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## ATTEND MEETINGS, THEN VOTE

Attention is called to the non-partisan conventions to be held in the various municipal precincts, for the purpose of nominating candidates for the Board of Education. The school election is important to the citizens, since the excellent results achieved in the educational line during many years of faithful labor and sacrifice can be destroyed in a short time by incompetence, or dishonesty. An effort is being made to carry bitter strife and contention into the schools by making the Board an anti-Mormon institution. If that attempt is successful, the next step will be to give employment in the schools only to those who can claim reward for services already rendered the "American" cause, which is essentially un-American; or who will promise future services to the party of false pretenses. If the tax-payers and voters desire to prevent this menace to the schools they must take an interest in the mass meetings called for the purpose of considering the nomination of candidates. They must select the best men, or women, available, and then come out and vote for them. The great question is whether the money of the people, intended for the education of the children, is to be used honestly for that purpose, or be paid out as tips for more or less dishonest work in the interest of crafty politicians.

The charge has been made repeatedly by the organ of malice, that the movement for non-partisan schools is directed in the interest of Church dictation. That organ has no other recourse than a dismal howl about something that does not exist in reality, whenever it deems it necessary to drive its servile followers in any given direction. It has no principles to defend. So it repeats ad infinitum its nursery tales about "hierarchies" and "Church dictation." This time the schools are said to be the object of such dictation. The lie was given to this charge at the first mass meeting held in the Fifth precinct, where Judge Henderson was unanimously re-nominated, in spite of the fact that he had publicly declared himself in sympathy with the so-called "American" party. If that does not prove the utter falsity as well as malice of the charge of intended Church dictation in the school elections, then facts prove nothing.

## LOOKING TOWARD THE FUTURE

A leading anti-Mormon sheet gives space and editorial endorsement to a literary effort, the purpose of which is to make it appear that it is not absurd to say that "the Mormon" chiefs will attempt to re-establish polygamy.

It will be observed that the author of that effort sounds a note somewhat different from the common alarm signal, with which the general public has become familiar. Time and again writers and orators have tried to make it appear that polygamy has already been established by the Authorities of the Church. On innumerable occasions the world has been informed, with more or less dramatic emphasis and accompanying blasts of oratory, that certain so-called pledges and promises made by the "Mormon" Church were kept sacred only a few years and were then broken; and that the present anti-Mormon crusade was commenced by certain individuals of a highly moral character, because it had become dreadfully apparent that polygamy was on the increase, that "Mormonism" was spreading in all directions and had become a menace to the American home. The re-establishment of polygamy was widely represented as a fait accompli, but now comes this contributor to the anti-Mormon discussion and tells the world, by indirection, that this is all wrong. Polygamy has not been re-established, but "it does not seem absurd to say that the 'Mormon' chiefs will attempt to re-establish polygamy," some time in the future. It would seem extremely absurd to say that, if the institution had already been re-established. The writer quoted has been about as successful in his effort as was the somewhat simple-minded gentleman who saved off the limb of the tree, on which he was comfortably seated.

It must be admitted, that it is safer to make a proclamation, than to utter an assertion referring to the present, when all the facts contradict the assertion. It is safer to predict a calamity than to say that it has already happened, when everybody knows it has not. Fake astrologers and soothsayers of all kinds know this, and therefore confine their false predictions to the domain of future possibilities. They feel that their reputation is reasonably safe as long as they speak only of the future. In the same way, when anti-Mormons fail to produce any proof whatever in support of their accusations, they can always shift ground and publish their charges in the form of predictions. Who can tell what may really happen in the distant future? If they were to say, for instance, that in an age yet to come, there will be no marriages at all in this world, or that polygamy will take the place of monogamy, or that all marital knots will be tied up in the air, in balloons, they would be just as safe, as far as contradiction by demonstration is concerned, as when they predict that polygamy will be re-established at

some time yet to come. What mortal man can bring proofs to the contrary? And who cares about what possibly may happen? The earth and the moon may collide, or the planets may be absorbed by the sun. What may not possibly happen? But the future can be safely be left to take care of itself.

The contributor to the anti-Mormon paper referred to bases his opinion as to the possible re-establishment of polygamy on a notorious falsehood, and this renders his opinion just as valuable as the falsehood itself, and no more. He says the Latter-day Saints in their souls resented the interference that prevented them from "living their religion." They went into quickness, he says, muttering revenge and prophesying a time in their lives when their enemies should come to naught. This is not true. The Latter-day Saints, from the first, took the position that the laws enacted at the investigation of anti-Mormons, whose purity of motive they had a right to question—laws, first against the contraction of plural marriages and then, many years later, against unlawful cohabitation, were unconstitutional. But when the constitutionality finally was established, they submitted, not sullenly and with their hearts full of plans for revenge, but cheerfully, as American citizens, in the spirit of integrity and humility, and they looked forward with pleasure to the era of good will and harmony between all the citizens of this state, that they had been led to believe would follow their acceptance of the so-called changed conditions. In that spirit they sustained the Manifesto of President Woodruff, by unanimous vote and without the least hesitation, because they were convinced that in so doing they were submitting both to the decrees of the government, and to the will of God. Nor have the Latter-day Saints broken any promises, or pledges, relating to that or any other subject. They have kept their side of the compact conscientiously. There was an understanding, perfectly clear to all interested, that as long as new polygamous marriages were not contracted by the sanction of the Church Authorities, old relations should not be violently disturbed, but time should be depended upon for the adjustment of the conditions prevailing. If, therefore, there has been any evidence of bad faith, it has been on the part of those who have endeavored to stir the nation up against the Latter-day Saints on account of a situation that is rapidly disappearing. They are the pledge-breakers and the enemies of peace. They, and not the "Mormons," deserve to have the brand of contempt put upon their brows. Being founded upon falsehood, the opinion of the anti-Mormon writer, to whom we have perhaps paid too much attention, is not entitled to any consideration whatever.

That opinion is, furthermore, contrary to the views others have expressed. Senator Dubois in 1903 was kind enough to give to the world his opinion, to the effect that polygamy was disappearing from this region. The following is from the Congressional Record, February 5, 1903:

"Mr. Hale. Then, it must follow from that, as the years go by and as the older people disappear, polygamy as a practice will be practically removed."

"Mr. Dubois. There is no question about it; and I will say to the Senator, owing to the active part which we took in the fierce contest in Idaho, with others who had made that fight thought we were justified in making this promise to the 'Mormon' people. We had no authority of law, but we took it upon ourselves to assure them that those older men who were living in the polygamous relations, who had growing families which they had reared and were rearing before the manifesto was issued and at the time when they thought they had a right under the Constitution to enter into polygamous relations—that those older men and women and their children should not be disturbed."

The facts prove the opinion of Senator Dubois as to the gradual disappearance of polygamy, to have been correct.

But it has been objected that the revelations on plural marriage have not been eliminated from the standard works of the Church. Neither have our Christian friends scratched from the Bible the passages referring to that subject, but that does not argue that the Presbyterians, for instance, are contemplating the re-establishment of plural marriages, some time in the future.

The anti-Mormon agitators have utterly failed to make good their charges against the Church as to this, present. But the agitation must be kept up. There is money in it. Hence the prediction as to what may happen in the future. That, too, is depended upon to keep the hell-fire of animosity and hatred burning in the hearts of dupes. Anything to keep "holy simplicity" busy carrying faggots to the burning pile.

## THE GREAT PYRAMID.

A contributor to the current number of Moody's magazine is of the opinion that the reason for the existence of the pyramids of Egypt has at last been found. He says some of the ancient Egyptian rulers accumulated so large fortunes and so rapidly that they were unable to spend even a small part of them. They were, therefore, placed under the necessity of inventing something on which to spend money, to escape the disgrace of dying rich, to use a modern phrase. Opportunities for expenditure were not so plentiful as they are at present. The multi-millionaires could not found libraries, since the general public were unable to read. The luxuries of life were fewer, and where a great number of the population consisted of slaves cared for by their masters, there was not such a demand on charities as there is in our age. Under the circumstances, we are informed, the ancient Egyptians took to building pyramids. The great captain of industry of that age devised the pyramid as an everlasting monument to his greatness. The labor thus spent was in no sense reproductive, and so he had found a gulf in which to throw the surplus of his enormous wealth, that had become an intolerable burden.

We confess that this theory appears poor indeed, when compared to another that sees in the Great Pyramid of Egypt a structure reared millenniums ago, according to a divine plan and by divine instruction, to be a monument for all ages and a witness to all generations of the existence of a living God.

As such a witness, very much needed in our age, it contradicts the so-called advanced thinkers who regard religion as an evolution of human thought, instead of a divine system of revelations. The Pyramid, whatever view may be taken of its origin and purposes, is a most notable work of architecture, and proves how far removed from savagery its builders were. Its testimony is that, at a far distant period when both history and tradition agree on the fact that the world had just emerged from an awful catastrophe—at a time, that is, when man, according to some modern theories, ought not to have been advanced far enough in his evolutionary development to conceive of such a building, much less to rear it, man was actually very far advanced in civilization. Where did civilization come from? If we are under the necessity of abandoning the belief that God in the infancy of mankind interfered to instruct and guide those who knew and worshiped him, there is no reasonable way of accounting for the monuments of a far remote antiquity, that are the wonders of the sages of the world in all ages.

Moses, we are told, was admonished of God when he was about to build the Tabernacle in the wilderness, to make it according to the divine pattern showed to him in the mount, for it was to serve as an earthly model, or representation, of heavenly things. This we know for a certainty, according to the sacred records. Why, then, should not some architect living long before the time of Moses have been instructed in a similar way, to rear the Great Pyramid? The other pyramids of Egypt may be feeble imitations of the first one, but there can hardly be any doubt as to the divine origin of the most stupendous and mysterious building probably ever reared upon the earth.

The "freak of nature," continues.

San Francisco shows a great desire to smite Schmitz.

The French authorities have barred American pork. America has always "barred" French wines.

William Dean Howells says there is no money in literature. And no literature often in what passes for it.

Chicago university not Yale would seem to be the right place for Professor Phelps.

"Count Boni says his" tears are countless. So are his debts. "Cleveland Plain Dealer. So is his countess.

When the Standard Oil company gets through with its fight with Uncle Sam, there may not be a grease spot of it left.

Having divided up its twenty-six million dollar surplus, the Pullman Palace Car company feel down on its "uppers."

Policeman Cain testified that he saw Signor Caruso pinch Mrs. Graham. And now the police are trying to "pinch" Caruso.

Frank Gould has sailed for Europe and says that he will bring back his sister Anna. It will be the return of the prodigal daughter.

In future when Caruso visits the Central Park monkey-house he will not come any monkey tricks with women visitors.

Many prominent Englishmen are being "mentioned" as Ambassador Durand's successor. In politics to be "mentioned" generally means not to be chosen.

Dr. Edward T. Devine says he does not believe that Mayor Schmitz stole a single penny from the San Francisco relief fund. Probably not, but like old dog Tray he was in very bad company.

"The rates are made by the communities served by the railroads," says Mr. E. H. Harriman. This certainly will be news to the communities "served by the railroads."

On the question of reconsidering his decision regarding the discharge of three companies of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, the President, like the Scotchman, is open to conviction.

Professor William Lyon Phelps says it would have been better for Rudyard Kipling's literary fame if he had died some years ago. It certainly would have been better for the professor's if he had never made the remark.

## THE GREAT SONG TOWN.

Philadelphia Record.

Philadelphia prints more than one-quarter of all the music in the United States, and the total amount of it is six times as great as it was 15 years ago. But, while Europe shows no such increase as that, this country's total output is still less than that of Leipzig, Germany, and less than that of several other European cities. In this city the amount of instrumental music printed used to exceed that of vocal music. This was due, it is said, to the cheapening of piano in recent years, and the popularity of banjo and guitar music. Now, however, the banjo, at least, has lost some of its popularity, and the gain in vocal music is about equal to the instrumental in quantity—is attributed to the current prevalence of musical comedies. In vocal music the comic and the sentimental keep about even. The gain in religious music has not been so great as that in other lines.

## HOTELS AMONG PYRAMIDS.

New York Tribune.

The Egyptian pyramids will probably lose much of their mysterious and legendary appearance in the near future. The Egyptian government has given permission for the erection of hotels in the vast plain stretching from Esbekieh to the Nile and covered with the ancient sphinxes and structures. Already several societies have been formed to avail themselves of the picturesque view for the building of large hotels. All around the pyramids of Gizeh there is to be erected real American skyscrapers from nine to ten stories in height.

## EXPERT TESTIMONY.

Detroit Free Press.

Alfred Binet, director of the physiological laboratory at the Sorbonne, Paris, has been investigating the value of handwriting "experts." An expert to whom was given a specimen of Ernest Hemingway's handwriting said the writer was a person of only moderate intelligence, credulous and glibly. Vital, a criminal, who murdered several wo-

men with revolting barbarity, appeared to another expert as "a timid girl, distinguished by moderation."

## JUST FOR FUN.

"What's the reason fat men are always so jolly and good-natured?"  
"Well, I dunno—I guess it's because it's so hard to make 'em mad clean through."—Cleveland Leader.

"You can trust Smithers. He's as honest as the day is long."  
"Do you notice how short the days are getting?"—Brooklyn Life.

The Brainy Girl—There isn't a thing you can do that I can't do and do better.  
The Pretty Girl—Except getting a seal in a crowded car.—Philadelphia Press.

Friend—You know Dubois; he's gone mad.  
Taller—You don't say so. He's one of my clients. I hope he'll be able to pay his account all the same.

Friend—No fear of that, my boy. He may be mad, but not that mad.—Hire.

## Referred to Mr. Carnegie.

Sarcasm, sarcasum, sarkasom, sarchasim, sarchasin, sarkasin sarkasim, sarcasum, sarkasum? Which is phonetic when you come to reflect upon it?—Louisville Courier-Journal.

## Too Swift.

Mr. Hearst is one of the few young men who went east to grow up with the country, but he didn't seem to quite catch the pace.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

## SALT LAKE THEATRE

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHTS.  
Saturday Matinee.  
MISS MAXINE ELLIOTT  
In the Clyde Fitch Comedy.  
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Direction Geo. J. Appleton.  
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