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CAPITAL PUNISHMENT.

THOUSANDS of years ago the Divine flat went forth, "Whose sheddeth man's blood, of him also shall man's blood be shed." This has passed in-to human laws and has been embod-ied in most of the codes of civilized nations. He who unlawfully takes nations. He who unlawfully takes human life forfeits his own, according to both divine and man-made enactments, and experience has shown that it is for the interest of mankind. The only atonement a murderer can'offer for his crime)is the shedding of his own blood in expia. a part in the government, it fur-nishes at least reasonable presump-tive evidence in her favor, and she has a right to claim that, so long as none but good results are manifest, the law should remain unrepealed." tion. This is "blood atonement," about which so much has been said to prejudice the public mind against the "Mormons,"

There are some persons of so tender a frame of mind that they can-Gov. Campbell referred to the not endure the idea of shedding the ame subject in 1873 in the followblood of even a dangerous malefacing language: They have more sympathy

"The experiment of granting to romen a voice in the government, the criminal than for the for which was inaugurated, for the first victims of his blood guiltiness. time in the history of our country, by the first Legislative Assembly of Wyoming, has now been tried for four years. I have heretofore taken occasion to express my views in re-gard to the wisdom and justice of They would slobber over a convicted murderer, elevate him into a hero, move heaven and earth to prevent his proper punishment, and drop no tear over the life he has and drop no tear over the life he has extinguished or the misery he has caused to the bareaved. They cry out against revenge. But in the death penalty for murder, revenge death penalty for murder, revenge served to despen my conviction that does not figure at all. The protection what we in this Territory have done, of society and the magnifying of the law are objects in view, not re-system of impartial suffrage is an unqualified success."

Some States and communities. In 1875 Gov. John W. Thayer's have been so influenced by the senmessage commented on the question timentalists as to abolish the death as follows: penalty allogether. In no instance

penalty altogether. In no instance has the change produced good re-sults. Switzerland tried, it and found that it would not work. So with some of the States of the Fede-ral Union. On this the Philadelphis American has the following:

community. A right or privilege once granted is not easily surrender ed. In this case it is difficult to "Statistics show that the abolition of capital punishment in murder cases works as badly in Maine as in perceive any good reason why is should be." Michigan. 1. 1870, the convicts undergoing lite-imprisonment for murder were six per cent. of the whole number; in 1878, 10 per cent.; in 1832, 25 per cent. "Woman suf

Now the churches cannot say too much for Soli-mon — they say he was the wises of men—they quote his proverbs, at least they say he said them—they sing -nc, I mis-take—they do to a large temple full of wives. Then his father was much about him and they sing his songs. Now why do they abute you? Next I do not see that the glorious Constitution of the U. S. gives Con-ritories. It does confer municipal and police authority in the District of Columbia expressly. But I do not see that municipal power is conferred even by implication, in a Territory. nonies in regard to the operaions of "woman's rights" in Wyaning, which he d no comment They are extracts from the mesinges of Governors of Wyoming to take the several Legislatures. They give the opinions of those Executives on the important subject of woman uffrage. This paragraph is taken from the message of Governor J. A. Campbell to the Legislative Assem "There is upon our statute book 'An act granting the women of Wy-oming Territory the right of suffrage and to hold office,' which has now been in force two years. Under its liberal provisions women have voted

the young lady surprised all who The Constitution says: "The Conwere present by her very creditable gress shall have power to dispose of and make all needful rules and regrendition of the part of Paulis and make all peedful rules and reg-ulations respecting the territory or other property belonging to the United States." Note the language: "to dispose of and make rules re-specting the territory as property, not as a colony of people to be governed, but simply as a piece of property to be "disposed of." Now I apprehend that if requires a very crooked, twisting, stretching construction to make the clause quoted confer muni-cipal authority, and I belleve when Congress delegates municipal func-tions to a territorial organization, that it has delegated a power that She displayed far more force than themselves in every respect with as much tact, sound judgment, and good sense as a man. While it would be claiming more than the facts justify to say that this experi-ment, in a limited field, has demon-strated beyond a doubt the perfect fitness of woman, at all times and fitness of woman, at all times and under all circumstances, for taking ity. Mr. Lindsay acquitted that it has delegated a power that it does not possess. I further behimself well as Claude, Mr. t does not possess.

lieve that every colony that forms itself in a Territory, that is, without the boundary lines of any State, has within itself all the elements and attributes of

sovereignty so far as its municipal affairs are concerned and that Con-gress has control of the [soil only and that the needful rules and regu-lations refer only to the proprietary rights of the United States, as re-cords the soil Emerson says from fine, the latter being a oughly artistic work, eliciting a long round of applause, which was well deserved. The music, under the leadership of Prof. Thomas, was also rights of the online States, as re-gards the soil. Emerson says 'you can not raise me up unless you stand on higher ground, Do we occupy loftier ground "than you? Who has the right to define right or wrong? Who are the infallible members of well worthy of commendation.

Honored in Israel.-A number of the city friends of Sisters Eliza R. Snow Smith and Zina D. Young Who has the attribute that the clergy assert belongs to God alone, that of judging? You have the same right to dictate to us that some

ever there is a branch of theChurch of us claim to have of dictating to you. Why, these very howlers are forever wrangling among themselves Sister Eliza Snow entered her 80th year last Sunday, and Sister Zina reaches the age of 62 on the last day

as to right and wrong. I think that we had better attend of the month; the time selected was to our own affairs and try to become between those dates, and a very honest and virtuous ourselves, be-fore we seek for objects for our rehappy time was enjoyed. The proformatory theories. ceedings were under the direction

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LATEST BY LIGHTBING. Fire in Omaha.

Gov. Hoyt's message of 1882 has







of Mis. Emmeline B. Wells. After congratulations and pleasant conversation, a fine satin cloak lined with plush was presented to Sister Eliza by Mrs. Zina Y. Williams who, in a brief but happy speech expressed the good wishes of the donors. Then a handsome de-k and

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N.B.--PURCHASERS WILL SAVE MONEY BY

CALLING ON US.

Nearly forty men are now in prison under this sentence, and the number bids fair to go on growing. With every in-crease, the moral effect of the pun-ishment is diminished-for arime, crease, the n like every other sort of misery, likes companionship to keep it in coun-

It is rather curious that, with the decline of the bellef in everinsting decline of the bellef in everinsting punishment in the future life, grows the unwillingness to pass the worst criminals on to what people now profees to regard as another stage of probation. Is it because people doubt the validity of their own rea-soning, that, like Voltaire and Dide-rot, they feel no certainty that there is no endless hell, and therefore in-cline to act as though there were is no endiess hell, and therefore in-cline to sot as though there were one? Or is it that both the disbelief in hell and the disues of capital pun-ishment have the same root,—more vivid appreciation of physical suffer-ing than of moral degradation?

is the foe of the life natural as well as the life spiritual.

WOMAN'S POLITICAL RIGHTS

THE Woman Suffrage Convention at Washington, D.C., adopted a res- Editor Descret News:

The woman summes conventors is twashington, D.C., adopted a resolution denouncing the proposition for the disfranchisement of the women of Utan for no crimes whatever, as "an evil display of power which lies in might alone;" so we learn from the press dispatches.
The supporters of the measure to deprive the women of Utah of the political rights they have enjoyed for twelve years or more, cannot advance a reasonable argument in its favor. It is designed merely to reduce the "Mormon" vote. It has no relation to the quistion of plural marriage, because ino woman that is or has been personally associated with the polygamic relation is now permitted to vote. The proposition was devised in the interest of a clique of persons who have been for some time attempting to gain posses sion and control of this Territory for plant this by fair means, so they
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There is no more reason for taking the franchise from the women of Utah than from the women of Wyoming. Our neighbor on the cast has gone farther in the direction of

"Woman suffrage, altho damaged the stock of Meyer &

"Woman suffrage, although resting on equity, supported by res-son and confirmed by experience, has hitherto gained but partial ac-ceptance as a principle of political philosophy. It commands more and more of public attention in many portions of our own land and in other countries whose political insti-tutions look toward freedom of the people. But to-day the new Terri-tory of Wyoming is the only spot on the earth where the political privi-ical with those of man. It was is hold and gallant stroke on the side of reason and of justice long delayed, that act of our first Legislative As-sembly; and what wonder that the eyes of the whole world have been turned on Wyoming ever since."

Pacific, one being that the consoliturned on Wyoming ever since." "Elsewhere, objectors persist in calling the honorable statute of ours dation measure will likely pass this session, and another is that a bill is

theft, has made a confession upon which the present inquiry is being conducted. The accounts are in a terrible condition, many of the books and papers being missing or muti-lated. The frauds were carried on by collusion between the receiving clerks and the auditors, the latter securing a proportion of the steal-ings. One of the auditors, Morrell, was traced to Washington.

NON-"MORMON" ON ANTI-POLYGAMY.

LEWISTON, Idaho, January 11th, 1883.

LONDON, —A Parls correspondent of the London Standard says, the French government is so disunited that it does not knowjwhat to do.

Alexandris, 26. — The British troops engaged in maneuvres yester-day in imitation of the slege of Cal-ro. The display gave rise to rumors among the natives, causing some excitement.

Ouban Slaves. Madrid, 26.-Representatives gress for papers and full information in relation to the gradual emaneipa-tion of slaves. They allege that the bill of 1880 is imperfectly carried out in Cuba.

The Ex-Empress.

California as there is in Balt Lake City? If they do not, their hus-band's must be sty old rakes. Of course it is not called polygamy, but then we do not always say spade when we mean spade. But we have the advantage of you, we do not marry our other wives and give them our names, and support their children and take care of them when the bloom fades from their cheeks. Paris, 26. — Imperialists declare that the ex-Empress was not re-quested to quit France, but left only because also feared the marks of sympathy she received might de-velop into a political demonstration and thereby compromise her friends. Among her visitors were Marshals McMahon and Canrobert.

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