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Gov. Samuel W. Pennypacker, who in his message to the Pennsylvania Legislature urged the enactment of a law empowering the State to suppress any newspaper that persists in the publication of libelous and untruthful statements, has figured before as an advocate of similar legislation. In giving his approval to the "Quay" libel law, May, 1903, he expressed sentiments much like those in his last message, and raised a storm that spread beyond the bounds of the Keystone State. He is a descendant of Hendrick Pennepacker, who was a surveyor for the Penna. and other Dutch ancestors who came to this country in the early part of the seventeenth century. He was elected Governor in November, 1902. Previously he had been judge of the Court of Common Pleas in Philadelphia. He is 62 years old.

Mrs. Maria Weed, whose anti-Mormon lectures, under the auspices of the International Council of Women of New York, have stirred the country on account of the Smoot senatorship hearing, is a Chicago woman who has made a deep and searching study of the Mormon question. It was she who first called attention to the Mormon oath placing the church above citizenship, and it was she who exposed the Mormon doctrine of the marriage of living people to the dead. She also declares that the Mormons allege that both Jesus Christ and George Washington were Mormons, and employ that piece of mendacity as an argument for the conversion of people to-day.

August Belmont, the new president of the National Civic Federation, is one of the foremost men of affairs in America. As head of the firm of August Belmont & Co., the American representative of the Rothschilds, his interests are of great magnitude and widely diversified. He is president, trustee or director in no fewer than thirty-five corporations, employing many thousands of men. He was born in New York in 1853 and was graduated from Harvard in 1875. Perhaps his greatest single achievement has been to give New York its new rapid transit underground railway system, being president of the company and advancing \$30,000,000 in its construction.

Mme. Stoessel, wife of the valiant defender of Port Arthur, is not less heroic in her temperament than her husband. When the investment of the fortress was impending, Mme. Stoessel was given the opportunity to return to Russia, but she declared that she would on no account leave her husband. To show that she could be of use to the beleaguered garrison she took charge of the ambulance service, and under her direction it became markedly efficient. She exhibited so much unselfishness and devotion to the welfare of the troops that the men regarded her as a veritable good angel.

Luther Burbank, who has just evolved a new flower, everlasting as to petals and fragrance, is the most famous naturalist in the world. It is said of him that he is to horticulture what Edison is to electricity. On his farms at Santa Rosa, Cal., he has developed many new flowers, fruits and vegetables, besides adding new tints to old blossoms, and giving to LUTHER BURBANK, the lily the odor of a Parma violet. Mr. Burbank was born in Lancaster, Mass., in 1849, and moved to California in 1875. He is unmarried.

J. W. Muffy of Des Moines has written a history of the One Hundred and Forty-eighth Pennsylvania volunteers. He was adjutant of the regiment. Charles Boese, inventor of a new process of photoculpture which, it is said, will revolutionize photographic art, has established a studio in Rome. Graham K. Meien, son of President Mellen of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, is a stenographer in the employ of the company.

Gen. William J. Palmer, founder of Colorado Springs, having expended \$750,000 on a park, is now building an equestrian and pedestrian trail into some of the grandest scenery of the Rocky mountains. Congress recently awarded the surviving heirs of the Six Nations \$2,000,000, and former President Andrew Johnson is in Washington to see that no half-breeds get any of it. A movement is on foot to erect a monument to "Dixie" Emmett, a minstrel, the author of "Dixie."

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