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A CALL FOR CONSERVATISM.

Not a city in the Union, of similar population, has a better school system with better school buildings than has the metropolis of Utah. In the amplitude and excellence of its educational facilities accessible to the children of the masses, this city is not surpassed, if it is equaled, by any of similar size in the United States. The example which it has set in this regard is being followed by many of the larger towns of the Territory. Logan has a number of public school buildings which, in size and cost, are about of the age, size and wealth of the town. Brigham City has always been in the van of educational progress. Tooele is rivaling any other town of her size in the Territory, and the spirit of school house building, and of school improvement, has been epidemic all over Utah for several years.

So far has this spirit been carried that conservative men are beginning to declare in favor of checking it. It is being characterized as an educational "boom," which, like many other feverish affections of the body politic, is likely to react unfavorably on the public welfare. It is insisted that statements, widely circulated throughout the civilized world, derogatory to the intelligence and educational status of the people of Utah, have greatly excited their pride and ambition in respect to education, and that, in order to vindicate themselves they have assumed burdens of debt and expense that are out of proportion to the wealth and population of the Territory, and of its municipalities.

The recent discussion of the subject of a union of the University and Agricultural College has given the people a better understanding than they ever had before of the cost of advanced education and the information has tended to strengthen the popular sentiment in favor of retrenchment. It is being asked why salaries in public educational institutions should be paid salaries that exceed those of some of our highest public officers, and it is being urged that Utah might not fairly rival Cornell and Ann Arbor, or other great seats of learning, in the order, wealthier and more populous states, in the capacity or usefulness of even the principal educational institution of the Territory.

The state of the Territorial treasury, and the financial condition of the people generally, invite a continuance of such a wise policy in educational affairs as has prevailed for some time past. Retrenchment is demanded. Conservatism is called for. Economy is in order. The rapid progress that has been made, and the extraordinary efforts that have been put forth in improving and enlarging educational facilities amply justify some moderation for the immediate future at least.

A few members of the Legislature appreciate the public needs and sentiment in relation to this matter, and will vote and voice will support a conservative policy in respect to overburdening the people for educational purposes.

ABOLISH GRADE CROSSINGS.

The efforts of the Chicago city officials to abolish all railway grade crossings in the municipality the fair to be crowned with complete success. The opposition from the railways is not pointing near as great as was anticipated. Some of the lines have given the project their full support, their statement being that while there will be some expense attending the change, this will be more than offset by the reduced liability of the railways to accidents and to damages for injury to life and limb.

The plan being carried out is to raise the tracks wherever practicable so that at street crossings the roadway and sidewalks shall pass beneath the railway tracks. Where the raising of the line is not considered, the street is to be graded up and pass over the line on a substantial bridge. All new tracks are to conform to this arrangement, and a reasonable time is allowed for changes in those already in operation. This will effect practically complete freedom from the public for the railways except at the regular stations.

At some time in the not future we look to see the same idea considered and adopted for the benefit of both the people and the railways in Utah. A law this would inflict any steam railway from entering any town or city on a grade crossing, and that would provide for the abolishing of every one crossing on a public road, would be a benefit to the whole community. The system is expensive, it is true, but it works satisfactorily elsewhere, and could not but do so here. The chief difficulty would be in a change for time already done in the states, and this could be overcome by gradual work without entailing unnecessary expense on the railway companies. Where the lines cross public highways, the road could be made to pass either over or under the tracks without difficulty, and certainly without the danger that exists under the present system. Already there have been too many lives lost through railway grade crossings, and the heart bitterness will pass with confidence be removed by action of the kind suggested. It is not too early to consider the inauguration of the new system in Utah, for the benefit of the railways as well as for the safety and good of the public.

THE SECOND DISTRICT.

In the latest issue of the Silver Cousins appears a very pleasant article of the marked improvement in court matters and in the condition of local business generally which has recently taken place in the Second judicial district of this Territory. We are glad to see the statement and to reproduce it in our own columns, for it shows how much the News has been accurate when it has in the past in contrast a remedy and vindicate the grievances of those who live and do business in that section of the Territory. The Cousins pays a generous tribute to the uprightness of Judge Boyce and the able and conscientious of Prosecuting Attorney Judd, to both of whom it gives the credit for the improvement. This we are also quite ready to believe; and to all the deserved compliments paid the honorable judge upon his efforts to expedite business, to secure the right kind of jurors, and to promote the ends of justice, the News is pleased to add its sincere endorsement.

TO BRIDGE THE CHANNEL.

The frequently suggested plan to connect England with the continent has again been made the subject of discussion by those interested. A French engineer, M. Hersent, submits his design for a giant bridge over the channel. The proposed structure will be twenty-one miles long and composed of seventy-three spans, and rower 177 feet above high water. The piers are of steel column resting upon masonry. Seven years will be needed for the completion of the work and the cost is estimated at $112,500,000.

The idea of bridging the channel, or constructing a tunnel from Dover to Calais has had many advocates among eminent engineers on both sides of the water, but the general public in England has never shown any enthusiasm for the project. Yet it would facilitate and greatly increase the intercourse between France and England beyond doubt. The water that separates the two countries has the reputation of being neither trying to those in travelers. Besides, international communication by sea never assumes the same proportions as that by rail. As it is, England enjoys practically the full benefits of the position as an island. A bridge or a tunnel would materially alter this condition. The very novelty of the thing would draw traffic from the Continent and the Englishman would take his work by preference to be the first to cross that bridge, and tourists from all parts of the world would even go out of their way in order to get the experience of crossing the ocean, or diving under it, as it were, in a refined way. This late increased traffic and consequent social intercourse would exercise a lasting influence upon both nations much to the advantage.

But the plan is not yet matured and the question is whether Great Britain will consent thereto. Objections have formerly always been based on military grounds. It has been asserted that such a means of communication would facilitate the invasion of a hostile army, although it would seem that with the means of destruction now known, nothing would be more than to prevent an enemy from taking advantage of either a bridge or a tunnel of this length. The tendency of the age is to improve communication in every way possible, to save time and escape all obstacles of both time and space. The connection of these islands with the mainland would be another in steps of progress in the interest of the general brotherhood of the human family.

OVERDRESS TITLES.

That was a memorable scene which was simultaneous in the San Francisco papers by Miss Jessie Bonstelle last night, as she, at the opening of one of her houses, [illegible] gives [illegible] with joy not only of the [illegible] interest in her but by the [illegible] generally as well as a good many people in the West. It was unfortunate [illegible] that too numerous and city sated of most of the [illegible] of applying titles [illegible] to people brought into a little prominence, regardless of the [illegible] whatever of the persons [illegible] to be entitled to the alleged honor [illegible] Miss Bonstelle. With the scarcity of people in the West there is little indication of aristocracy in the [illegible]. It is Colonel Folger of Malt Tree, or James Brandon, whom in [illegible] the [illegible] of the Missouri Pacific, [illegible] of and with offices in Salt Lake City. To these gentlemen we are accordingly indebted for the courtesy.

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PARLIAMENTS, DIETS AND CONGRESSES.

Americans are sometimes inclined to digest, when speculation of legislative distributing and conferences of called congress are thrown before their eyes, over the fact that our national Congress seems to have become too large and unwieldy to transact intelligently the business that calls it together. As a matter of truth, however, the American Congress is quite small, comparatively speaking, when the extent of the union and its diversity of interests are considered with other countries where popular representation is permitted in a central law-making body. Look across the Atlantic, for instance, at the country with which we are most closely connected. The total membership of both houses of the British parliament is 1,328, or in proportion to the population, about one M. P. for one United States congressman. The parliament of the United Kingdom is the largest representative body in the world. In the house of lords there are 553 peerage entitled to sit, and in the house of commons there are 670 members. France, in its corps legislatif, has 591 senators and 548 deputies. Italy has a varying number of senators and 508 deputies. On the other side of the Pacific, Japan has 300 peers and 300 representatives. Turn Germany, in its parliament, or reichstag, has 58 members, but in reichstag has 397 members. Austria's diet has 351 members. Nearer home, Canada has a senate of 87 members and a house of commons of 215 members.

"HOT STRINGS, ARK."

Truly this is an age of legislation, [illegible] and [illegible] advertising, and equally true is it that in this line of business the railroads stand at the very head of the class. It has been the News' pleasure to note from time to time regular and novel efforts in this direction, and now the mighty Union Pacific wishes it made a fact that it has not done the things here noted, in a recent production. Those who have been favored with a copy of "The Discovery of Hot Springs, Ark., by De Soto," will need no assurance from us that the Mr. De Soto is well-founded. Pretty as a valentine, gay in its colors lofty in tone, is the fairy booklet referred to. Its general style is in colors and shapes, its [illegible] is [illegible] and elegant, its typography and illustrations are the possession of the essential skill and artistic in the highest degree. Its fictions never had a more general presentation of its claims to popularity. In this never had a more fetching treatment, and the Union Pacific never had a more plain statement than the facts brought to the notice of journal and [illegible] reader. Pass some saying the world wide the News are indebted for the name of E. V. Dixon, commercial freight and passenger agent, and Harry Potter, traveling freight and passenger agent, of the Union Pacific, who are accordingly [illegible] for the courtesy.

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