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Guiteau "At Home."

The Assassin, His Manner of Life, and

the Elegant Apartments Occupied by

tions given of him by reporters. He is,

the letter says, a very commonplace person,

graphs, and is receiving nearly \$50 per

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"Lo! the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; the flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is neard in our

When all the trees put on their robes Of fresh and lovely green; When here, and there, and everywhere, The little birds are seen; When grows the bud into the rose With face so wondrous fair, I know that winter's dead and gone-I know that spring is here.

When toiling, toiling goes the ant Through all the livelong hours; When sips the gaudy butterfly The nectar from the flowers; When vonder brook in vonder wood Makes music sweet and clear. I know that winter's dead and gone-I know that, spring is here.

When on the wild-wood's sheltered banks The starry celandine Runs round and round its braid of gold With anemone between; When black-bird's call and cow-bell's clang Break on the perfumed air. I know that winter's dead and gone-I know that spring is here.

-Joseph A. FARBELL.

MORMONISM,

ATS EVILS AND WHAT THEIR NA-TURE AND NUMBER ARE.

From the New York Tribune.

Congressman Edwin Willits, of Michigan, who has paid much attention to the Mormon problem, has received from the Rev. D. J. McMillan, sup rintendent of the Presbyterian missions in Utah, Idaho and Montana, an interesting letter respecting affairs in Utah. The greater part of this letter is given below:

In reply to your inquiries respecting aifairs in Utah, I shall state only what I know to be facts, and of which I can fornish abundant proof. While the school laws of Utah expressly forbid the use of public school funds for the support of sectarian or denominational schools of any kind, it is a well known fact that the book of Mormon and the Mormon catechism are used as text books, and children are required to use them as such under penalty of expulsion from school. I know of cases where children were expelled accordingly for no other offense than refusal to study and recite lessons from those books. It is an equally well known fact that no teachers can obtain employment in those schools except they are members of the Mormon church paying tithe regularly. I know of several non-Mormon teachers of experience and acknowledged qualifications superior to any Mormon teachers who applied for employment in the public schools and were rejected on the sole ground that they were not Mormons. In one case a non-Mormon teacher of a private school-the only school in the town where she was teaching-received for a time a portion of the public school fund, but the fund was afterward withheld because she would not join the church, though at the time she held a first grade certificate of qualifications from the county board of examiners and was teaching to the entire gatisfaction of all and in the only schoolhouse in the town-The public school fund is a territorial appropriation of about three dollars per annum per capita of the actual attendance at school. The remainder of the teacher's salary is collected as tuition from patrons-Certificates of qualifications are required by law to be held by all teachers receiving any part of the public school fund; but it is a notorious fact that in at least two counties in Utah the only teachers holding such certificates were non-Mormons, who were teaching common schools and receiving only such tuition as they could collect, while Mormon teachers who held no such certificates, but who paid tithes to the church, and taught the Book of Mormon and the catechism, received all the public school fands, estimated upon the attendance of all the schools, Mormon and Gentile. Bishops in the several towns in those counties announced publicly from their pulpits that those who attended schools taught by Mormon teachers would get a double benefit of the public fund Ji. e., \$6 per schol ar], while those who attended the other schools would get nothing. And, furthermore, the bishops compel parents, under severe penulties, to patronize the interior Mormon teachers. Even they would gladly pay the entire tuition for the superior in- it I ll lose my land and reduce my family struction of the per-Mormon teacher .-Much more might be said of abuse in school matters. But this is perhaps enough, The rest may be inferred from the fact that at every election and live a lie all the time. John Taylor, the "Prophet, Seer and Rev

THE RIGHTS OF THE CHURCH. The Mormon church asserts its right to another man in my fix." A young Mor- five months.

of public instruction for the territory.

rlator" of the church, is the superintendent

civil, criminal and ecclesiastical, are to be brought alike before the bishop's court, with right of appeal to the high council of the church, where all justice terminates. These are not courts of record. Cases are simply brought up for trial; the case is stated, and the presiding priest pronounces judgment and enforces penalties arbitrarily. For example, a man attempted to enter a piece of land without asking the bishop's permission. This enraged the bishop, who at once appointed one of his faithful benchmen to build and occapy a house upon the same land. A dispute arose between the two claimants, and the bishop compelled both to appear before him. He decided the case at once against the lawful claimant, "cut him off from the church" and "turn him over to the buffetings of eatan"-which meant social ostracism and starvation for want of means of livelihood. In this particular case, the man so foully wronged had the courage to appeal to the last deffice for redress, and obtained it. Whereupon the bishop on the Sabbath morning succeeding, publicly said : "Brother-has shown himself to be an enemy to this people by ignoring the priesthood and entering land as the G. ntiles do. By the power of the holy priesthood which I possess, I have cast bim off and turned him over to the buffetings of satin, and I pronounce the curse of the Almighty up him. His crops shall wither away and his land shall not vield her increase, and he shall starve to death unless he repents, gets baptized again to wash away the sin of his rebellion, pays up his tithing and comes and begs pardon and none of the saints are to show him any countenance or favor until he repents.' Then the water-master of the community, who is appointed by the mayor (who is generally the bishop) was instructed to allow that man ro water to irrigate his land. And as nothing can be raised from the soil without irrigation, the curse of "withered crops" and "starvation," etc., was fully experienced For the sake of his suffering and starving family, the man gave up his land, was rebaptiz d, asked pardon of the priests and bowed his neck to the yoke in silence. Any number of such cases can be easily produced. The watermaster is a mere thumbscrew for the bishop, and the deeding of every crop is in his hands. ANOTHER FRAUD.

Brigham Young declared that he had received the right and title to all Utah direct from God and no power on earth had any right to grant a title. When the towns were located, however, the sales were regularly entered, but charters were granted by the legislature so extravagantly enlarging the boundaries of the so called "cities" that they covered all the valleys and left no land worth having beyond their limits. The definite bounds were fixed to the lands allowed to be cultivated. These lands were divided into small parcels of of three and five acres each, and "churchdeeds" were given to each purchaser. A! land marks established by the government surveying were destroyed by command of the Mormon authorisies, as it was held to be an insult for the Babylonist government to intrude upon their sacred soil. The power, therefore, exercised over the people was absolute. For withholding tithes from the church or other off:nses of so grave a nature the "deed" to farming land could be revoked and the poor fellow would have no redress but penitence. For lesser offenses water could be withheld. Brigham Young declared "that all governments on earth shall go down before their Kingdom of God and no Latter-Day Saint must ever to man and place to place, and still no one regognize any other authority on earth. If any one appeals to those miscrable scoun- late in the afternoon, the fugitive was this per, 1 345 256; last year, 1,376,681. drels called Judges that the Babylonist government at Washington sent here, he is an enemy of this people and will be treated us such." The penalties for voting contrary to "counsel" the non-payment, of tithes, patronizing a Gentile school, trading at other than the Church store, or in any way aiding or showing countenance to a non Mormon, are terrible even since the days of blood atonement. Social ostracism means much more than mere solitude amor former friends. It means to be regarded a a felon, and to be left to starve without possible means of earning a livelihood,

. THE OPPRESSION PART

"One man well known in Utah once said to me ; "I have long since lost all faith in Mormonism, but if I let the bishop know to starvation." Said another man to me "I haven't the courage to act upon my own convictions. I am compelled to vote a lie but if the government would only step in and separate me and my wives and make it possible for us to live like civilized people we would be happy. And there is many

control all temporal uffairs. All causes, mon a few months ago sold me a house and lot. He was immediately called before the bishop to answer for the crime of befriending a non-Mormon. He was publicly de pounced as an enemy to his people, "cut off" and "turned over to the buffettings of Satan," with the usual curses attending. Another, whose views are undergoing material changes, was, for a similar offense, driven by necessity from home and his family, and compelled to seek employment forty miles away, whereas before his trading with a Gentile he was in comfortable

CRIMES COMMITTED.

On the other band, crimes of theft and murder and outrages too numerous to specify here have been committed by Mormons in good and regular standing without their being subjected even to arrest, much less trial. Two years ago a Gentile was shot down by two Mormon policemen without just cause or provocation in broad day- Last week he sent \$100 to Scoville, his to be Gen. Curtis, of North Carolina. light, and they were never required even of certain other rights is manifest in the fact that there is no marriage law. Mar- different points and features of his photos the prisoner. riages are performed by bishops, justices of precisely as If he were behind a counter the peace, judges of probate and other selling ribbons or lace. Referring to Guicourts and ministers of the gospel, but teau's sanity the writer says the only exthere is no record or certificate either re- ception to the man's perfectly rational and quired or provided for. In many cases it exist. In some cases marriage is merely toon immeria by mutual consent of tics. As there is n cohabitation and no

that and the true t ties that bind busband and wife are neither safe nor sacred. There is neither law or healthful sentiment against incestuous alliances, so that revolting crimes against nature, decency and the ordinary laws regulating civilized communities are of common occurrence, and our polygamous legislature refuses to provide any remedy.

Much more might be written, but I shall not weary you further. If you desire specifications under any or all the alleged irregularities I am prepared to furnish them. Could the honorable members of says, well satisfied with his life, whatever

ous resources. We have here sturdy ele-

ments native and foreign born, who might

become a prosperous and happy people if

their rights and privileges were properly

Wheat for a Wife.

The sympathies (!) of the whole commu-

nity were deeply interested the other day

who came to town to find some new excite-

ment to break the monotony of lome.

proclamation of his wish to get back the

runaway. He liberally offered to any one

who would tell him where she was, a bushel

of wheat, to be paid after his crop was

threshed, and the tempting offer stimulated

interest to the highest pitch. Every body

was sure he had seen the lost one some

where, he could not exactly remember

where, and the searcher was sent from man

was found to earn the reward. At last,

wife was coy and distant; but aft

long conference, she yielded and agree

go back home with the promise of he

crop, and they went on their way reju

The new comet will be visible

the brightest morning star in that 1

the sky. The comet is travelling

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will soon be erecy in Unarreston,

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A \$60,000 statue John C. C.

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-Ashville Citizen.

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controlled by law.

u)ate existing evils and release the paralyz- and notories, enjoys case, and for the first him to escape this time. Another fraud perpetrated upon the ing grasp which Mormonism has upon time in his life a regular ample income. people of Utah is the manner in which they every enterprise, for the social purity and The wretchfeels that even if he be hanged, The extraolinary kind and generous treatment of te government makes his last days the hopiest and most comfortable of his whole life. Certainly no one can see for a clerk? What church wants him for his surroutlings and observe his life without being suched by the remarkable charity and cosideration with which this mis-

crable assesin is allowed to transform the

jail into a place of luxury, comfortable,

allowed to read all the New York and

Washington newspapers, and knows the

change in public scutiment about Garfield.

money-mang and notoriety seeking. showing the d States from 1882 : Por receipts this year, 4 273,272 The deserted husband followed in search, last year, 5358,444. Total overland this quickly made his loss known and new to year, \$10.18, last year, 753,841; of which the modes of advertising, made verbal to mills, 39,037; last year, 402,630. To ports this sur, 417,156; last year, 351, 314 In unsit this year, 5,564; last year 16.655. 'o Canada this year, 42.912; last year, 8.616. Exports to Great Britain this year, 1,694,635; last year, 2,113,382. To Chand this year, 40,638; last year, 26,390. to France this year, 271,209 ; last year, 128,640. To Continent this year, 645,163 Aast year, 837,819. At sea between pris this year, 16,260 : last year, 13 653 Total taken by Northern mills found; the happy finder embraced her Stockst ports at the close of March this with all the eagerness of young love. The year, 69,179; last year, 509,373.

> new counterfeit coins that are proof ordinary tests are a silver dollar of nd a \$5 gold piece. The dollar is sly executed, and the silver efect that it will resist the cods until its surface is

A Userul Table

the following table is by 968 yards long contains by 484 yards long contains by 212 yards long contains by 121 yards long contains lde by 198 fee long contains l de by 92 feet long contains l ride by 363 feet long contains I a In Trouble Again.

Franklin J. Moses, an Ex-Governor, in the Role of a Swindler,

NEW YORK, March 29 .- Franklin J. Sr. Louis March 17 .- An editorial letter | Moses, ex-Governor of South Carolina, from Washington in the Post-Dispatch and for many years a professional swingives a long account of a recent visit to dier, was a prisoner to-day at police head-Guiteau in his cell. The writer says quarters, on the charge of swindling Free-Unitenu does not look like any of his born J. Smith, a piano manufacturer, out photographs, nor does he resemble descrip- of \$175.

There are quite a number of similar charges against him, and during the day manifests great engerness to get money, he was identified by a number of his vicand presents no eign of lanacy. He is al- time, who will appear against him to-morlowed to sell his photographs and auto- row at the Toombs Police Court. E. W. Crowell entertained Moses under

day. Most of this money he sends to this the name of Anthony White, of Greenpublisher, Groson, who is getting out an | viile, South Carolina, and cashed his check other edition of his book, "Truth," at the for \$150. author's expense. He has also given some Howard H. Stewart cashed two \$50

money to his sister for things she sent him. checks for Moses, who represented himself

lawver: \$50 to his brother in B s.on, and B. H. Husell, of the Charleston Steamto suspend official duties. The insecurity \$200 to his publisher. He handles green- ship Company, of Boston also writes that backs like a bank teller, and talks about he lost \$320 by the check operations of

Charles R. Flint, a partner of Mayor Grace, wisely declined to cash the checks

Ex-Governor Moses' career has, during common-place talk, during the visit, was the last four years, led him many times to would be impossible to prove marriage, when the name of Gorham, editor of the jail, but each time he has succeeded in cseven where bigamy or polygamy does not National Republican was mentioned; Guicaping punishment. During the reconstruction period in South Carolina he was Governor of the State. Since then he has lived by his wits.

Whin the struggle between Tummany dulwart papers were all abusing Hall and its opponents was hottest last Garfield until God's man come to remove year Moses offered to John D. Townsend, him, and now they abuse God's man. This the lawyer, papers damaging to Mr. Tiloutburst we short, however, and after it den, which he professed to have at his he was agan all calmness and business, home, and the lawyer advanced him money Evidently h thinks he will not hang. He to go and get them. Leaving Mr. Townseems hopefa that in some way he will, to send, he took with him the latter's best use his own anguage, "get relief." He is overcost.

Finally, when the recent scare about Fenian explosives in steamships prevailed he imposed upon one of the great trans-He seemed to be delighted at the publica- Atlantic companies by pretending to have tion of the Bosecrans letters. He is, he discovered a plot to blow up their steamers. He was paid for his secret, and when

Look Out, Young Men.

When it is said of a man, "He droks." and it can be proven, what store wants him a member 2 Who will trust him? What dying man will appoint him his executor? He may have been forty yeary in building his reputation-it goes down. Letters of recommendation, the backing of business firms, a brilliant apocalry cannot save. The world shies off. Why? It is whispered all through the community, "He drinks, he drinks!' When a young man loces his reputation for sobriety, he might as well be at the bottom of the sca There are young men here who have their good name as their only capital. Your father has started you out in eity life. He could only give you an education. He started you, however, under Christian influences You have come to the city. You are now achieving your own fortune, under God, by your own right arm. Now look out, young man, that there is no doubt of your sobriety. Do not create a y suspicion by going in and out of liquor establishments, or by any edor of your breath, or by any glare of your eyes, or by any unnatural flush of your cheek. You cannot afford to do it, for your good name is your only capital, and when that is blasted with the reputation of taking strong drink, all is gone.

What "Wife" Means.

Says Ruskin: What do you think the autiful wore "wife" comes from? It is great word in which the English and p languages conquered the French and

om? The

ds is that

house-wives or moths, remember that. In the deep you must either weave men's fortunes them to deay. Wherever a true omes, home is always around her. ars may be over her head, the glowin the night's cold grass may be the at her teet, but home is where she is, noble woman it stretches far ad her, than houses ceiled with r or pain ed with milion—shedding giet light for those who eas are homethis, I believe, is the woman a ros

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