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#### A VICTORY AND A PREDICTION.

ITCHELL is still a name to conjure with. It was the name, and it was it alone, that won at the Republican primaries held yesterday and it won against an able and energetic opposition and with a preponderance of votes which should be a matter of pride and satisfaction to every one of the senior senator's adherents. The name won the victory, too, in the face of a constantly growing element in this city which denounces the unholy alliance which exists between the city administration and the gamblers, an alliance which is producing more demoralization in our public life than all other

But for this one time the voting public apparently decided not to allow that matter to enter into their calculations. They judged the powers that be simply by the record which they have made in the county administration, which on the whole is good, and adding to that the name of Senator Mitchell they extended a vote of confidence that is unmistakable in its heartiness.

But if the Mitchell men for a moment imagine that this action with indifference are now waking to an appreciaaside all opposition. If the Mitchell people, notwithwhich they will suffer next year will fall little short of annihilation.

The Journal wishes thus to go on record as a prophet,

### HEALTH, MORALITY AND OREGON APPLES

OHN T. STENSON, director of pomology at the Louisiana exposition, has expressed the opinion that apple eating is conducive not only to health but to morality; that the free and frequent use of raw apples is not only hygenically beneficial but has a restraining effect upon injurious and vicious appetites and passions. This opinion has called forth a multitude of comments by the press, some serious and more humorous; but the general discussion aroused can scarcely fail to be beneficial to apple growers, if not to the human race, on account of the greater quantity of apples that will be consumed in con-

Professor Stenson's theory, or part of it at least, is not new. Whether or not apple eating tends to restrain the craving for alcoholic stimulants, which seems not unreasonable, notwithstanding the hard cider and apple jack of memory, it has long been believed by those best qualified to express an opinion that ripe, sound apples are "healthy." While but slightly nutritious directly, they serve, as nothing else so well does, except possibly kinds of fruit not so easily and continually obtainable by all, a useful purpose in man's physical economy. With their carbohydrates they help to make a more balanced diet than the average person indulges in. The apple acts particularly on the liver, and so may be not only an excellent and cheap substitute for mudbaths and bottled aperients, but may also tend to modify the asperities and soothe the rising passions which cause so many people to live disagreeable and uncomfortable but not protracted lives. Very likely, also, this professor is correct in his farther deduction that the habitual and liberal use of apples is conducive to temperance, and therefore antagonistic to crime and misery. It seems to be generally conceded that partakes of fruit, especially apples, and that, vice versa, the large apple-eater is seldom addicted to strong drink;

Whether on this theory, or for the benefit of apple-grow- then, it may reasonably be supposed, they would decrease. ers, there is to be an apple-day at the St. Louis exposition, These "accidents," which ought to be the crimes of fools

packed and put on the market, are a very profitable crop, a warning to other fools of the same lik.

too. Given first-class land for this purpose, of which there is in Oregon many times the amount now put to this use, and careful attention, an apple orchard is and will be again. There seems to be perpetual a fig money maker. The market for fine apples is unlimited, extending not only from Nome to San Diego, from Seattle to New York, but across both oceans, in both Europe and Asia. The Oregon pippin commands the highest price of any apple in New York, London, Berlin, Hongkong, and other great cities.

How well content the Oregon apple grower should be; how cheerfully as well as diligently he should pursue his pleasant, profitable and useful calling. He cannot only head is level. put a good deal of honest money in his purse, and give pleasure to consumers in various parts of the world, but according to Professor Stenson he can help at the same time to make humanity more healthful, happy and moral.

#### PRESIDENT MITCHELL'S ADVICE.

T IS announced from Indianapolis that the bituminous miners, by a large majority, will decide not to strike, on account of a small reduction of wages insisted vote of confidence embraced the city administration and upon by the operators, though up till now the sentiment what it stands for they will make the profoundest mis- has been reported as strongly in favor of a general strike. progressive people. take of their lives. Every day the sentiment grows In voting against a strike the miners will be following stronger against an open alliance, on the basis of a pro- the advice of their leader and president, John Mitchell. portion of the rakeoff, between the city and the gambling Unlike some labor leaders, whose number is happily befraternity. Many people who originally viewed the trans- coming beautifully less, Mr. Mitchell does not believe that union workmen should strike on every small or any tion of its enormity and by the time another year rolls fancied occasion of grievance, but only for good and sufby the sentiment will be so overwhelming as to sweep ficient reasons, after a thorough study of the situation, when conditions have become intolerable and sincere efstanding the victory of yesterday, take upon their own forts to mitigate them by conciliatory means have been shoulders the sins of the city administration, the defeat earnestly made without avail. President Mitchell has had the courage to advise and lead a great and prolonged strike, and the people of the country were with him and the men he led, believing that they were in the main right, and deserved to win. But Mr. Mitchell has also the greater courage, in the face of what appeared to be the strike, to advise clearly and strongly against it. The bi- picture this week of Miss Zena Schulze tuminous mine operators have insisted on a reduction of and Miss Fried exhibiting a large wildwages to the extent of about one-half last year's increase. on the plea of overproduction and a falling market, a steer or Rather than yield to this the miners have threatened a man. general strike, which will probably now be averted. President Mitchell has counseled against the strike, say-

"The experiences of the past have conclusively shown us the folly of striking when markets were going down. It gun, and took three shots at the rewould be folly to strike now, because it is conceded on all treating visitor. Her prompt courage sides that the apex of industrial activity has been and the good example she set forbid any reached, and we are moving toward industrial depression." He also argues that a presidential election year is proverbially dull from a business point of view.

While it is insinuated in some quarters that President Mitchell is influenced by his admiration for President Roosevelt, whose prospects a big strike might injure, his the streets and sunshine. record in the past is such as to entitle his advice to the surely, to cause every statesman out careful consideration of union workmen, and his opinions the springtime path of life.

But, by the way, are all our Republican prosperity two men and injuring several others, prophets wrong? And if a period of industrial depression eccurred another of those quite freprophets wrong? And if a period of industrial depression quent examples of heroism and self-is coming on, will the "friends of the tariff" reform it? sacrifice that come to light in humble

## STRIPES FOR A FOOL'S BACK.

TO LAW, nor system of laws, can be devised that of snow came down the steep hillside will entirely prevent the fatal folly of the homicideby-accident fool, nor rid society of him completely; 40 or 50 feet. the man with an uncontrollable appetite for alcohol seldom but a law can and should be passed that will punish him somewhat in proportion to the measure of his reckless folly, making it criminal to the extent of manslaughter at engineer in charge of the government so possibly wives and mothers, instead of buying some least, with a view to decreasing the number of these shockexpensive nostrum to put secretly in their husband's and ing tragedies by which innocent and worthy people are acsons' coffee, would better induce them to eat several fine cidentally killed by their fool friends. Such "accidents" should be made crimes, and severely and surely punished;

when 1,000,000 apples are to be distributed, and Oregon not fit to be at large, are chiefly of two sorts; that of the must be on hand, with the best apples grown in the United fool who mistakes his companion for a deer or other four-States. This state has taken the first prize for apples at legged animal, and that of the fool, usually a boy fool, other big fairs, and can do so again. Let it be done at St. who points a gun at another "in fun," thinking it un-Louis, and then permit not Missouri to beat Oregon at loaded, and pulls the trigger. One of the latter fools turned his murderous trick in Astoria yesterday, and now Oregon is already a fine apple state; it can become a is extremely sorry, of course. He should be given a firstgreat one, not only in the quality and size but in the class opportunity to repent by sending him to the penitenquantity of its apples. And good, sound apples, rightly tiary for a few years, both as a proper punishment and as

## A WORD ON THE BEEF TRUST. miliating-nay, pathetic-to go into

By Rev. Thomas B. Gregory. The tyranny of the beef trust is being tamely borne by the descendants of the men who bravely rebelled against the tyranny of King George,

The Americans who raised the standard of revolt against King George numbered less than three millions; the Americans who are slavishly submitting to the high-handed oppression of King Gold numbers eighty millions.

Twenty-seven times more powerful than our forefathers were, the Americans of today allow the beef trust to oppress them tenfold worse than the English king ever thought of oppressing the "Men of '76."

What is the explanation of this strange, humiliating fact? Were the men of '76 more manly than are their descendants? In other words, are the people of this country degenerating? Are they losing the old-time love of justice, the old-time jealousy of their rights as free men? Is the spirit

that defied King George-the spirit of liberty, the noblest that ever swelled the human breast-dying out in the These are not idle questions. They

are questions that should be asked, that are already being asked in many quarters, and that the American will sooner or later be obliged to answer. When four or five men can get together and say what the eighty millions of Americans shall pay for the food upon which they are to live; when these men can, by virtue of their great power, the very same way that the midnight robber does his victim-when such conditions exist we may well ask the ques-

if under that constitution a little com- such acts must cease. Members must bination of speculators is able to starve not misuse their "influence." The law us to death whenever it pleases? "Pay our price or perish!" cries the heartless combination. Those who can so pay, since they do not want to starve, while those who cannot pay

To the American who knows what his matter of precaution he should bear in country used to be and what its found- mind what happened to the small boy ers hoped it would ever be, it is hu-l who seized the yellow jacket-

meat shop and watch the infamous ef-

fects of the great beef trust. zens" completely at the mercy of the heartless greed of the trust, which makes them consent to be robbed before they are permitted to have a mouthful to eat! The well-to-do, who buy the best cuts, and the poor, who buy the bones, and the "chuck" are alike "held up"and robbed by the brigand combination.

Such a state of things is un-American, and unless it is remedied it will inevitably result in the overthrow of every idea for which America has stood.

The basic idea in this country—the idea upon which the very government itself is supposed to rest-is that power resides in the people, and not in the individual or little coterie of individuals; and when the individual or coterie, succeeds in usurping the power that belongs to the many, it is all up with us. In plain English, Americans are no longer free when a little clique of speculators is able, if it pleases, to reduce them to starvation.

Not until the American people are rid of these unholy combinations of greed and plunder will they again be free.

## CONGRESSMEN'S DEFENSE.

That defense is that no personal gain was sought. The members who secured unwarranted increases of payment for constituents did not themselves profit in pocket by forwarding private against public interests. Even the three most deliberately rob the people right and left, sharply criticised have their "case." holding them up and despoiling them in Mr. Wadsworth of New York, for instance, claims to be as far removed from the intention as from the necessity of making money dishonestly. "What is to become-nay, what in the prevailing low tone of the dehas become—of our much-talked of partment he did, contrary to law, rent his own building for postal nurseas. What does the constitution amount to The demoralization which permitted must prevail.

#### Small But Can Sting. From the Atlanta Journal

It is rumored that the president preparing to seize San Domingo, As a

to the respect of the public.

As a rule, a strike, like a revolution, is justified only by

Or will they say they can't mend the roof while it rains?

## COMING TO PORTLAND.

Alvin Jones writes from Salem to He will see there "free American citi- the Woodburn Independent as follows: the tin-horn gamblers. has even made the tenderloin district next. take down their red curtains, and also close at 12 p. m. This is one of the Carter, which contained such a neat best things that has happened to Salem in many years. The town was rotten before the gambling was stopped. Many a woman had to stay at home and worry about her husband laying around these dirty gambling holes. It was a shame the way some men carried on in Salem, and church members can be blessed for what they have done. 'Now some men won't have to ask the proprietor of the house for the loan of a little money to get a few groceries to take home for Sunday's dinner, after they had worked ing two masters at once in their adhard all week and then gambled away all their hard earned money.

THE SENATOR TOLD TOO MUCH. From the Kansas City Star. Senator Knute Nelson went to Baltinore some ten days ago and addressed meeting of bankers and merchants who were giving a banquet. The Minnesota senator recalled in happy fashion how, during the civil war, he marched through the city as a private soldier, telling in humorous fashion how he captured a horse not far from Baltimore. These experiences furnished much amusement, but a couple of days after Mr. Nelson returned to Washington he was given an opportunity to see the other side of the medal. The man who owned the horse wrote, demanding payment for the property which had been appropriated so many years ago. The letter gives details which convinces Sen-

Now Oregonians may be able to form felt after the 40-days' rain was over.

Many stages in interior Oregon have been held up lately, and robbed of time, by swollen streams and impassable

Ashland saloon men are under arrest war in that town between the wets and

The Seaside Sentinel complains that the town by the sea is run by a political gang. Of course the editor doesn't be-

A Umatilla county man mentioned for county office declares that he wouldn't have it, as he is too busy. His busy

A revivalist claims to have made 170 converts at Pendleton. But some discount must be allowed for subsequent fallings from grace.

coal field recently mentioned herein should have been credited to Wheeler, instead of Gilliam, county. But Gilliam has plenty of other good things

That Dalles-Dufur railroad will be an-

other important Oregon enterprise, It

will run through a richly resourceful

region, inhabited by prosperous and The new Haines, Baker county, creamery, claimed to be the best in Eastern Oregon, is ready for business. Baker

well as gobs of gold. The heavy rainfall and deep snows of the past winter, while doing some slight damage in a few localities, will show later in prolific and varied prod-

ucts their great value.

ounty can produce golden butter as

The industrial outlook at La Grande, says The Observer, is exceptionally ood. The volume of business is satisfactory. New business enterprises are

the Grande Ronde was never brighter.

Malheur Gazette: We were shown cat which they killed in the Cottonwood mountains. The Malheur girls can rope

Mrs. F. Olliett of La Grande, answering a knock at the door at 11:30 p. m. money. Instead of fainting or screaming, or running to hide, she ran for a criticism upon her marksmanship.

Ex-Governor Geer, if not entirely sat isfied from a political point of view, is still thankful, publicly, in the Salem "robins, daffodils, hyacinths, meadow larks, pretty women on Enough. of a political job to look cheerfully along

In the terrible snow slide that struck the Queen of the West mine in the Cornucopia district last week, killing laces. Tommy Smith saving to his rescuers: "Save Estes, boys, he's a married man; it doesn't amount to so much with me." But he was saved, nevertheess, while Estes died. The great body for a distance of 2,500 feet upon the doomed camp and buried it to a depth of

Pendleton East Oregonian: The announcement that John T. Whistler, chief ing for an investigation into the consurveys, will bring his family and locate permanently in Pendleton, means more for his beef. According to the recent than any move yet made by the government in the reclamation of Umatilla county and Eastern Oregon lands. means that the surveys in this state have reached that stage at which the governnent considers them permanent propositions, and the permanent location of the chief representative of the reclamation department here means that work will be vigorously prosecuted.

#### BAKER COUNTY POLITICS. Senator Mitchell's Letter Favoring Williamson Causes Comment.

From the Baker City Herald. Despite the fact the Baker City Reprices of beef cattle and the selling
publicans are strong partisans of price of fresh beef." Furthermore, the Mitchell and Simon, they are diplomatically waiting to see which way the present market conditions are the result Multnomah county political bug hops of any contract or conspiracy among before they come out in advocacy of the packers for the manipulation of either of these two gentlemen. It is prices. The desirability of such an inthe Woodburn Independent as follows:
not presumed for a moment that should vestigation, both as a means of protec"I will write you a few remarks which Mitchell win the primaries and thereby tion to the general public and for the I heard about some of the tin-horn control the state convention and district information it may give as to the true gamblers in Salem. This morning one congressional convention, the friends of status of the so-called "beef trust," is gambler says to the other: "We will Simon will mount the Mitchell band obvious. Under the injunction handed have to go out and cut cord wood for wagon. The history of the party in down by the federal court the packers our money." It works a hardship on this county is not distinguished by that were forbidden to co-operate in restraint There were sort of thing. The bad blood between about 50 rounders left Salem last night the two partisan sections will last for all ing or selling prices or suppressing comfor Portland, saying that they could get time. Neither will the Mitchellites hop petition. more money in the Portland gambling on the Simon automobile should "Little with the injunctionary decree it is time houses than in those at Salem. The Joe" win out in the primaries. The to find it out. If they are complying city council has closed all the games of sturdy adherents to the Mitchell cause chance, except the slot machines, and are not of the hopping or flopping sort. junction and still in some mysterious has ordered all the saloons to close They will carry the fight forward to way are following a uniform policy promptly at 12 o'clock every night, and next year, and the next and then to the

petition the judicial and legal machinery Senator Mitchell's letter to Mayor is at fault. In the beef case, as well as in that of compliment and boost for Congressman the Northern Securities merger, fuller Williamson, came as a sort of bomb in information is wanted as to the local Moody camp. The letter reequacy of the present measures for preventing restraint of trade. One of the sulted in more closely drawing the parprimary objects sought in establishing tisan lines, which separate Simon and Moody from Mitchell and Williamson. the department of commerce and labor Prior to the receipt of this letter, the was to secure just such information and Moody men fondly believed that if they pave the way for further and more efsupported the ex-congressman they would not be flying too straight in the fective legislation. Secretary Cortelyou now has an opportunity to prove the department's usefulness. If the invesface of Mr. Mitchell; in other words, they thought that they might be servigation serves no other purpose, at least it should disclose the real cause of the present abnormal and oppressive vocacy of the candidacy of Moody. conditions which injure the consumer. Mitchell's letter punctures the tire of this fond hope. Read between the lines, the Mitchell note conveys the statement HYPOCRISY OF THE SENATE. that the Oregon delegation desires to remain intact; it does From the St. Paul Dispatch. breaking in of a man to oust whom The ostensible, the only legitimate, from office required some time and conurpose of the Smoot investigation in siderable diplomacy. "Stand pat," says the senate is to ascertain if he has vio-Mitchell's letter, and all down the line, lated federal law by maintaining polygfrom the Richards-Rand wing in Sumpamous relations. It is not that the docter to the Moore-Callahan section in trine of his church sanctions such, not

# Bon't Descrate.

faction.

Baker City, the "stand pat" request has been transmitted. It was welcomed

with varying feelings in the various

law offices, in some of which there was

weeping and wailing and gnashing of

teeth; in others, smiles of serene satis-

From the Milwaukee Sentinel. Herr Conried says the proposed production of "Parsifal" in English would

# SKELETON OUT OF CLOSET.

the people voted directly, and wound up

ocrats were not far behind in joining

able. Every man whose name is in the

renomination, or if not defeated, with

make his summer one of unalloyed en-

President Roosevelt has under consid

eration a reorganization of the postoffic

blood and greater executive vigor into

ernment. It is apparent to every one

The president has asked for the a

The Republicans have carried their

wanted a thorough investigation, not

alone of the charges made by Mr. Bris-

tow, but also of the postoffice depart

ment from basement to garret. This

the Republicans would not permit, They

bership of the house was one thing and

the postoffice department was quite an-

other, and as honor in the house had been attacked by Mr. Bristow's report.

it was necessary that those charges

complicated with charges against the postoffice department. This does not

want not only vindication, but revenge

What they want, in the language of the west, is to skin him and hang his

on their back fence. They want to show that Mr. Bristow is several kinds of a

deep-dyed villain and to force the presi-

The Democrats are not complaining.

said one of the leading Demo-

We gave the Republicans their opportu-

crats this evening, "and they were either

too foolish or too cowardly to take ad-

vantage of it. We wanted a genuine in-

vestigation, not alone an investigation

of the Bristow report, but a chance to

find out why the postoffice department

permitted itself to be used by members

of congress to do things that it knew

been adopted everything would have

been brought out. But the Republicans

down. They were evidently

postoffice department.

dent to dismiss him.

should be investigated without being thieves, but the defeated ones say they

They have been able to prevent

improve this opportunity to infuse

Walter Wellman in the Chicago Record- of the people, the only men for whom Herald.

After another day of anger, hysteria by nominating Speaker Cannon for the and panic, the house of representatives presidency, there was a burst of apthis evening adopted a resolution for plause such as the house has not heard appointment of a special committee for many a long day. If the Republiof seven to investigate the so-called cans started it, perhaps with the hope Bristow report accusing members of that its reverberations might be heard and illegally to obtain from the postofpant something to think about, the Demice department increased allowances for clerk hire and rentals in postoffices in with them to show how keenly they fel! their districts. The most intense feel-Republican wrongs. ing against the president, Postmaster General Payne and Fourth Assistant list already sees himself defeated for Postmaster-General Bristow was shown by Republicans as well as by Democrats entirely too much explaining to do to on the floor, and the instant dismissal of Payne and Bristow was demanded by several speakers, among them some of joyment. the leading Republicans of the lewer branch. The excitement reached its height when William Alden Smith of department. He has been urged by a number of his most valued advisers to Michigan dramatically eulogized the greatness of the house of representatives, which had been assailed by the executive branch of the government, blood and greater executive vigor into and closed by naming a candidate of the that most important branch of the gov-Republican party for president of the United States: "A candidate who would that what the postoffice department be a fee to corruption, the great man most needs at the present juncture is who has given 30 years of his life to strong and masterful head and chiefs of the service of the country-Speaker Jo divisions who will have the confidence sensational declamation was

seph G. Cannon of Illinois." of congress and of the country. greeted with wild applause. The long vice of a number of his most trusted friends, and some of these have told him taken together, indicate unmistakably to reorganize the department, beginning at the head and going pretty well down that President Roosevelt is suffering for the sins of his subordinates and that he the list. Their argument is that some action is needed to restore confidence is losing popularity with the representatives of the people, even those of his It is needed, furthermore, they contend own party. There is, therefore, the more to make sure of a strong and capable eagerness to see what the president will administration of the department, which do with the advice which his friends now is much at sixes and sevens, no man knowing who is master or what he are giving him to throw Payne and Bristow overboard and save himself. It beshould do next. came known tonight that the president has under consideration a suggestion to reorganize the postoffice department an investigation of the postoffice departby asking for the resignations of both ment, but in the opinion of many mem bers, Republicans as well as Democrats Payne and Bristow, and perhaps other the leaders have made a mistake, and prominent officials of that department. the Democrats are very well pleased with the day's work. The Democrats

Thus ended a day of great excitement in the house, a day in which the Republicans were outmaneuvered at every point and which served to demonstrate the intensity of the feeling aroused among members against the president, Postmaster-General Payne and Fourth ssistant Postmaster-General Bristow All day long the house had been swinging between hysterics and panie; be ween an intense earnestness and a lev ity that gave vent for surcharged feelings. The Democrats, with rare solicitude for the feelings of their political opponents, had condoled with them over the malignant cunning of the postoffice suit many Republicans, because they department in holding up honorable men to the scorn of their communities; Democrats who had escaped Mr. Bristow's microscopic eye flung bouquets at their Republican rivals and bore testimony to their honesty and regretted that they should be placed in a false light before their constituents. The crucified ones, the men on Mr. Bristow's divided their anger among the president, Postmaster-General Payne and Bristow They held all three responsible. Bristow, they said, was a fool, but they did not believe that Bristow had made this entirely off his own bat. They could not conceive it possible that a sub ordinate would have taken the responsibility without consulting the postmaster-general, and they assumed that Mr. Payne had received the sanction of the were illegal. Had the Moon represident to send the report to the

Hence when Mr. Smith had glorified afraid to have the probe put into the postoffice department. the house properly as a "buffer state," which stood between the people and the the public can draw its own conclupresident, which was the representative | sions.

PRICE OF BEEF.

Be Enlightened.

ing 20 per cent too much for his beef.

secretary is to ascertain whether the

of trade for the purpose of fixing, buy-

technically with all the rules of the in-

that some of its members continue to

indulge in them. All this uncovering of

practices by Smith and others, this ex-

hibition of their disobedience of law, is

Smoot's eligibility and is gone into by

the senate for no other purpose that can

be surmised save a desire to throw a sop

to the anti-Mormon element, made up

to legislate others into their notions of

entirely extraneous to the question

If they are not complying

From the Chicago News.

# PERSECUTION OF SMOOT.

Now Perhaps the American People Will Spirit Manifested Does No Credit to the Mation.

From the Kansas City Journal. The long-suffering American consume The testimony brought out in the investigation of the case of Senator Reed will approve heartily the action taken by the house of representatives in call-Smoot on Wednesday was interesting and instructive, as throwing light on ditions of the beef market. The con- the history of the Mormon church and sumer is now paying a very high price the prevailing beliefs and practices of its members, but just what relevancy s statement of Secretary Wilson of the large part of it had to the case of Sendepartment of agriculture he is paying ator Smoot is not apparent. It far more than is warranted by the acshown by President Joseph Smith that tual conditions of the supply and de-mand. In commenting on the disparity the Mormons believe that Joseph Smith Jr., the founder of their church, was visited by an "angel in black," who made between the price of cattle and the price known to him a revelation commandof steaks and roasts he has declared ing polygamy. Polygamy was subsequently practiced until President Woodthat in his opinion either the cattle raiser was getting 20 per cent too little ruff was blessed with a revelation perfor his cattle or the consumer was paymitting its abolition. President Smith also has received a few revelations when The resolution passed by the house directs the secretary of commerce and labor to investigate "the causes of the in a state of "inspiration," but has had the misfortune never to have encountered the "angel in black." He and his low prices of beef cattle in the United States since July 1, 1903, and the alleged unusually large margins between the right, although not necessary.

fellow sectaries still think polygamy Now, none of these facts has been or will be denied, we suppose, for none of The matter to be dethem is at issue. termined by the investigation is not whether the Mormons have a number of peculiar religious beliefs, or whether they regard the practice of polygamy as consistent with religion and good morals. The question is not even whether Mr. Smoot shares the objectionable beliefs of Mormonism. The sole matter that ought to be determined by the investigation is whether or not Smoot has violated or is now violating the laws of the state or his country, or has committed or is committing any indecent or immoral acts which unfit him to be a United States senator. What Mr. Smoot or anybody else believes in regard to religion is not, in the present in-stance, or at least ought not to be, a matter of inquiry.

The reason for this is obvious. To which has the effect of preventing comtake his mere beliefs and opinions into account, or even to draw them forth and exhibit them before the country and thus bring ridicule upon him, is to persecute the Utah senator for his religion upon the pretense of protecting public morals, and thereby violate that dom of religious worship which is guar anteed by both the spirit and letter of the laws and constitution of the United States and of the several states. So long as he obeys the laws and commits no overt act which outrages the moral sensibilities of the nation, Mr. Smoot is entitled to the protection of its laws and to whatever offices, property or other advantages he may acquire under The fanatical and persecuting spirit which has been manifested in the ing we meet him he takes me home first Smoot case toes no credit to a nation and then takes her. Don't you think which expressly guarantees religious freedom to all its people.

#### THE VIRTUES OF PLETY. From Macmillan's Magazine.

I had a cook who could not read, even tell the hour by the clock, but she boiled eggs with perfect accuracy. When asked one day, "But how do you know when they are ready, Chucha?" she answered, with a smile which showed all feels sorry for the other girl. her fine teeth: "Senor, I boil them by She had been taught, like other Mexi-

can village girls, to patter off the apos-tles' creed. She did not know quite well the words meant, but they just largely of that uneasy class who wish did nicely to boil eggs with. She put Now, Miss Fairfax, do you thing the eggs in the pot (in the coffee onduct. Really, the senate is trying with the coffee, but that is a mere demuch? Kindly give me advice what to be federal law officers of Utah for neg- tall) and began to say her creed. At ator Nelson that the writer was indeed be a "desecration." For heaven's sake, the federal law officers of Utah for neg- tail) and began to say her creed. At do. swner of the captured animal, let it go at that.

# Small Change

Feel sore? Grin-and whet your dag-

It was cool yesterday-but not for

Not dead, but forgotten-Aguinaldo and the Torrens law.

The sunshine will rapidly ripen spring

millinery and lingerie.

Judge Parker is even more silent than his sponsor, D. B. Hill.

Mr. Carnegie might get rid of it faster

by starting a free butcher shop. At least Hill and Murphy of New York won't pull hair. Both are baldheaded

Port Arthur may "fall" yet, but it is having a long laugh on the predicting

Having but one wife, and being therewith content, Smoot's election as an apostle must have been a great surprise.

Western Democrats, rather than Tam-

many, will name the next nominee president, but Bryan may no longer dic-But what did Bristow suppose some

ongressmen-like Littauer and Burton for example—were there and wanted to stay there for? If the old saying that "the more Democrats fight the more Democrats

there are" is true, New York is pretty

A Chicago professor says "work is the tried path to joy." The hobo agrees with this when he can work people for

free grub and beer. It might be advantageous if supreme courts were composed of even instead of odd numbers. Then we would not get so many decisions.

It was quite natural for some gressmen to suppose that the postoffice department was created and run for their especial benefit.

At least it can be said of Papa Smith and other apostles that they are more candid in telling the truth about themselves than some senators would be.

They have been calling one another

will support the winning ones. "thieves" do not always tell the truth. A Brooklyn preacher hasn't washed his hand with soap since the president

dential hand-microbe a chance to work. Jim Tillman of South Carolina intends to break into congress. A Mormon was turned out of that body, and another one is being investigated, but

perhaps no objection will be made to a The Tillamook Headlight claims that the success of Tillamook county dairymen has been due to the Republican Under a Democratic administra-

iton the cows would have kicked and bawled instead of "giving down." Sensible Suggestion.

From the Corvallis Gazette. It is generally customary to elect a man as delegate to a state convention and load him down with all kinds of iron bound instructions. Why not try the plan of electing men of ability and inand then leave the course to be pursued to their own discretion?

## Advice to the Lovelorn

BY BEATRICE FAIRFAX.

Dear Miss Fairfax: Last summer while one a visit to one of the western states my sister became acquainted with a married lady who was also visiting that particular place. They were stopping at the same hotel and became quite friendly. The lady frequently spoke to my sister of her home life and friends, and one in particular, her famlly physician, and next door neighbor. After the lady returned to her own home and my sister to hers she received a letter from the lady stating that the physiciah was very much interested in her. She enclosed his photograph, saying that he would be pleased to hear from my sister and to receive her photograph in exchange. My sister pictures, one for her friend and one for the physician, but beyond a message which she sent through the lady she did not acknowledge his picture in any other way-that is, she did not write him a personal letter. And he has not written her to acknowledge her picture, though he received it from the lady and has placed it on the mantel in his par-My sister thinks his reason for not writing is because she did not write him when he sent his picture. I con-tend that the sending of her picture at his request was equivalent to a written acknowledgment, and all the encouragement that a woman could give to a man, and that it was and still is his place to write the first letter. MRS. M. L. M. I think you are right, though doubt-

less the man expected that your sister would write, and is offended that she did not do so. However, to go directly to the root of the matter, I think your sister made a mistake in sending her photograph to a man she did not know, and that in doing so she laid herself open to the treatment she received. Photographs should only be given personal friends, and even then with discretion. If I were she I would consider the incident as closed and be careful that I made no more mistakes of the same kind. The man is evidently not a gentleman, or he would have acknowledged the photograph even if he were angry.

Dear Miss Fairfax: I am a young girl of 16 years of age, and am in love with a young man of 18 years. He and my girl friend's young man generally meet, us, but as her friend and my friend seem to have had a falling out my friend meets us alone. Every eventhat he should take her first, as long as her friend does not come to meet he Kindly advise me if you think I ought to meet him or not. I love him very MAY VIOLET.

Don't let jealousy enter your heart. There is no misery in the world equal to that of jealousy. His taking you home first may be purely accidental. Do your best to help the two young men "make up." Perhaps your Triend

Dear Miss Fairfax; I am a young girl 18 years of age, and love a gentleman 25 years of age. He has told me he loves me and asked me to be his wife. My parents like him very much. pot too old to marry me, as I love him very

Marry him if you love him,