

THE MORMON CHURCH.

A Prolonged and Bitter Wrangle in Prospect Among the Faithful.

Speculation is rife now among the faithful of the Mormon church as to who shall be the successor of the late President Taylor. A prolonged and bitter wrangle is quite probable.

The Mormon church shows signs of discontent and factions; this was patent at Taylor's funeral when one of his sons attempted to create a disturbance by denouncing the processes of the recent Mormon convention.

Cashing Checks at Hotels.

If I were the proprietor of a hotel I would cash checks to every man I knew and considered responsible. The hotel would lose no more money under that method than it does by the present rule.

Labouche Pitches into Royal Yachts.

The performances of the Queen's yacht on Wednesday last in running into the Orontes is equally discouraging to the British taxpayer and the British sightseer.

Not Honored at Home.

As water seeks its level, so does the village instinctively tend to maintain a certain moral and intellectual uniformity.

"Sir, I hear you using the word donkey very frequently in your conversation." "Yes, your ears do not deceive you."

THE LITTLE READER.

A Lesson for Parents to Take to Heart.

How quiet the house is at midnight. The people who talk and laugh and sing in their sleep, and the people who fall asleep in it long ago came back into it.

Why, what was my time worth to me to-day? What was there in the book I wanted to read one-half so precious to me as one cooing word from the prattling lips that quivered when I turned away.

But I was not harsh. I was only a little impatient. Because, you see, his lesson was so easy, so simple. Ah, he, there were two of us trying to read this afternoon.

Ah, friend, we do not waste time when we plait scourges for ourselves. These hurrying days, these busy, anxious, shrewd, ambitious times of ours are wasted when they take our hearts away from patient gentleness, and give us fame for love and gold for kisses.

If You Are Obligated to Sleep on the Cars.

In these days, when travel by railroads is very common, a few words on the best means to prevent taking cold in the cars will be useful.

Old Maids.

The Chicago News announces authoritatively that a girl is not an 'old maid' now until she is past 30.

LITERARY SUCCESS.

The Ways by Which Some Noted Writers Have Become Famous.

Every literary success has its own history. Thoreau's beautiful books are found in every library where he would have cared to have them; but they were so little appreciated when originally issued that at the end of the first year almost the whole edition was returned to the author.

Bayard Taylor, thirsting for the literary life, eager for fame, but only for the fame that comes from doing really admirable work, labors slowly, toils noisily, carefully, and achieves at last an enviable position for graceful, scholarly, patient literary effort.

Miss Alcott is inspired to write "Little Women," because, as she naively says herself, "the house needed shining."

George Eliot, profoundly self-distrustful, venturing into fiction only at the urgent entreaty of Mr. Lewes, writes "Adam Bede," to be the admiration of the world, and perhaps never did any work finer of its kind than her first.

Charlotte Bronte, with profound confidence in her own genius, encouraged by no one, d discourages "by every publisher till the last, writes "Jane Eyre," to be one of the greatest novels of her generation.

When a book appears so perfect of its kind as "Hans Brinker, or the Silver Skates," the world is startled not merely in reading the book, but in knowing how it came to be written.

Street Car Nuisances.

The smoke nuisance on the street cars, though the most annoying, is by no means the only one to be found on that popular vehicle.

A somewhat similar nuisance is the passenger—not always a male one—who occupies two or three seats by sitting sideways so as to gaze from the car window.

A Young Race-Horse Owner.

Here is a little man 12 years old, probably the youngest and wealthiest juvenile race-horse owner in the world.

Little Dick—Dick, why is mamma like a horse, papa like a cow and you like a pig?

SCALES.

They will Even Show the Weight a Man's Signature Carries with it.

In a Broadway store which is a branch of a big out-of-town scale factory, are more different kinds of scales than most people imagine were ever made.

The weights are the merest bits of aluminum not half so big as the head of a pin. The machine is so delicate that a little dust blowing in from the street will affect its accuracy.

A reporter happened in the other day while the operation was going on. The manager took a slip of ordinary writing paper and weighed it. It weighed thirty-eight milligrammes.

Then the man pulled a hair out of his head and the manager found that it weighed three milligrammes.

ABOUT WOMEN.

—Mrs. Thomas A. Hendricks denies that she will publish a collection of her husband's letters.

—Marie Foster of Adams, Mass., got thirty days imprisonment for plucking a few flowers. Such a place. It ought to grow weeds.

—Sarah Bernhardt has made her tiger cats popular. They are a sure protection against dogs and dudes and no parent should be without one.

—Mrs. Francis I. Armore has been the toast among the married ladies of Nahant this summer. The pretty rosebuds have felt quite jealous.

—Signora Verdi, wife of "Il Trovatore," is a very charitable woman. She is now putting up a splendid hospital at Busseto, which she and Verdi will endow.

—Miss Olivia Cobb of Atlanta, Ga., is called the Southern queen of love and beauty. She is just out of her teens and wears thirty scalps, or we should say hair in her girlish.

—Boston ladies have taken to patronizing bucket-shops, and it has been observed that their former sweet Mecca look of attic soulfulness has left their faces. They have turned to vulgar bouffé.

—It has come to caramels in the turf at last. They have been crunched this summer. As for chewing-gum, the very porpoises have stood aghast while gazing at an American maiden chewing her cud.

—Queen Kapiolani finds dull since she returned home. What is the good, she thinks, of being a queen unless you can boss around a lot of lords and ladies in waiting. She has nobody to crush but Kap.

—There has been a great call at the watering places this summer for fasting girls. It has been fashionable for society girls to have good appetites. Hotel men find that delicate girls pay best, and it may be so.

—Mrs. General Logan has been in Chicago arranging for the building of a monument which is to commemorate her husband's patriotism. She also looked after the General's book. Mrs. Logan will reside in Washington.

—Mute maidens of Bodie, Cal., excel their Boston sisters in ingenuity, if not in classical knowledge. They use the trees of discarded saddles for improvers. They are very charming little bodies and much addicted to early flutery.

—Mrs. Nancy Calpepper, of Starkville, Miss., is now cutting her third set of teeth. She is young yet, being only 103 years old on her last birthday. Babies of seventy and thereabouts think her a very wise person for her years.

—Miss Marcia Marvin, daughter of the late Bishop E. M. Marvin, has been appointed matron in the Mission School at Piracicaba, Brazil. There is a fine field for her shining talents in that land of hidden gold and mighty rivers.

—Mrs. M. E. De Geer, an attorney-at-law in Topeka, Kansas, was not afraid to address over 10,000 persons on the Fourth of July at Larned, Kan., on "Our Foremothers." The assemblage, it is unnecessary to say, was a Larned one.

—Queen Victoria has an idea when the royalty business gives out of keeping a boarding-house. She charged some ladies who came down to Windsor with an £80,000 gift for their tea. The Queen's talents have so far been hidden under a bushel.

—Little Dot—Dick, why is mamma like a horse, papa like a cow and you like a pig?

—Mamma like a horse because she can't climb a tree.

—And papa is like a cow because he can't stand on his head.

—Yes, and why am I like a pig?

—Cause you don't offer me any of your candy.

—The man who was to publish a newspaper to suit everybody fell out of Noah's ark and was drowned.

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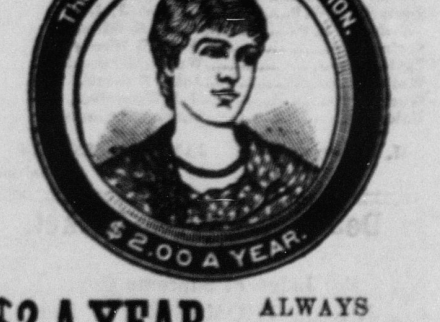
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