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THE "MORMON" PRIESTHOOD.

One of the speakers at the Ensign Stake conference, Elder W. W. Ritter, during the course of his remarks called attention to the fact that the ecclesiastical officers of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints are different from those of other churches in this respect that they do not form a sacerdotal, clerical class; they are dependent on their daily toil for their living, like any other citizens.

The remark was suggested by the reading of the names of the Elders sustained as the officers of the Ensign Stake. Among them were lawyers, railroad men, blacksmiths, merchants, clerks, etc., in short, men from all walks of life. It is so with all the officers of the Church.

It is difficult for our Christian friends to understand this peculiarity of the Priesthood of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, although they know that it was the boast of the Apostle Paul that he made his living with his own hands, and the general misunderstanding on this subject has been taken advantage of by persecutors, to create prejudices against the Church and her officers. The epithet "hierarch" is freely used for this purpose, although it is ridiculously absurd to apply that term to a member of the "Mormon" Priesthood. It would be just as applicable to a Sunday school teacher, a Christian Endeavorer, or a Methodist class leader, who makes his living in a secular calling, but is engaged in church work as time and circumstances permit.

Those who most diligently labor to create a hostile sentiment against the men that unselfishly devote much of their time and talents to the ministry know, however, that this is the truth. They know that they are manufacturing and circulating falsehoods, but, like the archfiend himself, they are not satisfied, unless they can seduce others to follow them on the road they have chosen. The wonder is that men or women professing to be Christians are not more careful about following such leadership, since people are generally known by the company they keep.

AS SEEN BY STRANGERS.

The Californians who, some time ago, honored this city with their presence, seem to be as unanimous as they are lavish in their praise of Utah, and the people here. As a rule they seem to have taken little, if any, notice of the exploits of the plotters, fully understanding the motives and appreciating them at their real value.

We have before us a clipping from a San Bernardino paper, containing an interview with Mayor H. M. Barton, and Mr. L. P. Houghton, of that city, who charges all that the visitors have said of Utah by way of eulogy.

But Mayor Barton also spoke of the opportunities of development to be noticed here during his brief stay, and especially the wealth of water that is permitted to go to waste here. In Utah people sometimes have an impression that all the water there is, is now utilized, and that there is very little room for growth, particularly in the valleys first settled. It is therefore of much interest to note what observant visitors think of our resources. Mayor Barton is quoted as follows:

"They waste more water than they use there, and if they should conserve it as we do here, they would be able to irrigate three times as much, and of course that they will come, and the population and the products of Utah will then be correspondingly increased."

"They may have them, but I did not see a cement canal or reach of an underground pipe line, any place, the water being used in open ditches, and with no device whatever. I talked with one man who told me he had owned 20 acres of land near one of the towns south of Salt Lake, and a water right for it, being one of the oldest water rights in Utah."

"I asked him how much water he had with his 20 acres and he told me 200 inches—enough to float it all off down into the Jordan river."

"In California that 200 inches would be made to do service on 2,000 acres of land, and when they come to take care of every drop of water that comes out of those Utah mountains, the extent of production can be imagined."

"And, too, I marvel that they have not taken up the water in the streams for power purposes. In our trip up Ogden canyon, we saw a magnificent river come tearing down

through that rocky gorge, tens of thousands of inches of water at a rapid fall, that might be put into pressure pipes and enough power generated to turn all the machinery of Utah. I told them that would not long lie out of doors in California.

"But it is a wonderfully rich valley. They are just cutting their first crop of alfalfa, and get about four tons to the acre—think of that in California. I could almost understand the quandary of that farmer who feared he must rent land of a neighbor to stock his hay on, for the shocks are so thick in the field that it is difficult to drive between them."

BAD BUSINESS.

A correspondent informs the "News" that a fellow has just been passing through the county in which he lives, and succeeded in swindling not a few farmers, by selling goods to them and charging more than double its real value. The fellow, according to the letter, represents himself as the agent of an association of manufacturers who have broken loose from the trusts and he says they are going to establish a branch house in Utah in the near future. He mentions leading business men of our state as his patrons.

After telling all about how they have been induced to come here by promises of money, and how they, the business men, have invited his company here, because the people of Utah and Idaho pay more for their goods than the people of any other community, he brings in a few of the samples of goods his company makes and sells direct to the consumer. After showing several patterns of clothing, and quoting very low prices, he comes down to some cloth which he represents as English made, sent to this country to exhibit at the World's fair. He states it came in free of duty and after the fair their superintendent purchased a large quantity at less than manufacturing cost and would now sell it and give the people the advantage as long as it lasted. He shows two pieces of cloth, which, when made into suits are worth \$120. He then shows and spreads out four or five other pieces which he throws in, all for the \$120. All the call-cos, gingham, etc., he showed as samples of what his company manufactures, are also thrown in for the one price, and he gets his customer to sign a note.

Such is the information sent to the "News," with the suggestion that its readers be cautioned against throwing money away on valueless goods. We know nothing of the particulars case referred to by our correspondent, but we recollect a similar case, some years ago, a friend invested in packages of cloth, and supposed he had struck a bargain. When he brought some of the goods to a tailor to have it made into a suit, the honest tailor advised him to take it home again, because the clothes would not be worth the cost. As a general rule, it is not prudent to deal with entire strangers, particularly if only their word is to be authority for the quality of the merchandise. It is better to give the trade to local business men, well known and reliable. Their interest is with the place in which they lived. They pay their taxes, and they contribute liberally for charitable purposes, and enterprises that have the progress of the community for their object. They are worthy of patronage. Competition is so keen that there is little danger of responsible business houses charging any more than their merchandise is really worth. Such considerations should have weight with the general public. All should understand that the best policy for citizens is to mutually sustain one another, in business, and not experiment with persons who pretend to undersell everybody, or give great values for almost nothing.

IN MANCHURIA.

The old saying that there is no ill wind that does not blow good to somebody, is illustrated in the benefits the war in eastern Asia has brought to Manchuria. It is estimated that the Japanese have spent fully \$50,000,000 there. They are now employing in that Chinese province a hundred thousand Chinese coolies and ten thousand cart drivers, involving a daily outlay of \$30,000, the pay of a coolie being one yen, or 50 cents, a day, and of a cart 8 yen, or \$1.40 a day. This totals up to \$2,700,000 monthly, or \$14,200,000 for the next half year, if the war lasts so long. All sorts of expenditures considered, the "Chuo-Shimbun" reaches the conclusion that another year of war will put \$75,000,000 of Japanese money into Manchuria.

Russian expenses are, in all probability, still larger, and it is evident that the seat of war is receiving financial benefits through the circulation of money there, but for the war, would have been forced into other channels. This, however, is not an argument in favor of war. If the same sums were spent on road-building and other improvements, the benefits would be still greater.

TO SAVE THE BIRDS.

The President of the National Association of Audubon Societies, Mr. Will Ham Dyer, has issued a call for aid of the work of the society for the preservation of the sea birds along our coasts. He calls attention to the fact that scarcely more than a generation ago the buffalo ranged the western plains in almost countless numbers, but that this noble animal was exterminated by man for the sake of the dollars received for the hides. Another species of animals, he says, is also being recklessly destroyed. He refers to the flocks of wild geese which at one time were so numerous in this country. The sea birds, we are told, are in danger of a similar extermination, unless the intelligent American people take steps for their preservation.

The sea birds gather in colonies during the breeding season, and are therefore in great danger from their enemies. Formerly large colonies have been destroyed in a single season. They can be saved only by placing at the colonies during the breeding season, energetic and faithful wardens, who will guard them during the months when the birds

are brooding their eggs. The Audubon Association employs such wardens, and the public are urged to aid the association with the necessary funds in order to make this work efficient.

The work of the society certainly deserves encouragement. From every point of view it must be considered desirable to preserve the beautiful sea birds that enliven our coast lines and inland lake shores. They fulfill an important part in the economy of nature, and cannot be slaughtered without serious consequences. They act as scavengers, and for that reason alone, if for no other, they should be taken care of. They are killed for their feathers that are wanted for entirely useless ornaments, and their eggs are also hunted, but neither is of sufficient value to warrant the extermination of the beautiful and useful birds.

A sane Fourth would be a glorious Fourth.

Even scandals come through Philadelphia's River plant.

Mayor Wagner knows how to manage a Durham bull in a china shop.

It is very hard for the Car and his advisers to say: "Let us have peace."

The birth rate in New York grows each year. Another triumph for Roosevelt!

If "public office is a private snare," what kind of a snare is office in the Equitable Life?

A circus without a street parade would be like "Hamlet" with the Prince of Denmark left out.

Already majority candidates are being talked of. Can't we have a sane summer and a sane Fourth?

Germino is to preach at a summer camp meeting this summer. As a "terrible example" he would be hard to beat.

President Elliot advises a man always to associate with his superiors. In the last analysis will not the superiors stand alone?

The "official interpretation" of the Car's address to the zemstvo shows the difference between Nicholas drunk and Nicholas zemsky khor.

"Men who stay at home every night are not good for anything," says Dr. Julia Smith. Neither are men who stay out every night. So there you are.

Princeton university has given Mayor McClellan the degree of LL. D., with the comment that he is the best mayor New York ever had. That is taking the degree cum laude.

The President wants to abolish red tape in all government departments. So does everybody else but the red tape statesmen who would not be recognized as statesmen except for their red tape.

The Yale senior who was dismissed for "drinking," got his just deserts. Of course he might have pleaded precedents in abundance which would only have made the matter worse. It is a dishonest practice and would never be indulged in by a really high minded student. The best part of a college education is usually a high standard of ethics. This senior did not have it, it seems. His expulsion will serve as a warning to all who engage in the practices in which he was caught.

The threatened boycott by the merchant guilds of China of American made goods is having a very salutary effect on this country. It is awakening the public conscience to the very harsh enforcement of the Chinese exclusion laws, and the almost barbarous treatment of the Chinese. The President and his cabinet have discussed the matter, and he has determined that Chinese coming to this country and who are entitled to enter twenty right, shall be better and more fairly treated. Towards the Celestials this country has not acted very much like a Christian or a civilized nation. A change for the better is coming and the sooner it comes the better.

THE SUSPICIOUS PAGANS.

Kansas City Star.
It is reported from Washington that Japan distrusts Russia so thoroughly that it is not willing to make peace terms until it is certain that the Car is in earnest. The Russian reply to the President's proposal implies certain reservations and Japan fears that the St. Petersburg government is merely sparing for time. Of course, Japan is only a poor heathen nation, while Russia is a Christian land, the representative of enlightened Christianity and regards the present conflict as a "holy war." But the Mikado understands that it is considered quite legitimate among "civilized" people to catch your adversary napping and to cheat him if you can. That is the doctrine proclaimed by some of the most highly respected business men of America and Europe.

LIMIT OF ENTHUSIASM.

Washington Star.
"I have heard of many cases of enthusiasm over the Japanese victories on land and sea," remarked an officer at the War Department, "but by far the worst case of the kind that has come under my notice is that of a man in this city who announced that he had fully determined to name his new son after the Japanese hero, Togo Oyamato."

ONE OF PEACE'S VICTORIES.

Baltimore American.
As a pacifier and an Americanizer, the army in the Philippines is yielding to the school system. The army may be conquering the Moros, but the schools are making good American citizens.

THE REPORT OF DR. PETERS.

Boston Herald.
According to the just published report of Dr. Austin Peters, the chief of the cattle bureau, hydrophobia for the first few years has occurred so seldom in Massachusetts as to be practically unknown, although this statement may have to be modified somewhat if the cases recently reported from Lowell shall prove to have been cases of real hydrophobia. Glaucoma, on the other hand, is a serious evil in this state. Three men died of it in 1904, and there were nearly 1,000 cases among horses. The disease is disseminated by unscrupulous dealers, and

Dr. Peters warns the public, especially the rural public, to avoid "bogus club stables, unknown ice companies, unheeded express companies that never existed, except in the imaginations of the advertisers," and last, but not least, "widow ladies." Dr. Peters seems to be something of a humorist as well as a scientist.

PEACE BEST FOR ALL.

Houston Transcript.
How quickly business responds to peaceful conditions is shown by the fact that the head of the American syndicate formed for the purpose of securing street railway franchises in St. Petersburg has started for that city, on the strength of the recent peace news. This syndicate of New Yorkers and other capitalists was formed before the Russo-Japanese war, but was abandoned at the outbreak of hostilities. As something like \$5,000,000 of American capital was invested in the project, the war has had the effect of keeping this out of the country. Some kinds of crafty syndicates may thrive even on war and destruction and distress widespread, but the solid aggregations of capital used in improvements and development enterprises which are needed for the permanent well-being of a country and its people avoid it when that country goes into expensive warfare.

DISTRICT DID NOT PAY.

Milwaukee Wisconsin.
If Japan and Russia had been capable of trusting each other they would not have gone to war. It may be that they are not yet capable of trusting each other enough to conclude peace.

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