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Weather Forecast. Forecast for the ensuing twenty-four hours: For Northern California--Scattering rains, except fair in the southern portion; generally cooler.

PROTECTION OF AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS.

On the 18th of January there was introduced into both houses of Congress the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States:

ARTICLE XVII. No State shall pass any law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof, or using its property or credit, or any money raised by taxation, or authorizing either to be used, for the purpose of founding, maintaining or aiding, by appropriation, payment for services, expenses of otherwise, any church, religious denomination or religious society, or any institution, society or undertaking which is wholly or in part under sectarian or ecclesiastical control.

In 1876 President Grant having advised such an amendment, and in a message to Congress invited the attention of that body to it, after many forms of it were submitted, the original one, introduced by Mr. Blaine, with some slight amendment, received the indorsement of the House of Representatives by the remarkably emphatic vote of 180 to 78, not voting, this being a two-thirds vote as required by the Constitution. It then went to the Senate and was debated and failed to receive the necessary two-thirds vote, the vote being 28 to 16, and the reason for the rejection being that in the form in which it came from the House it applied only to use of funds for public schools, and permitted by indirection, what it claimed to condemn directly. In the form given above the proposed amendment is believed to avoid the objections raised, by friends of the principle involved, to the former one.

This new form is proposed by "The National League for the Protection of American Institutions." This association was organized in 1889, and in that year was incorporated under the laws of New York. It now numbers many thousands of members, and at its head is John Jay, the distinguished diplomatist, author, lawyer and publicist of New York, a grandson of the famous patriot, Chief Justice John Jay of the revolutionary period, the friend of Washington, the agent of the American revolutionists in Europe, the author of the Constitution of New York, our first Minister to England and the father of the famous "Jay Treaty" with Great Britain.

Dr. James M. King of New York is the Secretary of the new organization, and among its directors and committees are such names as H. H. Boyesen, John D. Slayback, William H. Parsons, Henry K. Carroll, William Story, William Fellows Morgan, Cephas Brainerd, Dorman B. Eaton and William Allen Butler. In its earliest list of membership we find some of the foremost citizens, side by side, irrespective of party allegiance, such as William H. Arnold, Cornelius N. Bliss, D. F. Appleton, Abram S. Hewitt, Frederick D. Grant, A. W. Greely, Mathew Hale, Henry C. Lea, Joseph Medill, Levi P. Morton, Vice-President of the United States; Francis Parkman, Richard M. Hunt, Andrew S. Draper, David S. Jordan, ex-Justice William Strong, General T. J. Morgan, William Allen Butler, Albert J. Russell, Francis Wayland, Frederick Law Olmstead, ex-President Hayes, Horatio King, George William Curtis, Austin Corbin, Arthur Gilman, Cyrus W. Field, John Claflin, Edwin Booth, Russell Sage, Charles Scribner, Richard S. Storrs, Bancroft Davis, William E. Dodge, Judge Noah Davis, Horace Porter, Rossiter Johnson, E. C. Stedman, and so on through a more representative list of American names than has been in modern times appended to any association roster.

The declarations of this league, its principles and purposes, are embodied in the proposed amendment, or, in other words, the separation of church and State, the preservation of the free school system, and the inhibition of sectarian appropriations. It is unquestionably the best thought of the purest patriotism of the nation, that it is the part of prudence and wisdom to have such an amendment adopted as a safeguard to American institutions, and to insure the country against possible disturbing interjection of policies that would cause angry friction and possibly imperil the peace and harmony under which our prosperity and toleration are promoted.

It seems to us that there is no reasonable argument to be advanced against the proposed amendment. The strongest that can be made is that it trenches upon the right of each State to conduct its domestic affairs as it sees fit. But it is because of the absence of constitutional prohibition that there is a possible danger that sectarian ambition may run to the extent of imperiling national safety and personal liberty. The reasons for the amendment are not found in any antagonism, hatred or contempt for any religion; on the contrary, some of the best arguments for the amendment are based upon the undeniable truth that such a provision is the very best of protection for churches, insuring to each perfect freedom from political encroachment by another.

We cannot close our eyes to the fact that hot contests and violent contention have rent the harmony of the people of more than one State because of sectarian appropriations and legislation. Against all such this amendment is wisely leveled. It means that it shall be more plainly and emphatically declared that Church and State shall be separate and kept distinct, and that no church or sect shall enjoy the advantage of the use of State moneys, but that all such funds shall be used only for the political purposes of the State, and the welfare of the people, regardless of creed or sect.

Friends of the amendment see with as much of shame as of alarm that the division of State moneys among denominational societies develops a mercenary and unchristian feeling, destroys the

spirit of self-helpfulness and projects into politics church organizations, not only to the hurt of the State, but of the church itself. It gives life to bitterness, enkindles and keeps alive unworthy prejudices and colors politics with sectarian prejudices and feeling that must terminate disastrously to free government if unchecked.

There never was among a free people a politico-ecclesiastical controversy that was not harmful to both contestants; and wherever such vexatious causes of distrust, jealousy and unchristian spirit exist there is a partial paralysis of the patriotic spirit and prostitution of the true office of freedom. Wherever such matters are effectually removed from political affairs there is the greatest repose, trust and harmony and the broadest and truest toleration.

We are not of those who believe that these are the worst days or that the republic is on the verge of imminent danger; that the march of progress is stayed or that the forces of free government have been exhausted. Nevertheless, neglect may bring on disaster, and political greed, corrupted by subtle and selfish influences, menaces the preservative virtue of liberty. It is, therefore, the part of statesmanship and loyalty to national principles to fortify against all possible misunderstanding of our institutions, and the creeping in of any doctrines that may give us a harvest of in-harmony and assault.

The American spirit cannot suffer languor and be safe; constitutional guards must be maintained and strengthened against the introduction of legislation that in any manner looks toward an alliance between Church and State, or the breaking down of the unsectarian character of our system. Civil and religious liberty are alike menaced when any public money is used for any sectarian purpose.

Denominational claims upon benevolence may be, and most are, very strong, but they are not claims of the character which should be addressed to the State. Schools and institutions of learning promoted by individual contributions are, in the main, worthy and to be approved, but not one by any contention of legislation should become a beneficiary of the State or the Nation that is in any degree sectarian. All such aid is an assault upon the public common school system, and fraught with infinite harm to free and unsectarian government. The Nation gives to all creeds and beliefs the broadest liberty, the most unrestrained freedom known to the history of civilization; they must not be permitted by neglect of constitutional inhibition to begin an invasion that if unchecked will destroy the very system that makes toleration possible.

THE SHORT STORY.

The short story is a feature of modern literature, engaging more the attention of authors and publishers than any other form of fiction. Is it because the age is one of such rush and push that people will not take time to read an elaborated novel? Or is it evidence of a growing taste for conciseness as superior literary style? In the Atlantic Monthly Mr. Brander Mathews makes the "short-story," as he insists upon writing it, the subject of an interesting review. It certainly is true that whereas twenty years, nay, a decade ago, the short story was only a corner-filler or padding for a volume else too lean, it is now distinctly filling a direct and paying demand to almost the exclusion of the long story. The serial is falling into disfavor, and continued stories in other publications than leading magazines no longer pay. The new demand has resulted in the birth of a host of publications containing only complete stories, and generally a large group of them. Within a year, says the Philadelphia Times, more than two dozen volumes of short stories have been issued and have all found ready sale.

Of course adequate character sketching, word-painting and analysis are sacrificed for dramatic action in the short story; but on the other hand there is gain in intensity, in vigor, in color, and in rapidity. One could not think coolly of John Halifax, or Mr. Isaacs, or John Inglesant being shortened by so much as a line. No literary work such as characterizes those masterpieces could be touched by brevity and not be ruined. But writers of the first order, the most accomplished romancers of the age, are bending all their energies nowadays to the production of the short story, because it meets a popular taste and for less labor brings higher money returns.

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OF THE

Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Co.

Hartford, Conn.

Net Assets, January 1, 1891.....\$7,289,094 04

RECEIVED IN 1891.

For Premiums.....\$4,594,814 55 For Interest and Rents 3,218,384 27 Profit and Loss..... 81,190 18 \$7,894,479 00 \$65,958,573 04

DISBURSED IN 1891.

For claims by death and matured endowments.....\$4,126,317 24 For interest on 1,161,209 56 Lapsed and Surrendered Policies..... 527,844 22

TOTAL TO POLICY-HOLDERS.....\$8,315,371 02

Commissions to Agents, Salaries, Medical Examiners' Fees, Printing, Advertising, Legal, Real Estate and all other expenses..... 778,639 74 \$8,315,371 02

Balance Net Assets, Dec. 31, 1891.....\$8,207,794 88

SCHEDULE OF ASSETS.

Loans upon Real Estate, first lien.....\$36,417,372 87 Loans upon Stocks and Bonds..... 39,782 50 Premium Notes owned in force 1,569,573 30 Cost of Real Estate owned by the Company 7,185,284 70

Cost of United States and other Bonds..... 11,420,898 39 Cost of Bank and Railroad Stocks 406,985 25 Cash in Banks..... 1,166,668 85 Bills receivable..... 1,645 90 Balance due from Agents, secured 8,289 02

ADD.....\$88,207,794 88

Interest due and accrued..... \$944,190 26 Rent accrued..... 7,110 65 Market value of stocks and bonds over cost 425,487 70 Net deferred premiums..... 153,896 46 \$1,530,680 07

GROSS ASSETS, Dec. 31, 1891.....\$99,738,479 95

LIABILITIES:

Amount required to reimburse all outstanding Policies, net, Com. Company's standard.....\$52,765,312 00 All other liabilities..... 914,012 14 \$53,679,324 14

SURPLUS by Company's standard \$6,059,153 81

SCRIPES by State Report will exceed..... 6,550,000 00

Ratio of expenses of management to receipts in 1891..... 3.98 per cent.

Policies in force Dec. 31, 1891, 64,794, insuring.....\$155,943,655 00

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I DESIRE TO PUBLICLY EXTEND MY sincere thanks to the many friends who so kindly aided me during the sickness and at the death of my beloved wife, and who consoled me in my bereavement. I wish to particularly thank Capital City and Rising Star Agencies of Berkeley, Mrs. B. Pettit, Mrs. J. H. Middlemas, Mrs. Charles Adams and Mrs. William Ellis. It FRANK HAFER.

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OFFICE: No. 1010 Fourth Street, Sacramento.

NOTICE OF THE SALE OF BONDS.

Referring to the above, I beg to advise that the firm of Mills & Hawk has been dissolved by mutual consent, and that I have accepted by the said firm, and have become the agency of this well-known and reliable Company, and am no longer connected with the Union Insurance Company of California, which has discontinued business. All matters relating to Real Estate, Loans and Insurance entrusted to me will have my personal attention, and I respectfully solicit for the COMMERCIAL UNION a share of your business, and a continuation of past favors.

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At 15c PER PAIR--One assorted lot of Ladies' Hosiery.

At 25c EACH there will be Baby Caps, Ladies' and Children's Knit Underwear, Ladies' Aprons, Children's Aprons, quite an assorted lot of Muslin Underwear, Wool Fascinators, Sacques and Fancy Pins.

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TOM SCOTT, Regular Republican Nominee for FIRE COMMISSIONER.

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Railroad Time Table.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY

(PACIFIC SYSTEM) DECEMBER 6, 1891.

Trains Leave and are Due to Arrive at Sacramento:

LEAVE TRAINS RUN DAILY ARRIVE

6:50 A. Callistoga and Napa..... 11:05 A.

8:00 P. Callistoga and Napa..... 7:40 A.

10:50 P. Vallejo and Callistoga..... 8:40 P.

7:00 P. Ashland and Portland..... 4:30 P.

7:40 P. Fleming, El Paso and East..... 6:35 P.

7:30 P. Knight Liding and Oroville..... 7:40 A.

10:40 A. Los Angeles..... 10:30 A.

Ogden and East--Second Class..... 6:45 P.

11:55 A. Ogden and East..... 7:40 A.

Central Atlantic Express..... 10:30 A.

8:00 P. Piedmont via Roseville..... 10:30 A.

8:30 A. Red Bluff via Marysville..... 10:30 A.

10:30 A. Stockton and Galt..... 8:40 P.

4:35 A. San Francisco via Benicia..... 11:05 A.

6:50 A. San Francisco via Benicia..... 11:30 A.

8:00 A. San Francisco via Benicia..... 8:35 P.

3:05 P. San Francisco via Benicia..... 9:40 P.

7:05 P. San Francisco via Benicia..... 10:30 P.

1:00 P. San Francisco via steamer..... 6:00 A.

10:40 A. San Fran. via Livermore..... 2:50 P.

10:40 A. Santa Barbara..... 6:45 P.

7:00 P. Santa Barbara..... 10:30 A.

6:50 A. Santa Rosa..... 11:05 A.

8:00 P. Stockton and Galt..... 8:40 P.

8:30 A. Stockton and Galt..... 2:50 P.

10:40 A. Stockton and Galt..... 6:35 P.

7:00 P. Truckee and Reno..... 7:40 A.

11:55 A. Vallejo..... 8:40 P.

8:05 P. Vallejo..... 11:05 A.

*8:20 P. Folsom and Placerville..... 10:20 A.

*12:15 P. Folsom and Placerville..... 10:20 A.

*4:45 P. Folsom..... 8:00 A.

*Sunday excepted, Sunday only Mondays excepted. For morning train for afternoon.

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