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"NEWS" STAFF REUNION.

There was, in the comfortable home of the present editor of the Deseret News, last night, a reunion of the staff writers of this paper. It was a gathering that had long been contemplated, and one that proved itself entitled to a pleasant place in the experience of all whose good fortune it was to be in attendance. Speech-making, music, mutual felicitations and delicious refreshments were features of the assembly. But the most interesting factor of the affair, perhaps, was the reading of selections from a special edition of a staff paper, which bore the prefatory announcement that it would be "Published When Necessary." It was called "The Evening Chestnut," and in it every reporter was permitted to say what he chose about his fellow workers, but in each case, without the knowledge of what the others had said. The fact was not forgotten that the day before was the seventy-fifth anniversary of the birth of Hon. Charles W. Penrose, now president of the European Mission. He was referred to frequently during the evening in loving phrase and kindly thought, and from the editorial columns of the Extra, the following was read by a member of the staff expressive of the views and sentiments of all present:

In the spirit of the occasion, and in ignorance of what shall follow these lines of greeting and goodfellowship, but rather suspecting that it will be composed of more of modern instances and sparkling wit, than wise saws and sage remarks, this contribution is offered as a foreword to the EVENING CHESTNUT, whose burrs will be broken and whose fruit will fall in the garden of our worthy host and hostess this night. The laughs they will provoke will be healthful and the exercise they give, should aid digestion.

To those whose guests we are, we pay our homage and respect. Unto them we say: "Peace and happiness; happiness, peace, prosperity and salvation forever." They are our friends and we are theirs. Under the roof of their hospitable home we have assembled to do honor to him who was once our chief. Absent he is, but not forgotten. Distance cannot wither our memory of him. In the service of the Master he has been, and now is, a loyal soldier.

"Age sits with tender grace upon his visage, And worthily becomes his scarcely silvered locks. He wears the marks of many years well spent, Of virtue, truth well tried, and wise experience."

Seventy-five years young, unbroken by the storms of state, unimpeded before his God, he stands erect in the image of his Maker, a valiant worker in the cause of Truth, clear of mind and strong of faith. And now, as he goes out into the sunlight of another year we join with one accord in the heartfelt wish that his days may be long upon the earth and that he may live to witness the full fruition of all his hopes. May the Father of all preserve and protect him to this end.

FALSE STORIES.

An illustration of the manner in which false rumors are originated and circulated, is furnished by a notice that appeared in the Philadelphia Evening Telegram of Jan. 29, concerning a meeting in which Mr. V. S. Peet, of this city, challenged the lecturer to prove his misstatements concerning Utah and the people here. It appears that the speaker was addressing a congregation at Gloucester, N. J., on "Indians, Mexicans, and Mormons," and that he incorporated in his lecture some of the commonly told falsehoods. Mr. Peet, who happened to be present, arose and asked the Rev. disseminator of fiction to prove some of his assertions, offering a donation of \$1,000 to the church, if the proofs were given.

In reporting this episode to the Philadelphia paper mentioned, the reporter gave it this heading: "Enraged Mormon Calls Preacher Liar," and furthermore stated that the "man gave his name as V. S. Peet, and said that he was a member of the Mormon Church." He further volunteered the opinion that: "It is believed that Peet is directed by the Mormon Church to follow Mr. Finks and other men who lecture on Mormonism and break up the meetings."

Thus falsehoods are originated and spread. We know not how much of the report concerning the meeting and its abrupt ending by Mr. Peet, is true, and how much is fiction, but when the reporter states that Mr. Peet said he is a "Mormon," and an emissary of the Church, he certainly drew on his imagination. Mr. Peet, we understand, travels in the interest of business with which he is identified, and although he is not a member of the Church, he takes occasion, wherever he can do so properly, to say a good word for Utah and to refute the slanders that hired scandal-mongers are peddling out all over the country in the interests of defeated and enraged aspirants to political honors. Reports to the effect that Mr. Peet has created disturbances in meetings have been circulated before, but, on investigation, they have been found without basis in facts.

The idea that Mr. Peet, or anyone else should be directed by the Church to follow anti-"Mormon" ministers and disturb their meetings, is preposterous. Omnipresence would be required, almost, in an agent with such a mission for anti-"Mormon" lecturers are as numerous as the frogs were in Egypt. Nothing short of a divine miracle can stop that plague, and make the pest depart from "out of the houses, out of the villages, and out of the fields."

But the story proves how falsehoods

are circulated freely whenever "Mormonism" is mentioned. It seems impossible for some preachers, newspapers, and magazines to refer to anything concerning the Church without misrepresenting the facts, sometimes intentionally and sometimes, no doubt, inadvertently. However, this condition is but temporary. It is owing to the prevalence of ignorance concerning the Church. But the darkness of ignorance is not permanent. It will be dispelled by the light of truth. And then the objects that have assumed all manner of distorted outlines and black hues during the dark night, will be seen as they are. Light is coming. The day is approaching.

The numerous stories sent out from Utah, by unscrupulous seekers after notoriety and collection-box money belong to the same category as the yarn about Mr. Peet. We have before us one of these vile literary concoctions in the form of an article published by The Palladium Tribune and signed by one Jessie Hyde of Murray. The lady, we understand, has spent at least three months in Utah and is therefore competent to speak with the force of authority upon all questions relating to this State and the Church. That is, in her great modesty she thinks so herself. And this is what she has to say:

"You ask then what is the matter with Utah? I answer that she is un-American. She has neither religious, political nor social liberty. The Mormon Priesthood does the thinking for the people, who are very religious but not Christian; Mormonism is an edified and barbarous superstition, a perverted Bible and countless false revelations. The Mormon system teaches thus and so and you must believe and accept without question."

"The Mormon Priesthood controls the politics of Utah and holds the balance of power in two or three other states and territories. Each good Mormon has his political views made to order, his measure being taken by the Bishop of his ward. We had abundant proof of this in the election of last autumn."

We are sorry to have to contradict the lady, whoever she is, but it is evident that she came to Utah with her eyes blinded to truth by prejudices, and that she has seen nothing here, for herself, but is simply repeating the slanders others have poured into her ears. She has become a poor tool of others, with whose designs and ultimate aims she is as ignorant as she is of the religion of the Saints. It is a lamentable fact that an Ananias always finds a Sapphira to back him up in his hypocrisy. But for this fact, falsehood would be less plentiful in the world.

When the lady says Utah has neither religious, political, nor social liberty, she simply utters a monstrous falsehood. She might as well have said that this State has neither mountains, creeks, nor lakes. Is there a man, or woman, in all Utah who can truthfully say that anyone here has tried to interfere with his, or her, religious, political, or social inclinations? Not one. But even if there had been exceptional cases of attempted coercion, such as may have occurred in any other state of the Union, at one time or another, that would far from prove the sweeping assertion that Utah "has neither religious, political, nor social liberty." That proposition can never be anything but a colossal lie when asserted about any section of God's earth over which the American flag is waving. And it is especially untrue of Utah, where a handful of malicious politicians in alliance with ignorant bigots have full liberty to persecute the majority of the citizens, by all the means available since the abolition of the rack and the thumb-screws, and then enjoy themselves socially in Sunday saloons, or whatever resorts are more to their liking. No liberty, indeed!

Of this character is the entire tirade against the "Mormons." For the information of the lady, we will say that the "Mormon" Priesthood does not do the thinking for the people. The "Mormons" are expected to think for themselves; to pray and read and study for themselves. They have, therefore, no priests who are paid for studying and composing a sermon for them, but they must do their own thinking, and not until they are prepared to exercise their intelligence can they hope to advance in knowledge and faith. Those that bear the holy Priesthood and hold offices in the Church are the servants, not the masters, of the people. The "Mormon" Priesthood does not control politics in Utah, nor anywhere else. There is no "hierarchy" except in the diseased imagination of anti-"Mormons," and as for social purity among the "Mormons," we are willing to test that by any fair comparison with others, that can be made.

The lady writer from Murray has been imposed upon, and is therefore imposing upon others. We hope when she has the bandages of prejudice torn from her eyes, she will be able to see some good in the people here, and apologize to her Utah sisters for the wrong she has done in bearing false witness against them.

A TOUCH OF SPRING.

The people of Utah should be very proud of their climate these days. The bright sunshine and balmy atmosphere have a touch of spring in them so gentle are they. And yet it will be the hope of most of us that the Frost King has not taken his departure for the season. There should, and probably will be weeks of clouds and storms interspersed through the bright days and pleasant nights before the summer shall come.

Bye and bye, the fame of Utah's climate will be more widely known than it now is, and some time the news will go forth, that while the elements lash themselves into a fury elsewhere, and when danger stalks abroad amid the visitation of disaster, there will be safety in the fastnesses of these rugged mountains, where there has ever been comparative immunity from them. Occasionally a heavy wind sweeps down our canyons and over our valleys and causes some damage, but the loss will be found light as compared with that inflicted in the sections whence the gust came. Last fall a good many trees were laid low and no small amount of inconvenience was caused by an unexpected windstorm, but the damage was altogether inconsequential when we remember the havoc and the desolation that were wrought in its pathway before it reached Utah.

And now, when the people of northern Montana, the Dakotas and Min-

nesota and other states are suffering with extreme cold, a breath like that of spring is upon us. Altogether Utah is a good place in which to dwell.

There is to be no bounty on wild cat mining.

What's a soldier's home without a canteen?

Bald headed men are immune from hairbreadth escapes.

Dr. Wiley was not nearly so witty as District Attorney Jerome.

"After storm, sunshine" was beautifully exemplified yesterday and today.

The interstate commerce commission investigations are getting to be pokey.

The snowslides are getting in their work, and it is a work of destruction.

In time of peace keep your training up so you will always be in condition.

Is hereditary insanity in the Thaw family a real skeleton or only a make believe?

Should not adult delinquents be sent to a senile rather than to a juvenile court?

Japan declared no war against Russia. She simply made it without declaration.

Has the Hon. B. X. Smith a remedy for every ill-in-present and in-potential?

If war comes an automobile brigade should be formed. It would crush all before it.

Japanese bonds were affected by the war scare but it never touched United States bonds.

In his youth Thaw had St. Vitus' dance. In his middle age he is having St. Jerome's dance.

No need of an eminent domain law to bring condemnation proceedings against bald poultry.

When Jerome got through with him, Dr. Wiley must have wondered whether he was an expert or merely exhibit A.

A Kansas society woman announced that she was going to give a "salon" and immediately Carrie Nation unsling her hatchet.

Herr Bebel says he cannot account for the socialist defeat in Germany. But he realizes that the tower of Bebel was shattered.

Jerome's cross-examination of Dr. C. Wiley was quite as thorough and interesting as Hughes' examination of the life insurance magnates.

The Nevada house proposes to make it a crime for any legislator or officer of the Sagebrush state to ride on a railroad pass. "Truly this is so sudden."

The fact that the court-martial trial now being held at Fort Douglas is secret has aroused great interest. There is nothing like mystery to arouse interest, suspicion and inquiry.

The London Tailoring Journal says that purple will be the fashionable color for men's holiday and lounging suits this summer. This will be purple and fine linen all in one.

"American party officials saved city many thousands," says the organ of the "American" party. Every word of that is true, for they might have taken and squandered everything while as yet they have not.

"The scientist who can get up a satisfactory substitute for milk can be promised a hearty welcome when he steps forward," says an exchange. And so can the scientist who can get up a satisfactory substitute for the substitute for milk.

A woman's club has been formed in New York with no "rescue" reform or religious feature; nothing but rest and refreshment during the lunch hour. That must be the queerest woman's club ever formed.

INDIAN BECOMES A PRIEST.

Topeka, Capital.
To be the first full-blood Indian to become a Roman Catholic priest is the unusual distinction of the Rev. Father Albert Negahquet of Kansas, now conducting religious labors among his fellow race-men in Oklahoma and Indian Territory. So far as known Father Negahquet is the only living Roman Catholic priest who is a full-blood Indian. Father Negahquet was born on the Pottawatomie reservation near St. Mary's, this state, in 1877. Soon afterward he was brought to Topeka by his parents and in the Church of the Assumption here he was baptized. He was the youngest of a family of ten children.

GROWING TEA IN U. S.

Exchange.
At present the American Tea Growing company has 120 acres of tea under cultivation at Tea, near Rantowles, S. C. Of this number 60 acres are planted with tea-bearing plants. Fully 200 pounds to the acre are produced. It is the plan to increase the acreage under cultivation by about 30 acres a year until there are 600 acres of tea growing, which will mean that between 100,000 and 200,000 pounds of tea will be produced in South Carolina each year by 1914.

WHY LINCOLN TOLD STORIES.

Silas W. Burt in the Century.
"I believe I have the popular reputation of being a story teller, but I do not deserve the name in its general sense; for it is not the story itself, but its purpose, or effect, that interests me. I often avoid a long and useless discussion by others or a laborious explanation on my own part by a short story that illustrates my point of view. So, too, the sharpness of a refusal or the edge of a rebuke may be blunted by an appropriate story, so as to save wounded feelings and yet serve the purpose. No, I am not simply a story teller, but story telling as an emolument saves me much friction and distress."

WORSE THAN LOBBYISTS.

Portland Oregonian.
However despicable the professional lobbyist may be, his standard of citizenship is immeasurably higher than that of the member of the legislature who will introduce a radical measure for the purpose of compelling the interests attacked to buy him off. Of

course such things have never been done in Oregon, but in some states the corporations find it necessary to pay tribute in order to secure justice at the hands of petty tyrants temporarily vested with legislative power.

TWO DIFFERENT THINGS.

The New York Mail.
Washington reports that more than 13,000,000 men in the United States are available for military service. Before we glory in our strength, however, it will be well to recall "Chickamauga," Tampa, Camp Ager and Monck Point, and ponder the difference between availability and efficiency.

JUST FOR FUN.

Out-Heroding Herod.

From the Chicago Tribune.
After "Salome" has finished its run in New York city a musical version of the Thaw trial, attractively staged, would seem to be its logical successor.

Penny for Her Thoughts.

Mabel—I am in the blues today; I never felt so miserable.
Bertha—Why, I can always cheer myself up thinking what beautiful clothes I could buy if I only had the money.—American Spectator.

Her Easter Gown.

She—What are you muttering about?
He—I was just wondering how in the mischief unmarried women manage to get dressed.—Brooklyn Life.

Born Lucky.

President Roosevelt's son-in-law is on Sam Gompers' blacklist. Some men are born lucky.—Rochester Post-Express.

She—Here we've been married just one month, and now you no longer love me.
He—But, my dear—
"Don't try to explain. I'm not blind. You made a mistake—you ought to have married some silly, stupid woman."

"But, dearest, I've done my best."—Tit-Bits.

"We eloped in an auto and her father came after us in another."
"He had to make a bluff, eh?"
"That's it. Had he really wanted to catch us he would have pursued us on foot."—Pittsburg Post.

No Immediate Payment.

From Harper's Weekly.

A prominent New York lawyer says that in his early professional days he was glad to expand his slender income by bill collecting. On one occasion he had a bill against a man who incidentally had since achieved a success which puts him beyond the necessity of such an indefinite statement as he made on that occasion. The young lawyer found him with his feet propped upon his desk, while he gazed dreamily at the ceiling through a cloud of tobacco smoke.

"But, really, sir, I must insist that you give me some definite idea as to when you will settle the bill," he said, after having been gently rebuffed.

The author consented to lower his eyes and to wave his pipe languidly. "Why, certainly, sir—though there seems to me to be a rather unnecessary commotion about this trifling bill," he drawled. "I will pay the bill as soon as I think of it after receiving the money which a publisher will pay me in case he accepts the novel which I will write and send him as soon as I feel in an energetic mood after a really good idea for a plot has occurred to me!"

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