

MORMON APOSTLE TALKS ON RELIGION

Matthias F. Cowley, an apostle of the Mormon church, addressed a gathering at Burkhard hall on East Burnside street last night. He said to the Oregon Daily Journal: "With reference to the agitation concerning Reed Smoot I want to remind you that senators and politics are no part of our religious services, and that as a senator Mr. Smoot does not represent any church nor any one class of people."

"He was elected by a republican legislature consisting of Mormons and non-Mormons, and no church influence was used to elect him."

"We do not use church influence in politics. We are republicans and democrats, and as citizens of the United States have a right to take part in the elections of our country. Mr. Smoot is a practical, wide-awake business man—a promoter of mining, manufacturing, agricultural and stock raising."

"Some of his most ardent admirers and supporters in Utah are gentiles, and as a senator he represents them as much as he does the Mormons. He represents them all alike. The church has no concern about the retention of his seat in the senate. It had nothing to do with his election. If the senate casts him out it will not retard the progress of the church in the least degree. The church depends upon God to promote her interests upon the earth and not upon a United States senator."

In an interview Mr. Cowley said: "This talk about polygamy comes from the same source that always has misrepresented and persecuted our church. When Utah was admitted to statehood we made a covenant with the government and we have kept it. We no longer teach or countenance this practice. We apostles and elders of the church teach obedience to the law."

"The word Mormon signifies more good, and Mormonism, the system which stands for all truths. It con-

templates the development of every God-like attribute in every human being, along the lines of unbounded progress, in the spiritual, social, intellectual and material world.

"It claims to possess the elements essential to feed and satisfy the yearning of the human heart for the knowledge of man's origin, purpose and destiny, arms him with power in a world of sin and degradation to successfully come back and overcome weaknesses of the flesh."

"We recognize that these claims may be made for Christianity in general, but we fail to discover in characteristics of modern Christianity, those fruits which the Messiah promised as a seal of his divine work."

"You ask our church members in every part of the world the source of their conversion, and you discover it was not the arguments nor the eloquence of Mormon preachers, but the testimony of conviction brought to their own souls by the spirit of divine truth. This makes them independent, and places them upon a platform of equality. This spirit plants in their hearts the same hopes. They see alike, and are therefore a unity in action as well as in profession."

"Many thousands of them never saw the leading men of the church, were never under their so-called 'magnetic' influence, and yet they are as strong in the faith as the leaders themselves. Joseph Smith, the prophet, was once asked how he governed so many people. He answered: 'I do not govern them. I teach them true principles and they govern themselves.'"

Mr. Cowley is one of the 12 apostles of the Mormon church and is accompanied by Nephi W. Pratt, president of the Northwest States Mission Society, which includes the states of Washington, Northern Idaho, Wyoming and British Columbia. They are en route to British Columbia to investigate a sugar beet factory proposition as well as to do missionary work.

PARKER VS. HEARST

DEMOCRATIC FIGHT AHEAD IN NEW YORK.

The Native New Yorker and the State's Adopted Son Will Fight for Support in the National Convention—Preparations Being Made for the Coming State Convention Which Will Elect the Delegates.

Albany, N. Y., March 5.—Pursuant to a call issued last week by Chairman Campbell the members of the democratic state committee of New York met at the state headquarters here at noon today to discuss the matter of time and place for holding the state convention. From all indications it appears probable that the convention will be held in New York city immediately following the adjournment of the legislature.

From statements made by members of the committee and by other leading democrats who are here for the meeting it seems to be the general opinion among them that the contest for the democratic nomination for president is narrowing down to Judge Parker and William R. Hearst.

The understanding is that former

Senator David B. Hill, Mayor McClellan of New York, Senator McCarran of Brooklyn, and either Edward Murphy, Jr., of Troy, or some Western New York democrat, will comprise the "Big Four" that New York will send to the St. Louis convention.

Tammany Leader Murphy, it is said, could be one of the delegates-at-large should he care for the honor. It is believed, however, that Mr. Murphy prefers to go to the national convention as a district delegate, with Bourke Cochrane, Charles A. Towne, John G. Carlisle, and other well known democrats of New York city.

CODFISH SCARCE.

Sudden and Unaccountable Decrease in the Catch Off Newfoundland and Labrador Coasts—Supply is Several Million Pounds Behind the Normal Demand.

Gloucester, Mass., March 5.—Cured codfish, familiarly known to the palates of thousands of Americans as an appetizing breakfast relish, has now risen to the level of a luxury. Supplies at primary points are such that dealers are unable to secure enough stock for the most pressing wants, and prices have advanced by leaps and bounds. Never before in the history of Gloucester has it been recorded that the fish dealers withdrew their salesmen from the road in the height of the Lenten season. But this is what has happened now.

The market is so bare of supplies that some of the largest houses here and in Boston have closed their curing and cutting-up plants, and the prices have advanced to the highest point reached since the civil war. It is not a question of price, however, but of supply. The landings of salt cod for last year were 28,370,000 pounds. The annual consumption is in excess of 30,000,000 pounds, and the consequence is that the supply is far below the normal demand.

The greatest efforts are being made by vessel owners and curers to fit out the vessels for codfishing, but as the bait is short and the weather conditions generally unfavorable, it will probably be two months before any stock to speak of is available for the market, and an even longer time before there is any reduction in prices.



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One lot of Children's and Misses' Shoes and Oxfords, out-of-date styles, to close... **29c**

One lot of Men's Shoes in pointed and coin toes, in black and tan, former price \$3 to \$5, to close... **98c**

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One lot Ladies' Eton Tailored Suits, in black, castor, navy and red Venetian cloth, and one lot Louis XIV Tailored Suits in brown, black and navy suitings, sizes 32 to 42, also one lot of Ladies' Walking Skirts, Coats and Jackets, to close... **ONE-THIRD OFF**

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