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OLD FOLKS ENTERTAINMENT.

The Old Folks committee have arranged for a special entertainment to the aged of this city, on Friday afternoon, January 31st.

A GOOD MESSAGE.

Mayor Ezra Thompson's message to the City Council will be found in full in another part of this issue of the "News."

A POLAR STORY.

According to a story in the Chicago American, an explorer, Sergeant Julius R. Frederick, one of the heroes of the Greely expedition, has recently made a statement which is sure to again stimulate curiosity as to the real conditions in the region nearest the North Pole.

In proof of this assertion he shows photographs of animals inhabiting the high northern latitudes. Ponds and mammals that, during the Arctic summer dwell in the country about the 81st parallel migrate northward when fall sets in.

Sergeant Frederick was one of Greely's "farthest north" expedition. During this trip, it seems, he made some discoveries and observations of a most startling nature.

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public, he gave evidence of a strong mind and an honest heart. It was the same in his business affairs. He met with great reverses, which he believed had at least as much effect upon his life as did the ravages of disease.

TWISTING WILL NOT ANSWER.

We have no desire to keep up a controversy with the Salt Lake Tribune or any other paper, on questions that are not profitable or of public moment, but we do not intend to permit direct misrepresentations of the utterances of the Deseret News to pass without some notice from us.

The language and the subjects presented by the "News" were entirely distorted by the Tribune, and made to appear in the exactly opposite light in which they were presented in our columns.

The Tribune falsely stated the position of the Deseret News on the admissibility of a claim to divine revelation as evidence in a court. We said plainly and repeatedly that "testimony concerning a revelation from God will not stand before the law as evidence against an accused person," also that "it should not be received as evidence in either a secular or an ecclesiastical court."

The Tribune made a long argument professing to reply to the "News," on the assumption that we advocated the admission of such testimony as evidence, and that we claimed that "those who object to the reception of such testimony by the magistrate are disbelievers in the principle of revelation from God."

The question of revelation is not "challenged" whereas the article in the "News" was a reply to a sermon by a minister of this city, in which the principle of revelation was directly challenged.

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veled northward and that their children may still be living at the North Pole. We do not know what credence may be placed in this startling story, but if the explorer is correctly quoted, his views are at least entitled to a hearing.

THE PEACE RUMORS.

For some time rumor has been busy with alleged overtures looking toward the establishment of peace in South Africa. Mr. Balfour, in the House of Commons, now explains that no propositions have been received from anyone authorized to speak in behalf of the Boers.

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the Council prove to be a message of peace! It is quite proper for a steel king to hobnob with a king who wears an iron crown.

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no other fate, open to them than eventual annexation to the United States. Cleveland Plain Dealer.

By far the larger part of the population of the islands purchased from Denmark are negroes and mixed bloods, and of the whites the English preponderate. The English language is that most spoken, aside from the dialects of the blacks and halfbreeds.

The complete novel in Lippincott's Magazine for February is by John Strange Winter (Mrs. Arthur Stannard) and is called "The Standings."

Following the discovery of a gold mine under the Denver city hall, comes an investigation into the management of Denver's municipal affairs. It is a strange coincidence, to say the least.

The Philippines are rapidly developing an affection for our institutions, says Governor Taft. About such an affection as Nicholas Nickleby developed for treacle and sulphur. And for the same reason.

The new Springfield rifle is declared by ordinance officers to be superior to the Krug-Jorgensen, the Mauser or the German rifle. Now let's have a war to prove the superiority of American ingenuity to that of all the world.

Senator Bacon of Georgia thinks that the great American citizen is not getting enough Congressional Record in his intellectual food, so he would place that incomparable periodical within the reach of all by making the price one dollar for the short session and two dollars for the long one.

The limitations of the Danish islands are well known and we have doubtless given all they are worth as a purely commercial enterprise, though it is understood that the government values them mainly for naval purposes.

The digging of the canal across the Isthmus of Panama, however, as now recommended by the Walker commission, would greatly increase the strategic value of the island of St. Thomas to the United States.

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