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TESTIMONY OF AN ENEMY.

The anti-"Mormon" oracle still protests that it has no hostile designs upon the Church. And yet only a short time ago it designed as "Jack Mormons" all those who would not assist in dealing the CHURCH a "body blow." Is any other testimony necessary as to its attitude?

The Tribune has told its readers in every possible way, that the Church has broken its pledges with the nation; that it has used undue influence in politics; that it is prostituting the schools; that it is an enemy to American principles of government. And after having recited all this, and much more, it assures its readers that it is not animated by anti-"Mormon" sentiment, and by so doing it brands its own statements concerning the Church as so many falsehoods. For if only half of the allegations were true, the Tribune would be justified in entertaining the anti-"Mormon" sentiment, by which it is inspired, but of which it is ashamed and consequently attempts to conceal under denials.

The self-contradictory attitude of the anti-"Mormon" is really a testimony for the Church, all the more valuable because given by enemies.

All voters should vote tomorrow for unipartisan, non-sectarian schools.

THE RELIGION CLASSES.

As to the ridiculous allegation that the so-called religion classes are designed to in any way interfere with the public schools, it is sufficient to say, that not one instance has been shown so far, in which any teacher of religion classes has even attempted to teach religion in the schools, or tried to induce children of non-"Mormon" parents to attend such classes. Consequently no attempt to break the law concerning the schools has been proved, notwithstanding the great cry raised.

Concerning the right to use schoolhouses after school hours, for other purposes, opinions may, perhaps, be divided. But they certainly have been so used all over the State, without objection. They have been used by lecturers and, we believe, even by non-"Mormons," without detriment to anybody. The law, as Attorney-General Breckenridge points out, is, that the school board "may permit a schoolhouse, when not occupied for school purposes, to be used for any purpose which will not interfere with the seating or other furniture or property." This being the law, the great hubbub about the illegality of renting a schoolhouse for other purposes after school hours is seen to be entirely unwarranted. And yet, the advice of the leaders of religion classes to the teachers has always been to in any manner to interfere with the work of the public schools. These are facts that even the most bitter slanderers of the Church must admit to be true.

But at the polls the bigotry that hides under the name of Americanism.

CONGRESS.

Congress has again been opened, and the Solons of the land are ready for the business in hand. This is the short session, however, and the probability is that nothing more will be done than what is considered absolutely necessary. Issues of grave moment will, naturally, be left for the Congress which meets in December next year, unless summoned sooner in extra session.

One of the important questions talked about is tariff revision. On that subject opinions are very much divided. The country has endorsed the policy followed, but there may be details that need looking after. No human work is perfect. Even the tariff schedule can be better adapted to the industrial needs of the country.

Another important question is one that concerns our relations with China. The treaty regulating the admission of Chinese to this country is about to expire, and the governments of both nations are anxious to have it somewhat modified. Unless this treaty should be renewed the exclusion act will be operative in full force. But the present treaty has not been satisfactory to the Chinese people.

The question may become somewhat complicated by the demands of some that the Japanese be placed in a position similar to that of the Chinese. This cannot be done, however, as long

as Japan is one of the great powers in the family of nations, entitled to the "most-favored-nation" treatment for her citizens. Any humiliation of her citizens abroad would certainly provoke retaliation of some kind. Chinese subjects, in official positions at home, have been treated here with the utmost disregard of their rights. They have been detained in immigration pens, and otherwise humiliated. Funny a Japanese prince, or official, treated in that manner! It cannot be done. Our treaties with China need looking after. The establishment of more friendly relations would open up great markets there, and be a great benefit to American industry.

There are other important matters to consider, especially appropriations for various purposes. These cannot be postponed. The promise has been made that economy will be the rule. The country expects this. For even a great and prosperous nation can ill afford to squander its substance foolishly.

If you are entitled to vote, do not stay at home tomorrow. Make the victory for free schools overwhelming.

JUST ONE SAMPLE.

The following is referred to in these columns, only because it puts the truthfulness of the anti-"Mormon" organ in its proper light.

A few days ago that champion of a peculiar kind of "Americanism" said of Mr. Samuel Doxey, a teacher of manual training in this city:

"Mr. Doxey came from Ogden as a teacher under Superintendent Cooper. He was not a success as a teacher, so the board made him supervisor of manual training at a salary of \$1,500 a year. To increase his efficiency in this department the board did something that had never been done before. It appropriated money to send Mr. Doxey to Chicago to study manual training."

Later the same perverter of truth had this to say:

"Samuel Doxey, a 'Mormon' who failed as a teacher in Ogden and taught in the grades with indifferent success under Cooper, was sent to Chicago by the School Board and educated in manual training at the expense of the taxpayers."

Two distinct charges are here made, to prove sectarian influence in the schools. One is that Mr. Doxey failed as a teacher in Ogden; the other, that he was educated in Chicago, in manual training, at the expense of the public. Both are false.

First, as to the charge that he was a failure as a teacher, the following documents speak for themselves:

"North Ogden, May 3, 1894.

"This is to certify that the bearer, Mr. Samuel Doxey, has been principal of the North Ogden school two years. He has given excellent satisfaction for the thoroughness in which he has conducted our school. His character is such as is worthy of admiration. He has gained the love of the pupils and esteem of the parents."

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Here is another:

"Ogden, Utah, May 5, 1894.

"This certifies that Mr. Samuel Doxey has taught in the Weber county schools for two years, and during that time he has given entire satisfaction. During the past year, I have visited his school several times, in my capacity as superintendent of schools, and I am safe in saying that in all particulars, his school is not excelled in the county. His government is exceptionally good, and he has a thorough knowledge of modern methods."

This is signed by Mr. Mosiah, Hall, county superintendent.

Mr. R. S. Page, superintendent of public schools at Ogden, has this to say, under date of Jan. 13, 1895:

"The bearer, Mr. Samuel Doxey, having been principal of schools and teacher of grades under my supervision in Ogden, Utah, it affords me pleasure to testify to his merits as a school man, as well as to his uniform good character and reputation in the community in which he lives."

Superintendent of schools, Mr. William Allison, under date of Ogden, Utah, June 27, 1899, says, in part:

"Mr. Samuel Doxey, the bearer, has been a principal of one of our largest schools for the past six years. He still retains that position. He is an efficient disciplinarian and stands well in the estimation of the Board of Education. His record as a teacher is first class, and his character is above reproach."

So much for the charge of inefficiency. As for the other charge, that Mr. Doxey was educated abroad at the expense of the public, the daily falsifier says that the Board of Education "appropriated money to send Mr. Doxey to Chicago to study manual training. He received \$100 and expenses for the trip."

The truth is that the \$100 were appropriated for the inspection of necessary tools for manual training work, and that not one cent was appropriated for the education of Mr. Doxey. He spent two years in the University of Illinois, learning architecture in its various branches. He spent some time in Germany, studying to qualify himself for his labor in the schools here, and he also spent some time in a noted institution of sloyd in Sweden, and from all these places he has the very best of recommendations. Now, fancy the idea of studying for years in this country and abroad, for the magnificent sum of \$100! But that is as near the truth as the Tribune ever comes in its attacks upon individuals and institutions. The truth is that Mr. Doxey met his own expenses while studying in the various institutions of learning, and that he went abroad well recommended by prominent citizens here. Even Senator Kearns kindly recommended him to teachers and professors abroad.

In any court of justice, the testimony of a witness caught in telling palpable falsehoods would be thrown out. It remains for the voters tomorrow to act as an intelligent jury should do, were the case on trial, instead of before the court of public opinion. Place the proper brand upon a cause that must be supported by falsehood. Perverters of truth have no honorable object in view. Even if they come under the honored name of Americans, they are no better than wolves in sheep's skins.

A vote for non-partisan schools is a vote for future peace and good will in Utah. And the enemy knows this.

BRANDED OFFICIALS.

The following from the Los Angeles Times may, with profit, be read by the candidates for places on the Board of Education, who have lent their names to an anti-"Mormon" party, for partisan purposes:

"In the cattle country, when a steer is branded it is no longer public property, but belongs to the man or the association of men whose brand it bears."

"If a candidate for public office bears the brand of any man or association of men, said candidate must be regarded as owned by the man or association of men whose brand he bears."

"If a candidate for public office should dispute the contention that he is owned by any man or set of association of men, he must be able to stand before the people without a brand, or the marks of a brand, upon him, in order to make his contention hold good."

"If a candidate for public office who wears the brand of any man or set of association of men does not intend to consider himself as being owned by those whose brand he bears, then he is not an honest candidate. He cannot wear a brand and also repudiate it at one and the same time. If he does so he is dealing in deceit and perjury under false pretenses."

"A public official must serve the whole people, and not a part of the people. It doesn't matter whether he seeks the office of town constable or president of the United States, if he cannot, for any reason, serve all the people all the time, unhampered, unpledged, unswayed and unbranded, he is out of place and unfit to perform his functions if elected, and to fulfill the oath he then must take."

The simple life is not for simple.

Washington is itself again. Congress is in session.

The question now is, Will Congress get out an extra?

Better than "The strenuous life" or "The simple life" is the exemplary life.

The interest in the Chadwick case is owing to the fact that there is a woman in it.

For a second time Nan Patterson faces a jury, charged with murder. Can it be that Nan is double faced?

Through the store windows the children are beginning to get a peep into the land where Santa Claus lives.

It cannot be denied that the reading through of the President's message, at one sitting, kind of gives one "that tired feeling."

Thomas W. Lawson's home has been attached in a suit brought in New York. This is frenzied finance with a vengeance.

Barnum and Bailey's man says that the day of the flaming circus poster is about over. If that be so then about the best part of the circus is over.

The Novoe Yremya says there is more race prejudice in the United States than in Russia. This shows how prejudiced the Novoe Yremya is.

Yale's football profits this year amount to seventy thousand dollars. Can any question now be raised as to whether or not a college education pays?

Italy may send a statue of Julius Caesar for the War College. If this thing keeps on the grounds will have to be enlarged to accommodate them all.

Philanthropists and retired capitalists continue to endow schools of various kinds. But why has not one of them ever thought to endow a School of Experience?

Though her husband says that he will stand by his wife through thick and thin the fact remains that in this cold, cruel, heartless world Mrs. Chadwick is a lone woman.

According to the Tribune's Washington correspondent Senator Dubois' fellow senators now salute him as "The Tiger of the Jungle." Why not make it Shearman for short? That is the name in the Jungle books.

Tomorrow is school election. No citizen interested in honest, non-partisan, genuine American schools, schools untainted by sectarianism of any kind, can afford to stay away from the polls. To do so is to invite rampant partisanship and prejudice to take control of the schools.

Oregon has thrown out a Roosevelt elector. It was this same state that returned Cronin as an elector in 1876. But there is no such close election now as there was then. What a fame Cronin did enjoy for awhile. Even the poets took him up, and one, remembering his Goldsmith wrote:

And still the wonder grows That one small head can Contain all his nose.

Poor old General Tyler is no more. Grant's postmaster-general went down to the grave with somewhat of a cloud resting upon his reputation. His appeal to the President to remove it was futile. That appeal only resulted in making a bad matter worse. Because of his extreme age public sympathy was rather with him, and the people were inclined to look with leniency on his faults, preferring to regard them as mistakes of the honest rather than of the head. He has gone where his whole career will be judged on its true merits, where final and absolute justice will be done him.

WHAT SOME EDITORS SAY.

Boston Herald.

It is to be regretted that Admiral Dewey's modesty is likely to prevent his serving on the North sea arbitration commission. This is not the first time that Dewey's natural reserve has held him back. He once declined to be considered a candidate for the presidency, on the ground that he wasn't up

to the requirements of the position.

San Francisco Chronicle.

A good deal of space is being wasted in discussing the question whether there is any ground for the objection of Mr. Edward Clarke to the application of the term "American" to the embassies and consulates of the United States. The easiest way of answering adverse criticism is to ask those who indulge in it: "What are you going to do about it?" When they attempt to answer they will realize how foolish it is to oppose official use of a designation which has been universally employed before and since the day when Chatham said: "If I were an American as I am an Englishman."

Los Angeles Times.

The world of dramatic art will today lay a wreath of immortelles lovingly upon the grave of Mme. Januschek. In her days of health and strength she was one of the ablest exponents of the best traditions of the stage and one of the greatest tragediennes the world has known. And there is peculiar pathos in the fact that this great woman, who once commanded not only the admiration of the theater-going world, but as high compensation for her work as anyone on the stage, should have been dependent in her old age upon charity for her support.

Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Twenty years ago Diaz took office with the treasury empty, the country without credit, and the people in distress. He has succeeded in placing the government finances on a sound basis, has established the credit of Mexico in the world's money markets, built up its industries and made Mexico prosperous and its people contented. The inauguration for a seventh term of a president who has done so much for Mexico might well be celebrated with public festivities and popular enthusiasm.

Kansas City Star.

Of course, the World's fair at St. Louis made no money. Neither do the public schools, nor the art galleries, nor the museums make any money. Even grand opera in New York and in all of the cities of Europe has to be maintained by private subscriptions or state subsidies. It makes no money for anybody but the singers. But is there nothing to be considered but making money?

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