.

Topeka Daily Herald. The trial trip of the new Shamrock prove it a much faster boat than its predecessor. Good: America will be about as happy to see Sir Tom with this time as to see the American boat come in first. This matter of straight victories is getting monotonous and the genial Irishman deserves success for his persistence, anyway.

San Francisco Chronicle. The new challenger is unquestionably a vastly superior boat to either of the other two Shamrocks. On all points of speed, she has displayed not only far better speed, but much more weatherly qualities, also. In all past American cup races the defending boat has pointed closer to the wind than the challenger in windward work, and, running free before the wind, with spinnaker and balloon jib set, has invariably succeeded in overcoming what was lost, when a loss happened, in the thrust to the windward stake boat. This was particularly noticeable in the last race of the series of two years ago, when the Columbia, in the thrash to windward, seemed to be hopelessly beaten, recovered lost ground on the homeward run before the wind and saved the day and the trophy.

New York Times. It seems to be clear that both in a light air and in a fresh breeze Shamrock III is superior to Shamrock I on every point of sailing. When New York yachtsmen read that she has beaten the old boat half a mile in seven miles on a reach, the old boat's best point, they will understand that their work as cup defenders is cut out for them, and that this time there is something to beat. Two heads are shown to be better than one, even in yacht designing, and Messrs. Pile and Watson have produced a faster boat together than either had been able to produce by himself.

Worcester Spy. Reports thus far as to the behavior of Shamrock III are of the sort that give pleasure here and quicken interest in the coming contest. There is no real yachtsman who does not hope to see Sir Thomas Lipton bring a better boat to this country than he has brought hitherto, not that the American yacht may be beaten but that the glory of victory may be greater.

Boston Transcript. These bright reports of the excellence of Shamrock III promise great races for the summer. The better the English boat is, the better shall we feel. Sir Thomas has returned to England so often with a smiling face, after expiating close defeats that even if the Shamrock should this summer carry back the cup, all generous souls will be pleased to see such grit and good nature rewarded. So there is perhaps no association between Americans and Englishmen in which friendship and good wishes are so spontaneous as in these races of national importance of Sirly Hook, so long as Lipton's impings may last.

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