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UTAH MORMONS' FAMILIES.

Instances of Anti-Race Suicide Effect of Polygamy.
 William E. Curtis, writing from Salt Lake City to The Chicago Record-Herald.

In going about Utah one finds that large families are the fashion among the Mormons, and you often hear it said that they can always be distinguished from the Gentiles by the size of their families. We were talking the other day about a certain gentleman, when somebody inquired if he were a Mormon.

"I don't think he is," was the reply; "for he has only two children."

Families of 10, 12 and 15 children are usual, and you hear of 20 and 25 children frequently. The first presidency, the apostles, bishops, elders and other leaders of the Church have set a good example in this respect. Heber C. Kimball, one of Joseph Smith's and Brigham Young's lieutenants, was the father of 65 children. I believe that is the largest family on record. Brigham Young had 56 sons and daughters, John W. Hess had 53, Bishop Hunsacker and Bishop William H. Maughn each had 43, Thomas E. Ricks had 42, and at the time of his death, in 1901, he had 154 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. Hess lived to enjoy the society of 253 grandchildren and 43 great-grandchildren.

Orson Pratt, the ablest writer and theologian of the Church, had 16 sons, 16 daughters and 43 grandchildren living at the time of his death in 1881, and had buried 13 children. M. W. Merrill, one of the 12 apostles, and Joseph F. Smith, first president of the Church today, each has 42 children; Hyrum Crossen, 39; Thomas Callister, 32; J. W. Sevey 31; Bishop E. F. Sheets and former Representative George Q. Cannon had 28 each; Angus M. Cannon, 27; Edward D. Wooley, 26; Bishop John Horne, 25; Charles Kelley, 24; Samuel Roskelley, 22; George A. Smith, James C. Snow and Henson Walker, each 20. These figures are taken from the census reports, and there may be many other families equally as large.

The father of the largest family I have heard of was Laurin Farr of Ogden, who had 302 living descendants—39 children, 20 sons and 19 daughters, of whom 30 are still living, 18 sons and 12 daughters; 296 grand-children, and 66 great-grandchildren.

All of Mr. Farr's sons and daughters are married and have children. All of them are prosperous. There has not been one failure among them. Almost every profession and trade is represented in the family. Of the 18 living sons, several are merchants, several are farmers, two are lawyers and two are doctors. Of the 12 sons-in-law, four are farmers, 3 are in business and the rest are practicing the professions.

And, what is equally extraordinary, Mr. Farr's brother Enoch had 26 and his brother Allen 20 children, which with their grandchildren, made what is probably the largest family in the world—three brothers with 710 living descendants. Every one of them over sixteen years of age is self-supporting, while there are several rich men among the number.

Mr. Farr and his brothers were born at Waterford, Vt., and he had six wives. His first wife, Nancy Chase, bore him eleven children; his second wife, Sarah Giles, bore him nine children; his third wife, Olive A. Jones, seven children; his fifth wife, Mary B. Freeman, six children and his sixth wife, Nickoline Erriesson, six children. Clare Jane Bates, his seventh wife, whom he married at the age of 81, had no children.

A RATTLESNAKE RANCH.

Its Stock Captured by Mexicans—How the Virus Secured.
 World's Magazine.

A rattlesnake ranch does not seem a particularly inviting sort of estate, but F. B. Anthony of Brownsville, Tex., has made a small fortune out of his.

The rattlesnake ranch—everything is a ranch in Texas—is a tract of land surrounded by a high fence of boards. There are no doorways of any kind, entrance being effected by means of ladders over the top.

Inside the space is divided into three enclosures for the safety and comfort of the snakes, some species of which are deadly enemies to others. Brush and dried grass afford hiding places and shade.

In these pens and in boxes in which the snakes are shipped hundreds of snakes, many of them monsters in size, are kept in stock. The snakes are captured by Mexicans all over Texas, Mexico, Arizona and other States and Territories, and are sent in with the certainty of sale, for Mr. Anthony always has a market for them.

The Mexican snake hunter punches the snake with a stick until the infuriated reptile coils to strike, meantime keeping up a rattle which sounds like a clock running down. A loop of leather attached to the top of the stick is then deftly dropped over the snake's head, and from that time, rattle he ever so fiercely, he is a helpless captive.

All tales of the distance to which a rattler can leap to the contrary notwithstanding, he cannot leap at all or strike beyond half his length, and if a third of him is off the ground he can neither coil nor strike. His captor next drags him ignominiously to camp, where he is handled with an immense pair of wooden tongs.

It takes a strong man to negotiate an enraged rattler when fully aroused and writhing with his immense power of muscle, for the creatures weigh many pounds and are from 6 to 9 feet long. The snake is next put into a box with a sliding lid. This lid is carefully drawn back until the snake protrudes his head and is then shot forward so as to clinch the neck behind the head. The snake is then helpless to strike.

The snake's head is now forced back over the side of the box until the jaws open, a glass is held conveniently and the head released, whereupon the jaws close on the rim of the glass just as if the snake had struck. This is done to collect the deadly virus, which runs down the side into the glass and is bottled for sale to physicians and chemists of an inquiring frame of mind for experiment.

Woman's Association.

Exchange.

In the West and probably, in many other parts of the country women are being employed at the railway stations to guide women and children who come as strangers from the trains. They wear a badge bearing the words, "Woman's Protective Association." Strangers can approach one of these women, whereas they might reluctantly hold back and hesitate to address even an officer for desired information relative to routes and the like. Women of education, refinement and good breeding are taking those places, and it is hoped that, ere long, women will be installed in every railroad station throughout the country for this very purpose. The service is what any timid woman traveler would appreciate and most women are timid when traveling alone.

THE POPE ONCE KNEW POVERTY.

Head of the Catholic Church Still Carries a Nickel Watch Worth Only Two Dollars.

Poverty has never been to Pope Pius the Tenth a virtue but riches, at least for him, a sin, and this sin at least he has ever been free from. All through his life as a parish priest, as Bishop of Mantua and as Patriarch of Venice, he has shared everything he has had with the more needy about him.

When he was first made bishop one of his sisters wrote anxiously to him: "Beppo (his pet name, how shall I cook for you now that you have become bishop?" To which the good sarto replied, "The same as you always have, just as much and no more." As Patriarch of Venice his salary amounted to twenty-three thousand lire annually, which is approximately forty-five hundred dollars. With this he always supported ten poor students in the seminary, allowing each one hundred dollars a year, contributed to the support of his mother and sisters, and lived most economically himself.

From time to time when it became necessary for him to renew his vestments, he would hunt about to find a second-hand one that some more aristocratic punctilious prelate had discarded. When he became cardinal the violet cincture or broad belt which he had worn as bishop had to be changed to red, so Sarto gave it to a dyeing establishment and, though the job was never done satisfactorily he continued to wear this recolored sash in preference to spending money for a new one.

All his life he has carried a nickel watch, which cost about ten francs, or two dollars. This he always wore in his vest pocket, secured by an ordinary black cord. After he had been made cardinal, he was presented by a wealthy gentleman with a gold watch. The cardinal wore the gold watch for a few days, but it literally burned a hole in his pocket, and when he came presently upon someone who needed the worth of the watch more than he needed the watch, he sold it. Prince Frederic of Schoenburg-Waldenburg sent as a New Year's gift a handsome gold watch, studded with brilliants. The Pope accepted the gift, but in thanking the prince, told him frankly that he should continue to carry his old nickel timepiece. Once at a conference Sarto was asked the time, and pulling out his old watch, "I can tell you the time. Nickel watches keep very good time."—The Delineator for December.

Big Yields of Corn in Wake.

Raleigh, Nov. 3.—In the Wake county corn contest the following reports have been made of yields of corn: J. F. Batts, Garner, 226 2-3 bushels an acre; W. H. Robbins, Raleigh, 157 1-2; G. M. Williams, Raleigh, 100 1-7; C. M. Allen, Jr., Auburn, 85; L. M. Knott, Wendell, 80; G. W. House, Raleigh, 76. Other reports are yet to be received and the account of the yields will be given to the press and also an account of those to whom premiums are to be awarded.

Won't Slight a Good Friend.

"If ever I need a cough medicine again I know what to get," declares Mrs. A. L. Alley of Beals, Me., "for, after using ten bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery, and seeing its excellent results in my own family and others, I am convinced it is the best medicine made for Coughs, Colds and lung trouble." Every one who tries it feels just that way. Relief is felt at once and its quick cure surprises you. For Bronchitis, Asthma, Hemorrhage, La-Grippe, Croup, Sore Throat, pain in chest or lungs its supreme. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Ashcraft Drug Co.

DON'T GO WEST.

At any Rate Not if You Are Poor and Have Consumption.
 Post Graduate.

Fully, 7,180 persons hopelessly diseased with tuberculosis annually come to die in the States of California, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas and Colorado, most of them by order of their physicians. The statement, which is based upon the testimony of well-known experts and all available statistics, shows that at least 50 per cent of those who go to the Southwest every year for their health are so far advanced in their disease that they cannot hope for a cure in any climate under any circumstances.

More than this, at least 60 per cent of these advanced cases are so poor that they have not sufficient means to provide for the proper necessities of life, which means that 4,315 consumptives are either starved to death or forced to accept charitable relief every year.

It is not an uncommon thing, the National Association declares for whole families, who can hardly eke out a living in the East, to migrate to the West in the hope of saving the life of some member of the family. In most instances the abject poverty of such cases forces them to beg or to live on a very low level.

Often consumptives who cannot afford the traveling accommodations are found dead on the trains before reaching their destination. The resources of almost every charitable organization in the Southwest are drained every year to care for cases which would be self-supporting in their Eastern homes.

It costs on an average at least \$50 per month for the support of a consumptive in the Southwest, including some medical attention. The National Association strongly urges no one to go to this section who has not sufficient funds to care for himself at least one year in addition to what his family might require of him during this time.

It is also urged that no persons who are far advanced with tuberculosis go to so distant a climate. Consumption can be cured or arrested in any section of the United States and the percentage of cures in the East and the West is nearly the same.

Flying Records Broken.

College Park, Md., Nov. 3.—Flying records were broken in more ways than one of the government aviation field today. In the morning Lieutenants Humphreys and Foulouis of the signal corps remained in the air 31 3-4 minutes, and in doing so exceeded all endurance records that have been made by any of the pupils of Wright brothers in this country.

As a two man flight it was but 10 1-4 minutes short of the longest previous record made by Wilbur Wright. It exceeded by three minutes the endurance run flight made by Lieutenant Lahm alone last Monday.

The second notable flight of the day was with Lieutenant Commander Sweet of the navy as a passenger. Mr. Sweet's weight was 17 pounds in excess of that of any other passenger who has been taken up here. Lieutenant Lahm remained in the air 8 3-4 minutes with Mr. Sweet.

Wilbur Wright left for New York today to meet his brother, Orville, upon his return here to further instruct his pupils unless his presence is especially needed.

Lame back comes on suddenly and is extremely painful. It is caused by rheumatism of the muscles. Quick relief is afforded by applying Chamberlain's Liniment. Sold by Gwyn Drug Store.

Stokes County Fair.

Winston Salem Journal.

Nov. 4.—A Journal representative visited the Stokes county fair at King yesterday and was amazed at the wonderful farm exhibits. There is a good deal of friendly rivalry among the farmers and they are endeavoring to keep pace with those kings of the farm, W. A. and F. E. Petree.

The newspaper man was told that a farmer who attended the fair last year and saw what some of his neighbors had done went home with the determination to carry off a prize this fall. He did more than that—he won two second prizes. Next year he will win first prizes.

The farm exhibit of Mr. W. A. Petree was the finest individual exhibit that The Journal man has ever seen. It contained everything grown on a large farm, including twelve different kinds of hay feed, from straw to clover and alfalfa. The exhibit of corn by Mr. F. E. Petree was enough to make any man marvel.

Mr. Wilk James displayed some of the richest looking tobacco ever seen. Mr. F. E. Petree's exhibit of apples should have been seen by every farmer in this section. Mr. C. B. Watson of this city spent most of his time looking at this fruit, and he found out all about how the crop was grown. Mr. Petree uses a spray; he sees that every germ is killed in the spring and his trees produce nothing but the finest fruit.

The agricultural exhibits were not as large as those at the Piedmont fair, but the exhibits by the women were. The handiwork of the women of Stokes county would compare favorably with that of any county.

It is understood that the fair is to be even better next year. There was some complaint about there not being enough attractions, but the products of the farm should have held the attention of all. Stokes is a great county and is coming unto her own.

Wanted a Preacher to Settle a Bet.

Chicago Record-Herald.

"Is there a preacher on this train?" asked a large, dark visaged man, as he passed from one sleeper to another. At last after he had loudly repeated his query for the fifth or sixth time, a grave-looking gentleman laid aside a book and rose from a seat near one end of the car. "I have the privilege of being a minister of the gospel, sir," he said; "can I be of any service to you?"

"Yes," said the large passenger. "A fellow back in the dining car has bet me \$5 that it wasn't Lot's wife who got Joseph into trouble, and I thought you might have a Bible with you, so I could prove he was wrong and get the money."

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PELLEGRA 20 YEARS.

Has Existed This Long in South Carolina—Defined as Other Diseases.

Washington, Nov. 6.—There is a very general opinion among the local physicians of Charleston, S. C., that Pellagra has existed there for probably 20 years or more, but incorrectly diagnosed as eczema, dysintery, intestinal tuberculosis, etc., with dementia complication.

The above statement is made in a report to the Public Health and Marine Hospital Service by Acting Assistant Surgeon Sams, on duty in the South Carolina City. He says pellagra as such has been but recently recognized there, the first case having come under treatment in March, 1909. During that year there were five deaths and a similar number have occurred thus far this year.

A table is given showing conditions in 19 cases from the recognition of the disease in March 1908, but Dr. Sams thinks that to be less than the actual number of cases.

HELPFUL HINTS ON HAIR HEALTH.

Scalp and Hair Troubles Generally Caused by Carelessness.

Dandruff is a contagious disease caused by a microbe which also produces baldness. Never use a comb or brush belonging to some one else. No matter how cleanly the owner may be, these articles may be infected with microbes, which will your infect scalp. It is far easier to catch hair microbes, which will infect your scalp. It is far easier to catch hair microbes than it is to get rid of them, and a single stroke of an infected comb or brush may lead to baldness. Never try on anybody else's hat. Many a hatband is a resting place for microbes.

If you happen to have dandruff, itching scalp, falling hair or baldness, we have a remedy which we believe will completely relieve these troubles. We are so sure of this that we offer it to you with the understanding that it will cost you nothing for the trial if it does not produce the results we claim. This remedy is called Rexall "98" Hair Tonic. We honestly believe it to be the most scientific remedy for scalp and hair troubles, and we know of nothing else that equals it for effectiveness, because of the results it has produced in thousands of cases.

Rexall "98" Hair tonic is devised to banish dandruff, restore natural color when its loss has been brought about by disease, and make the hair naturally silky, soft and glossy. It does this because it stimulates the hair follicles, destroys the germ matter, and brings about a free, healthy circulation of blood, which nourishes the hair roots, causing them to tighten and grow new hair. We want everybody who has any trouble with hair or scalp to know that Rexall "98" Hair Tonic is the best hair tonic and restorative in existence, and no one should scoff at or doubt this statement until they have put our claims to a fair test, with the understanding that they pay us nothing for the remedy if it does not give full and complete satisfaction in every particular. Two sizes, 50 cents and \$1.00. Remember you can obtain Rexall Remedies in Mt. Airy only at our store, —The Rexall Store. The Ashcraft Drug Co.

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