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WORTH A COOL BILLION.

The conclusion of an unusually dry April is marked by extreme rains of great soaking power and covering a wide extent of territory. They have been long wanted and are both needed and the amount of good that will result from their timely coming can hardly be estimated in dollars—the probably do not exceed in value all things considered—in the above calculation.

During the last fortnight many an agriculturist in this vicinity has looked sickingly at his thin and unpromising crop and then at the brassy sky. Early recourse has had to be had to the irrigating streams, but with unsatisfactory results. However opportune and effective artificial watering may be and is to crops already started and on the way to maturity, experience proves that the gentle rains of heaven are necessary to the successful generation of the seed and the initiatory processes of growth. And now when these could not be much longer dispensed with without serious injury, behold the windows from above are opened, and the lovely earth and dusty vegetation are supplied an abundant drink and a refreshing bath. The gift should be received with gratitude, and with the relenting of nature should be mingled also the rejoicing of mankind.

THE SILVER CONFERENCE.

All the western states and territories except Washington have taken official action favorable to the silver conference to be held in this city on May 13, and even the exception named is expected to be unofficially represented. That means that the convention will be composed of leaders of thought on this subject from all of our neighbors. The fixing of this city for the place of meeting was a compliment which calls for special courtesy from the municipality. In this particular it is anticipated that the City Council will take some steps toward a proper reception of the visiting delegates. It may not be deemed necessary to proceed in strictly official form or to incur any expense therein to the city, but as citizens representative of the municipality it would be an act of courtesy to which all would assent for the members of the Council to form themselves into a popular committee to arrange and conduct proceedings in a suitable manner. Salt Lakers should perform their whole part in making the silver conference a complete success, for the credit of the city and Territory.

NICARAGUA'S POSITION.

One day's occupation of Corinto has cost Nicaragua $2,500, according to the proposition now made to settle with Britain for $75,000 instead of the $75,000 originally demanded. There is little room for doubt that the Central American republic treated this extra expense under the view that the United States would interfere to its benefit, in which respect it has been grievously disappointed and must bear an additional burden.

Away the country for this government interfering at the present stage of the proceedings, that does not appear to exist. The Mosquito question does not require it. It remains were it such territorial information there would be then some room for such action. And by Nicaragua, yielding outstanding upon the view that as it would government it would do, which so it plans with powerful Britain, and would be found with Britain in the claim to such a small station, leaving all international courtesy and equity a dollar down. There was no reason on the status, and now is closed. It was a premature claim to sacrifice money for which reparation has been demanded. Whether the sum required is just and right and ought to be paid is not the question, but more than a week where lost, have been spent in a vessel little out. Most country has now said to will this Government in order. He simply knows that no law a right to do so. Great Britain is doing just what Great, the Nicaragua must endure the punishment deserved.

Under these circumstances the United States is doing just what any self-respecting individual would do in the world—observing with interest and that the sending the sole

a kick to its impudence and offensive meddling. It may teach Nicaragua a sound lesson, which it could more cultivate in a common manner if it may expect to pain respect and esteem; but until that time it must pay the penalty of its own disregard of international usage. The Monroe doctrine, even if that "Monroe" had all the force and potency that some honest constitutional claim for it, will not save it; that is directed only against the extension of European control over territory on the mainland, which is not caught in the present instance. The sixty-five cents of $2,500 a day for only two days the cost for not Nicaragua to make the indignant and be a little easier to share in dealing with neighbors over Canal.

RESURRECTION OF THE BODY.

There is another case of heresy. Dr. Heber Newton, the rector of All Souls' episcopal church, New York, in a recent sermon on the Resurrection, frankly declared that it was impossible for him to believe that our Lord rose from the tomb in the physical body in which he suffered death on Calvary. He declined to discuss the question what became of this body, but maintained that what appeared to the disciples afterwards was not the corpse of Jesus, in a material body, "raised to the power of the living after death." In effect since the disciples felt the spiritual view of life after death, denying the possibility of a reconstruction of the physical body after its complete dissolution, they have been supposed to have seen it.

Into what from the manifest impossibility, according to all known laws, that the physical body shall be reconstructed, as the result of the spirit or the soul from the tomb, or indeed, even the same body, in the same form, as the same body, in the same form, as the same body, in the same form, as