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NON-PARTISAN SCHOOLS.

The so-called American organ uttered on Wednesday, and repeated in substance on Thursday, the following and similar nonsense:

"The Liberal party took the schools in this city, organized them from the old disorganized condition in which the city was divided into twenty-one sepacity was divided into twenty-one sepa-rate school districts, and made a com-pact, unified school system of it for the city. Then the Liberal party was dis-solved. Between the time of the dis-solution of that party and the present, the church has gradually encroached upon the schools until it now has com-late central of them "! plete control of them."

Excepting one phrase, each statement in the foregoing miserable excerpt is untrue, or misleading.

The schools were not "disorganized" when there were twenty-one districts in the City. The Liberal party did not make the "compact, unified school system" which we now have. That was the work of the free school law passed by the State legislature-a legislature made up almost entirely of "Mormons." The same "compact, unified school system" was likewise formed in Ogden, Provo, and Logan, and later in Murray; and it took no "Liberal" party to do it. The school boards were elected in accordance with the free school law in all of these places. The "Liberal" party happened to carry this City just when this law was about to go into effect, and their officials did nothing more or less than to put into effect what they were by law required to do, They did no better in this respect than the other school boards mentioned. They did no better than their non-partisan successors in office. It is true that for a while some of the "Liberals" tried to exclude all "Mormons" from any place in the schools, whether as teachers, or other employees; but this was found to be so ridiculous and fanatical an extreme of bigotry that it was gradually discontinued.

In only one respect fid the so-called "Liberal" members of the Board of Education differ from their successors in office: They singled out the citizens of one religious belief and tried to exclude them from equal participation in the public free school system. But this miserable attempt to revive mediæval bigotry did not find favor, and gradually the thought of it seemed to die out. When the first "Liberal" board went out of office, its policy was so far modified that positions in the public schools were open to all on the basis of merit and fitness alone; and that is the present condition.

The public schools are now, and have

he was assassinated in 1806. In 1810 out of the schools, keep them non-par-Christophe became king under the style and title of Henry I, and maintained himself in power for a decade. Like his predecessor, he drove the people mad by his rapacity and cruelty. He was overthrown by a revolution in 1820, and committed suicide. He appears to have been a man of very considerable abilities. Taking Napoleon as his model, he made the Haytian army respectable in appearance, set up a court filled with Negro nobles, and for a time impressed the world with the belief that the long "coming man" of the African race had arrived. Soulouque, the third Haytian mon

arch, appeared upon the scene more than twenty years after Christophe's death. He was the blackest of black men, and rallied his race solidly in his support. President in 1846, he made himself emperor, as Faustin I, in 1849, and was crowned with all the solemnity possible in Hayti in 1850. Soulouque managed to keep up the imperial regime until 1858, when he was deposed. Since then the country has had no emperors but plenty of revolutions.

VALUABLE WHEAT.

Some interesting experiments are bcing made in laboratories of the university of Cambridge for the purpose of producing wheat immune to the ray ages of destructive pests. Farmers will have a special interest in these experiments. They know what an enemy is the parasite fungus that is known as rust, for instance. It has been estimated that the average loss to the farmers of the world from that cause is no less than \$500,000,000. If

wheat could be raised, immune from that pest and at the same time satisfactory in all respects, the world would be the gainer to the extent of that amount.

R. C. Punnett describes in the Decemher number of Harper's Magazine the experiments of Prof. Biffen in that direction. The Scientist began his experiments by crossing a variety peculiarly subject to the attacks of yellow rust with an immune variety. The hybrids produced were all severely attacked by rust. In the following year such seed as could be collected from these plants was sown. The greater number of the resulting plants were much rusted, but some were entirely free from the disease, though growing up in the closest contact with their rusty brethren. It was found on counting that the immune plants formed almost exactly a quarter of the total number. The fact that resistance to yellow rust, the author says, is a unit character exhibiting Mendelian inheritance makes it a simple matter to transfer it to wheats 1 lich are in every way desirable except for their susceptibility to rust. From the knowledge gained through his experiments Professor Biffen has been able to build up wheats combining the large yield and excellent straw of the best English varieties with the strength of the foreign grain, and at the same time quite immune to yellow rust. During the present year several acres of such wheat, we are told, coming true to type, were grown on the Cambridge University Experimental farm, and when the quantity is sufficient to be put upon the market there is, according to the writer quoted, no reason to doubt its exerting a considerable influence on the agricultural outlook.

ALCOHOL AND CRIME.

Dr. Henry Smith Williams in an man. article in the Christmas number of McClure's charges that alcohol is one cause of poverty, insanity, and crime. Estimates based on investigations ascribe from one-third to one-half of the recognized poverty of Germany, to the effects of alcohol. These are singularly in harmony with the estimates made for England by British investigators and with the careful statistics compiled for America by the Committee of Fifty. Such correspondence, he argues, cannot well be accidental. They give secure warrant for the belief that at least one-third of all the recognized pauperism in the most highly civilized communities of Christendom results from bodlly and mental inefficiency due to alcoholic indulgence. A similar correspondence of testimony shows that the same cause is responsible for the mental overthrow of fully one-fourth of all the unfortunates who are sent to asylums for the insane; for the misfortunes of two-fifths of neglected or abandoned children; and for the moral delinquencies of at least half of the convicts, in our prisons and of not less than four-fifths of the inmates of our jails and workhouses. The Committee of Fifty reported, on The Economic Aspects of the Liquor Problem," that of a total number of criminal cases investigated, 6,694 were due to intemperance, and all the others to lack of industrial training, unfavorable environment, etc. Over half are charged to alcohol. The same committee reports that the cost of pauperism is 79 per cent greater in license cities than in prohibition cities. This is a complete answer to those who maintain that no community can afford to dispense with the income from the liquor traffic. The contrary is true. No community can afford to keep and foster a traffic that costs immense sums for the maintenance of criminal courts and jails, asylums and poorhouses England's latest scare was made in

There is a growing scarcity of tim-

ber instead of a growing of timber. "Uncle Joe" Cannon will go into ac-

tion with his calssons full of ammunition. In making the new cabinet care will be taken to provide an ample "pie

counter." The examination for the eivil service should include a knowledge of Chesterfield's letters.

What will be the issue in the next presidential campaign? The war of 1912 of course.

What could a German army of invasion do against the Trained Bands and the Beef Eaters?

"Is a dentist an artist just because he draws teeth?" asks an exchange. No; it's because he has a pull.

A game of snowball instead of football would have been more appropriate on Cumminings field yesterday. One of the first and most important

steps in a boy's industrial education is for him to learn that he must work. "We are all anxious to revise the other fellow's tariff," says Senator El-

not up. When the deputy sheriffs fired into the Perth Amboy striking fireproofing

prove to be fire proof. the price of turkeys Wednesday is

Salt Lake City are fleeced and robbed

'attack" Mr. Kindel, as the Tribune maliciously stated. The "News" article itself proves that the Tribune, as usual, falsified.

was produced in the mid-continent secmuch the same thing.

A correspondent of North China. Herald tells a story that is meant to prove that the Chinese are utterly incapable as soldiers. According to the report, a band of 30 robbers were making life miserable for the pacific inhabitants of Tai-wongkong, A squadron of gunboats, with 1,000 warriors aboard was sent up from Kuantung to kill, or disperse the bandits, Before the host arrived, the brigand chief had amassed sufficient wealth to retire and so it happened that, as the army was coming, he and his 29 comrades were negotiating a treaty of peace with Tai-wongkong dignitaries. They had temporarily taken lodging in a suburban house. Thither proceeded the 1,000 soldiers and surrounded the building. "The battle," says the correspondent, "continued all day and far into the 'night." But even robbers must eat; so some of the thirty were detailed, at the height of the conflict to catch and slaughter a pig. After the pig was duly devoured, the thirty besieged walked through the servicd ranks of the besiegers,

JUST FOR FUN. "Now, my little man, you are ac-cused of striking another boy and knocking out one of his teeth." "'Scuse me, jedge, two of his teeth."-Life.

"The average family in America comprises 4.6 persons." "I guess I'm the .6 of this family," murnured Paw Hoptoad a triffo acidly,-Louisville Courier-Journal.

No Danger.-Excited woman-"Are you going to run away with me?" Reckless driver (slightly intoxicated) -"Sorry, mum; but-but I can't ob-lige you. I'm mar-married already." -Judge.

"Before we were married you said you'd lay down your life for me," she sobbed. "I know it," he returned, solemnly; 'but this confounded flat is so finny that so tiny ther's no place to la thing down."-Harper's Bazar. no place to lay any-

The Dominie-"Why are you anxious "Cause dad said he wouldn't go to the expense of a turkey unless some one should come to dinner."-Puck.

Vicar of Poppleton-"I hear you have been over at Ippleton Church the last two Sundays, Bates. How would you like it if your cattle strayed into somebody else's field?" Bates—"I shouldn't object, if so be the pasture was better!"—Punch.

First Society Woman-Has the bushness panic affected you any? Second Society Woman-Dreadfully, We're on the verge of starvation. Do come and have dinner with us.-Life.

Ella-I saw Fred this morning. Stella-How was he looking? Ella-Pretty glum-just as if some-thing had taken the roses and sunshine out of his life. Tell me, dear, have you promised to marry him?-Chicago Daily Nawa Daily News,

Her-Why on earth did you over mar-Him-Oh, don't be so bromidic! That's what everybody asks .-- Cleve-

RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

land Leader.

Everyone who has thought of the danger of facing poverty in his old age will be interested in Burton J. Hendrick's article on "The Supcran-nuated Man" in the Christmas num-ber of McClure's Magazine, Mr. Hen-dric tells of the growth of the pen-sion system among corporations and the work of the Carnegie Foundation on behalf of retired college professors. Dr. Henry Smith Williams contributes a paper dealing with alcohol as a chief cause of crime, insunity and pauperism; Samuel Hopkins Adams shows how Copenhagen has solved the shows how Copenhagen has solved the pure milk problem, and General Kuropatkin tells why Japan defeated Kuropatkin tells why Japan defeated Russia. The number contains two Lincoln articles: one the hitherto unpublished account of an eye witness of the assassination of Mr. Lincoln and the other the story of "Our American Cousin," the play he went to see on the night of the tragedy. An attrac-tive feature of the number is a paper by John La Farge in his series on "One Hundred Masterpieces of Painting," which is handsomely is-lustrated in colors. There is an un-usually interesting list of short stories-44-60 E. twenth-third St., New York. New York.



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kins. Yes, and to revise it down and

company employes, the strikers did not A tumble of ten cents a pound in

proof positive of how the people of

Once more: The "News" did not

John D. Archbold admits that he once said that he would drink all the oil that tion. While he didn't do this his company absorbed it, which is, in a way,

been, non-partisan, non-religious, and absolutely without prejudice to people of any sect or party, ever since the first strenuous attempt of the old "Liberal" machine to exclude "Mormons" from service in the public schools was tried. Since the time when that spirit spent its unreasonable rage and sanity returned, there has been no attempt till now to inject anti-religious bigotry into the conduct of the schools. That attempt the "American" organ is now making and it deserves to fall, Keep the public schools out of the control of those who seek to use them for partisan purposese.

The organ well knows that the schools are now efficient, well managed, and non-partisan, with the members of all parties and all churches freely employed in them according to their qualifications as defined by law. None are discriminated against; and this is just why the organ is raving again.

HAYTI.

A dispatch from New Orleans states thal anarchy reigns in the Haytian republic. There seems to be a revo lution again, and both sides are reveling in blood. The foreigners are alarmed, and the suggestion is made that the United States interfere for the protection of life and property and the restoration of order

The president of the republic is General Nord Alexis. A few years ago he was credited with the intention of proclaiming himself emperor. Possibly he is still, though a very old man, entertaining imperiations.

The main trouble with the people of that country is that they have always been divided into classes each one striving for control of the government. These classes were, from the first, divided according to the color of the skin, in white, mulattoes and black. The first-named were originally the French planters and merchants; the mulattoes included many men of education and intelligence, who started the first revolt by a demand --- civic rights. The blacks were the slaves These lines of cleavage run through Haytian politics even to this day. The balance of power has been sometimes with one element and sometimes with another. The mulattoes are occasionally influenced by the white blood in their veins, and the fact that most of the victims of Nord Alexis have been half-breeds is significant of black domination and of the survival of the passions engendered in the three-sided contest. It may be easy enough to suggest interference by the United States. Eut it would be a difficult task for any government to unite these elements and eliminate race hatred from Haytian politics.

The history of the republic is one of almost continual strife In 1804 Dessa lines proclaimed himself emperor, but



IGNORANCE AND CRIME.

New York Evening Post. With better laws and business polihowever, there must also come cles, however, there must also come more rational agriculture. The night rider has shown how heavily ignorance contributes to crime. Mr. Mathews has pointed out, in the Atlantic Monthly, how tobacco growers have turned to the pool and violence because, when brought into competition with their more fortu-nate neighbors in the Ring Chere die into competition with their more fortu-nate neighbors in the Blue Grass dis-trict, where the yield per-acre is enor-mous, they could neither increase their own leaf to a profitable point nor turn to other crops. Farming methods, par-ticularly in the hill countries are as crude as in Turkey; "shallow ploughing --three inches or so--followed by the scattering of a little fertilizer in the rows, the rotation of perhaps two crops, and the abandonment of old fields to wash away with the torrential rains"---a dismal plcture! And yet, on those same hills the best corn, clover, vege-tables, and live stock can be raised with only a little knowledge. It makes one wonder whether teachers would not be more useful than constables in Kenbe more useful than constables in Kentucky just now.

A DUKE'S REMEDY FOR SPEED-MANIA.

London Chronicle. The Duke of Northumberland at a conference on the motor question held at the Mansion House yesterday after-noon said he did not believe that the difficulties with motorists would ever difficulties with motorists would ever be overcome until for certain offenses the penalty was enforced of confiscat-ing the car for so many months. His grace did not wish to be too hard on the poor motorist. "Let him come and see his car daily if he likes. Let him shed a tear over it daily and see to its health as it should be seen to, but health as it should be seen to; but don't let him use it for six months.



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