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JUDICIAL SALARIES.

As was expected by most of our lawyers and by ordinary students of American jurisprudence, the attempt to bring before a Federal court the question of the salaries of judges in the State of Utah has failed for lack of jurisdiction. Judge Marshall, as was predicted by many members of the bar, has dismissed the case, and the judges will continue to draw their salaries "as provided by law" at the last session of the Legislature.

The question of the alleged conflict between the application of the law to the incumbents and a provision of the State Constitution, has been argued pro and con and settled by the State courts. There the matter should rest, leaving Federal courts to settle questions arising under the Federal Constitution. Each have their own sphere and one should not invade or interfere with the other.

Then with the millions that are to be As to the right or wrong of the inspent on work on the canal, the Pancrease of payment for judicial services in Utah, we have several times ama people have prosperity secured for expressed an opinion. When the State | many years.

although they have not been able to secure a hall for public services, but have to hold their meetings in the houses of converts and friends who are willing to permit the Elders to preach therein. But even these endeavors have stirred up enough interest to invite newspaper notice, and also to exclie the usual kind of hostility from tectarian sources. The "Interview" in the Mail is writ-

ten up in a sarcastic yein, the young missionaries named are called Prophets" in a jeering way, some of the principles they advocate are corrootly stated, while others are perverted and were evidently misunderstood by the reporter, and disappointment is exhibited over the feilure to find what was expected in "Mormon doctrines about polygamy, which the writer

trankly acknowledges he supposed to he about all there was in Mormon The Elders he said denied utteris and emphatically the truth of the a

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legations contained in an article in the Evening Mail of October 17 On reading the article thus referred to we are not surprised at their repudiation of the whole concoction, for it is about the most absurd and villalnous mass of misinformation and direct falsehood that we have seen for some time. It is not only a victous distor tion of the Latter-day Saints' faith, but a continuous contradiction of historical facts, and shows that the compiler is entirely ignorant of the rise and progress of the "Mormon" Church, and of events well known in the United States. The Dublin Mail has ben imposed upon by some of the hireling preachers in that fine old city, who fear their "craft is in danger" from the presence and efforts of the young men who have

brought the light of truth to their doors. If that paper has any claims to fairness and liberality, it will afford those young missionaries an opportun. ity to defend themselves and their faith, with as much publicity as has been given to the tirade of abusive nonsense that nearly filled a column of the Mail, which is a yellow-tinted, blanket sheet of the ancient style, with eight pages, each measuring 23 by 24 inches,

THE NEW REPUBLIC.

and looks about a hundred years old.

As near as can be judged from the dispatches, the new republic of Panama is established. Even the government of Colombia seems to have recognized, to some extent, the secession government, for it has sent an envoy to negotiate with it, "to the end that national honor may be saved." This is strange indeed. It looks very much as if the secession was taken as a matter of course by the Bogota authorities.

Panama is a small republic. Its area is about half that of Utah, and the population is about that of this state. But it commences its career under extraordinarily favorable circumstances. Its public treasury will be filled up with American gold, as the money for the canal strip is being paid in. It needs not a large army, or a large navy, for Uncle Sam will keep the traffic over the isthmus open, and maintain peace, and he will also see to it that the neutrality of the country is respected.

is favored by an acknowledged expert on African affairs, is to connect the French possessions in north Africa with the French Congo. Starting from Bizerta, or "Bugura, it would reach Lake Chad by way of Blima; thence it would be taken to the bend of the river Ubangi, and it would have its terminus in Loango or Libreville, on the Atlantic coast. The construction of this line yould unlie the French possessions in

Africa, and it would make it possible for French central Africa to be defend-It is not strange that the large powers of the world take interest in rullcond construction, since Russia has shown them that, with a railroad as a pasts, provinces of the size of large empires can be obtained, without the

waste of powder, or the wholesale spilling of blood. Expansive as railroad building is, it is considerably cheaper than wars. Conquest by means of rallonds is likely to become more common, after the Maschurla affair that now ocupies universal attention.

THE FINANCIAL TEST.

The following story is published by the Boston Herald as an illustration of the methods by which modern char. atans make money. It is told on the uthority of Rev. Dr. Henson of Brookyn, who says:

There was a Baptist minister living There was a Baptist minister living in a rural town with a salary of \$600 a year. That minister had an epileptic son. His wife had come to have faith in Dowie, and after trying every other remedy, the minister and his wife ap-pealed to this healer. What did he do? He promptly asked them how much money they had. The good wife, anx-ious only for her son, said they would raise all they could. They sold their cow and raised \$60. The cow was the chief resource of the family, for it gave more milk than the congregation. They chief resource of the family, for it gave more milk than the congregation. They wanted to stay with a sister in Chica-go, but Dowle declared that it would never do. They'd have to stay with the elect if they wanted to be cured. That meant they had to board at the Dowle hotel at enormous rates. Well, they exhausted that \$60 and raised \$40 more then left Zion their how still the more, then left Zion, their boy still the same epileptic."

That, says Dr. Henson, is the way Dowie has accumulated his millions. It is only a sample case. We do not know anything about the

methods of Dowle, but it is cert in that the financial test is infallible when the question is of separating the false from

the genuine spiritual gifts. The principle established by the Savier was, to give freely what had been freely received. The first idea that occurs to pretenders seems to be to turn their gifts into money, They forget the burning rebuke Simon Magus received. when he thought that "the gift of God" could be purchased with money. They forget that it was the boast of Paul that he had "coveted no man's silver, or gold, or apparel." The financial test is certainly reliable.

Happy are those whose coal bins are full.

It's a poor politician who doesn't work both ways.

The State judges are to get their increased salaries. They are worthy of their higher.

The President is true to his first love -the Cuban reciprocity treaty. May his views prevail.

Salt Lake's election cost less than

for his immediate recovery, and his best wishes that the growth on his larynx may not be of the malignant nature that killed his father.

Insurance against appendicitis is the latest. It is undertaken by an English insurance company. Policies are issued covering appendicitis risks at the rate of \$1.25 a year for every \$500. The holder is guaranteed all the expenses of a medical, surgleal and nursing character up to the face of the policy in force at the time of treatment. The insurance will soon cover all allments in which the surgeon's knife is required, and it is needed, with the present price of surgical operations.

THE PANAMA REVOLUTION.

San Francisco Chroniele, 'Revolution" is the normal condition f affairs on the isthmus of Panama, of affairs on the istimus of Pahama, but the one which has just broken out differs from the usual run of 15th-mian revolutions in not alming at the control of the government of Colom-bia, but in complete separation from it. The motive doubtless springs from the realization that the 1sthmian passage is Colombia's most valuable commercial asset, and a desire to monopolize what-ever may be realized from it. "Isthever may be realized from it. "Isth-mian canal money for the isthmians" is the motto which the revolutionary ban-ners will bear, if they are not, like some other campaign banners, emblazoned with intent to deceive. St. Paul Globe.

No doubt this will reopen the canal negotiations. Panama will assent to con-ditions that we may choose to set. We will get better terms than we asked. Panama will get her canal. Colombia will lose all that she hoped to gain in the way of business and booty, and the most valuable part of her possessions besides. This is the apparent situation at the present time, and it is a pros-pect that will be welcomed with no re-grets. Panama has found the only possible solution of the vexatious canal rante mobiles route problem.

New York Mail and Express.

The attitude of the United States is one of delicacy. The avowal is oppor-tune that the withdrawal of Minister time that the withdrawal of Minister Beaupre from Bogota had no connec-tion with the domestic affairs of Co-lombia. But the very fact that the in-dependence of Panama would be of ap-parent advantage to the United States should make the government at Wash-ington scrupulously careful to preserve neutrality, while dutifully meeting the obligations of its old treaty with New Grenada

Butte Inter-Mountain.

As a general thing, a revolution which proposes to add another republic to the choice collection of mismanaged com-monwealths in Central America is bad. There are too many farcial republics and governments there now for the good of the land and for the developgood of the land and for the develop-ment of the resources. But in this in-stance there seems to be merit in the contention of the people of Panama that the only thing for them to do is to break away from the republic of Colom-bia and set up an independent state. The federal government of Colombia. for reasons that certainly may be ques-tioned, has rejected the canal treaty, on which Panama based its hope of future prosperity, and has utterly disregarded the real interests of the state and of the whole republic.

Los Angeles Times.

Los Angeles Times. The Isthmus of Panama has the se-cession fever raging in its veins again. Provided it gets away with merely enough territory to serve as a dite-way between the oceans, that will probably be about all our Uncle Samuel, of blessed memory, can util-ize in his business. Understand, we are not conniving at any secession schemes in any portion of the world. but in case Panama concludes the tie that binds her is becoming frazzled out, and that the hated connection with the other sections of Colombia can no



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employs any kind of talent and labor it should be willing to pay for it fairly. Excessive emoluments for public office are not to be encouraged. But parsimony is not true economy, and competent service cannot be obtainedfor salaries very much below those that can be secured by private efforts. Experienced lawyers with judicial minds are not so plentiful as some folks imagine, and they cannot be commanded, for very long, at the meagre stipend first provided for the judiciary in this State. The Constitution, in stating the figures, did so "until otherwise provided by law," and now that provision has been made, the matter has been fairly arranged and should be left undisturbed.

We notice in Law Notes for November a paragraph on this subject a portion of which we here append:

"The salaries of judges of most of the appellate State courts are much be-neath the market price for abilities which they are supposed to possess. We observe that the last General Assembly of Connecticut increased the salaries of judges of the Supreme Court of Er-rors from \$4000 to \$6000. A few years ago one of the judges of that court re-signed in order to resume a practice worth several times the amount of his salary. Another judge of the same worth several times the amount of his salary. Another judge of the same court, now deceased, was once seriously considering the advisability of resign-ing so that he might devote himself wholly to lecturing in a law school, whereby he was assured of a larger salary. salary.

Our State Constitution put, for the time being, the salaries of the supreme and district judges at three thousand dollars per annum with mileage added. The Legislature of 1903 raised the amounts to four thousand for district judges and five thousand for supreme judges without mileage in either case

It should be understood that the Utah case before the Federal court was not taken on the ground that the increase of salaries was excessive, or that the work required was not worth the money, or that the Legislature had no authority to make the raise, but turned on the point of the right of the judges who were in office when the law of 1903 was passed, to receive its benefits in face of a provision of the State Constitution which some lawyers construed as forbidding its application to those incumbents.

The judicial salary question, which many persons viewed as involving extravagance, not fully understanding the market value of legal and judicial services, was settled by act of the Leg-Islature. Application of the law to the present occupants of the judicial offices, may be viewed as settled by the courts, It is not of sufficient financial importance to agitale further, nor do we think it is so now as a polat of law.

THE WORK IN DUBLIN.

The Dublin (Ireland) Evening Mail of Oct. 24, 1903, contains a long ac4 county of an interview with Elders Heber J. Burgon and Edwin Cox, mizsionaries from Utah, who are laboring in the Irish capital. It appears that great deal of Interest in a projected

The wonder is not that they seceded, when they found that the government of the republic falled to look after their interests. It would have been a wonder had they not taken some extraordinary step to secure the canal route which was about to be given to Nicaragua.

By the treaty of 1846 with what was then New Granada, the United States agreed to guarantee the neutrality of the isthmus, "with the view that the free transit from the one to the other sea may not be interrupted or embarrassed in any future time while this treaty exists, and in consequence the foot, 100. United States also guarantee, in the same manner, the rights of sovereignty and property which New Granada has and possesses over the said territory." How this last clause to to be interlittle lamb? preted, in the light of recent events, is not perfectly clear, but it does not appear that this country undertook to

A FALSE PREDICTION.

protect the republic against revolu-

tions.

A Chicago university professor has taken occasion to make a prediction regarding the future of the Central American republics. He says that by 1910 Panama will belong to the United States. The example of that country will be followed, he says, by the other Central American states and the West Indies and Mexico, and finally Canada

will become a part of the United States through annexation. By 1940 the United States and North America will be the same, he thinks. Chicago professors are noted for ec-

centric saylugs, and this must be one of them. But the professor should not speak too loud on such a subject. For there are so many good people in this country, whom the thought of the extension of American civilization and American principles of government causes intense pain. They feel hart to think of the possibility of the American itag and what that beautiful symbol stands for being accepted by nations. They want the flag "hauled down" wherever it is practical to do so, Professors should not hurt their feelings by predictions of the rapid expansion of American liberty, and self-government. Besides, the prediction made by this particular professor, cannot be fulfilled It is absurd. The republic of Panama may, possibly, at some time conclude that it would be to its advantage to exlist as a state of our Union, Instead of as a small independent republic, and eventually other Contral American republics may also decide to ask for closer relations with this country; but

as for Mexico and Canada, the probability is entirely against the learned Chicago historian. As a statement of a very remote possibility, the prognotication may pass, but as prophecy it is beforehand doomed to failure.

CONQUEST BY RAILROAD.

Frenchmen are said to be taking a they are meeting with some success, | rallway through Sahara. The route that | he has the sympathy of the whole world

two thousand dollars. And it was worth every cent of it.

Buffalo Bill is going to have his Samson locks taken off. His strength, like that of Samson, lays in them.

The singular thing is that while the government at Bogota also has known of the state of things on the isthmus it has not prepared itself in any proper way to cope with the serious discontent existing there. When Gov, Obaldia was appointed several monits ago to repre-With cold weather coming on and a strike in Colorado, the coal men feel they have something to be thankful for.



always a bed of roses. Austria and Russia are not satisfied with the Sultan's reply to their latest note. That's all right. He was not

satisfied with the note. Mr. Bryan does not propose to abide by the decision of the Connecticut court. He believes that where there's a will there's a way.

For Colombia the title was at the flood when the Hay-Herran treaty was before the Bogota congress, And she neglected to take advantage of it.

Dowie described the last audience he addressed in New York as "scrawney and miserable." It was not a very complimentary remark for a man daunting the pretensions he does to make.

If the Colorado coal miners will only boy the law as well as they obeyed abor leaders who ordered them out on strike, there will be no trouble in the contennial State.

And now the sontimental roaiden will re about the house repeating "O the now, the beautiful snow!" when she sould be much better employed helping n the kitchen.

Representative Hitt wants the Presitent to lay before Congress all corres. condence and other official documents relating to the recent revolt on the Isthmus of Panama. The public wants the documents, Hitt or miss,

A New York physician advertised for right ear; price, five thousand dol ars. He had a hundred and fifty offers. Rallroads don't pay near that price for legs and arms when they mutilate a man. This car price is extortionate.

Once Emperor William was looked upon as the menace of the peace of Europe. That time has long since passed and now he is regarded as its best conservator. In his present semi-illness longer be maintained in peace and bar-mony, we will be willing to dig a ditch in her midst provided she can preserve the peace and secure an abstract of secure an abstract of title to the real estate. Chicago News.

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