..The Planet..

S. STEPHENSON, — Proprietor.

THE CITY'S SERVANTS DIFFERENTLY TREATED.

We feel very sure that when Ald. Scane realizes the unfair treatment that has been meted out to the city engineer. he will be one of the first to try and right the wrong. He laid down principles in the Jacques case which apply with equal force to that of Engineer Shackleton. For instance, the property committee brought in a report recommending the dismissal of Chief Jacques. Ald. Scane opposed the report on the ground that Jacques had not been heard in his own defence by the committee. He protested against any man being condemned unheard, and his protest was so effective that the report was sent back to give the accused a chance to appear on his own behalf.

Well, surely Ald. Scane, whom we know to be just and fairminded, will not make flesh of Jacques and fish of Shackleton? No charge has been proved against the city engineer. He has not had any chance to defend himself. He has been beheaded without charge, trial or conviction. Surely Ald. Scane cannot approve of that? Let us treat the City Engineer fairly. If there is anything against him, let the board of works investigate it, and when that is done the council can impartially pass on the report.

WHY MORMONISM FLOURISHES AND PROGRESSES.

There is a very interesting article in a recent issue of Harper's Weekly on "The Secret of Mormon Success." To most readers this, as the writer, W. E. Smythe, intimates, would seem a rather unfortunate title, as the general impression is that Mormonism has ceased to be if it ever was, a successful; in fact the Mormon Question has disappeared. Nothing can be further from the truth; never was Mormonism, Mr. Smythe says, stronger and more prosperous than it was to-day. For half a century war has been waged upon it. But as against these efforts the writer places two facts. (1) That even in the old staid State of Maine, Mormon converts are being made and Mormon principles, accepted as never before; and (2) That, within the last few months the Mormon Church has purchased immense tracts of land for colonization purposes in the Big Horn Country of Wyoming. This is the country in which Col. Cody ("Buffalo Bill") was interested; and he selected this region on account of its great natural advantages and its proximity to the mining camps, which will afford a market to the settlers. Thirty thousand of these settlers will be sent in this season; and this is but one instance among many. This leads the writer to consider what it is that gives this strength and vitality to the system. For its success cannot be denied: the arid plains of the west have been made to blossom as the rose; its banking and mercantile institutions have survived shocks under which others have fallen; and in the States, Canada and Mexico, it is pushing its way.

What has given the system this success, which "is written on the face of the earth"? It is not polygamy. That is a tenet of the faith that has been laid aside for a time. To use the writer's words, "Polygamy is merely the ornamental buckle on its shoe. Behind that is the sturdy body and the enterprising brain of a great Materialism, which promises attractions far more potent than a plurality of wives. When the missionaries of other churches speak chiefly of security in the life to come, Mormon missionaries add the prescription for security here, and now. The missionary who holds out the hope of three square meals a day in this world has a striking advantage over his rival who deals only in the hopes of "futurity." "Those, in fact, who ask the Mormon Church for bread, do not get a stone; they get an irrigated farm." This is, the writer says, what has always been lost sight of by those who have discussed the Mormon question from its economic side. It has had two great pillars: John Smith, who discovered the Golden Plates and gave it its religious tenets, and Brigham Young, who gave it its marvellous economic system. This sysetm rests on two principles: colonization and co-operation. Each of these Mormonism has put into effect with marvellous skill and success. It colonizes, for example, intelligently, not blindly; that is, it gathers the settlers into little village groups, encourages recreation and amusements, advances money, provides staples at the lowest price, and so on. For all this it asks one thing, and one thing only; obedience; and to escape the stress and strain of modern competitive life, a good many persons are only too ready to yield this obedience. Mr. Smythe sums up the matter thus: That if the American people profit by the great economic lesson which Mormonism has been teaching for 50 years, Mormonism will die out; if they do not, Mormonism will flourish more and more. That great lesson is, of course, the successful bringing together of the three factors? Labor, Capital, Land. There is plenty of land, there is plenty of labor, there is any amount of capital; and yet tens of thousands of persons willing to work are starving to-day in the United States and Canada.

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OUR WICKED NEIGHBORS.

Statistics of crime in the United States for the last year of the nineteenth century have been published, and show that with the increase of population crime keeps apace. Murders and suicides increased 25 per cent, equal to one fifth in the past ten years. There were 6,775 suicides in the year 1900, one of every five being women. Despondency is given as the chief cause of suicide, both among the poor and ignorant and the better educated. The suicides averaged a fraction over 28 for each day in the year. There were 107 cases of lynching in the South, against eight in the North. Eighty persons were legally hanged in the South, and 39 in the North, allowing one lynching and one hanging for every three days in the year. The amount stolen during the past year by public officials, bank officers, agents, by forgeries from loan associations, by postmasters and miscellaneous stealing, was $4,660,134, of which which bank officers stole $1,857,761.i

Why take the salary—a paltry one for an engineer at best—away from a citizen and give it to an outsider?

Abraham Lincoln, the man of the people, whose birthday was celebrated on Tuesday in the United States, was a son of Thomas Lincoln and Nancy Hanks Lincoln, born Feb. 12, 1809, in the then Harden county, now La Rue, Kentucky. He was shot Good Friday night, April 14, 1865, dying 22 minutes past 7 the next morning.

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The county council of Bruce is of opinion that the new county council act is a failure.—Windsor Record.

Is there any necessity for county councils at all? Couldn't the township bodies look after it all?

A rural member in the New York legislature proposed a bill to regulate the number of oysters in a stew. He must have been attending a church social, and felt done up. His bill did not pass.

Engineer Shackleton prepared the plans and superintended the laying of the King St. pavement, which was a $20,000 job. He made it a work worthy of any city in America. But he did not get thank you for his pains. And because somebody made a $35 blunder in a sewer connection a new council, which had no chance of familiarizing itself with his ability, at once proceeded to dismiss him.

The health department in Chicago had one of the police stations fumigated the other day on account of a small-pox victim that had spent a night in the cells. The station was badly infested with rats, and after it had been thoroughly fumigated with formaldehyde there was a general exodus of rats. Milkmen in large cities use formaldehyde to keep milk sweet. It is a villainous compound to mix with milk, but its use as a rat exterminator is a new discovery.

A CRANK AGAINST COVERED VEHICLES.

Hamilton Spectator.

The deadly covered vehicle has been at it again. This time thirteen young Chatham fools in a covered sleigh attempted to cross a railway, their chatter drowning the noise of the coming of the train. The sleigh was smashed, but none of the lucky thirteen was killed, although a few were hurt.

STEEL COMBINE REACHING OUT.

Lake Superior Iron Mines and Rockefeller Boats May be Taken in.

Extent of the Harmonizing Process May be Greater Than Heretofore Expected.

New York, Feb. 15.—It is learned from a Federal Steel Co., director that it has been determined not to make the proposed $17,000,000 bond issue of the company which will be projected for the establishment of new plants to compete with Carnegie. Competition between these concerns will, of course, have been done away with. It is also learned that it is the expectation of the promoters of the combination to absorb the various corporations which it was previously thought it would control, simply by ownership of a majority of the stock. While the plans of the Morgan interests contemplate a greater absorption of steel corporations than has been generally supposed, not all of the concerns to be taken in may enter the combination at once. The projectors are willing to go a little slow.

Not only are the Carnegie, Federal Steel, National Steel, American Steel and Wire, National Tube and American Bridge companies and the Moore properties—the steel hoop, sheet steel and tinplate concerns—to be ultimately consolidated, but the $30,000,000 Lake Superior consolidated iron mines are likely to be also in the combination. This is a Rockefeller concern, and controls a great and valuable ore territory, as well as a line of boats, all of which will be valuable to the big combination.

A prominent director of the Federal Steel Co., when asked on what basis the various companies would go into the new combination, said:

"The plan provides for the purchase by stock of the new company of all the stock of each of the companies to be taken in. The capitalization will about equal the present combined capitalization. Those who desire to retain old stock may do so, but I think all the stockholders of the old companies will make the exchange.

"The minority stockholders will have their stock valued on the same basis as Mr. Carnegie. Obviously in a matter of this kind, everything must be done fairly and equitably, and all will get the same price except that Carnegie will receive bonds, while the minority holders are paid in stock. The Carnegie Co., is being taken in at a handsome price, and the other concerns will no doubt expect like generous treatment."

THREE EXCURSIONS TO WASHINGTON, D. C.

Via Lehigh Valley Railroad, Feb. 7th, April 4th, and May 14th. Tickets good to return within ten days. Good for stop off at Philadelphia and Baltimore. Tickets only $10 for the round trip from Suspension Bridge. Trains leave Suspension Bridge at 7.30 a. m., 3.00, 6.50 and 9.00 p. m. Pullman on evening train from Buffalo to Philadelphia. For tickets and Pullman accommodation call on or address Robt. S. Lewis, Canadian Passenger Agent, 33 Yong Street, Board Trade Building Toronto.

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Miss Lydia Hubble, of Detroit, is the guest of Miss Ridley.

Ed. Ridley and Frank Magee are at Erieau putting up ice this week.

Born, on Jan. 26th, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Craig, a daughter.

Peter Smith has purchased the house and barn on the lot of Mr. Davis, and will remove them to Rushton's Corners.

UP THE CREEK.

A tramp that M. J. Wilson sheltered on Sunday night decamped in the morning with a pair of fur gauntlets. Mike soon after took up the trail and came up with the fellow near Northwood, secured his gloves and gave the rascal such a shaking that made his eyes bulge out.

We respectfully suggest that a test be made this coming season of the city's mineral water as a spray for fruit trees and vines. Who knows but it might exterminate the San Jose scale.

C. Stewart is preparing to make extensive improvements in his residence.

Wm. Law, Botany, has leased W. Reed's farm for a term of years.

Will Zimmer, who has been ailing for years past with diabetes, succumbed to the disease Thursday.

J. M. Houston's horse ran away yesterday. The animal was found an hour later in Sheldon's lane.

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