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THE WAR ON BLACK.

Our profoundly admired morning contemporary down street is in labor over the efforts of Judge Black to secure for Utah a government based upon the Constitution, institutions, theories and laws of the country. One of its editorials was devoted almost exclusively, so far as the editorial department is concerned, to criticism and abuse of the eminent jurist. But why? Its practical effect must be nil, because Black's standing as a jurist is too well defined and too high among those who are unquestionably the best judges, for the attacks of an obscure journal to produce results of any nature; while, morally considered, they can only go for what they would bring in the public market, a valuation which, we imagine, would necessarily be controlled by the demand subsisting for so much material substance gauged by the avoirdupois standard.

Black needs no defense; neither does he require adventitious bolstering. His career is a part of the history of the country. That he is and was a democrat, or that he did or did not sympathize with those who opposed the government during the war, are matters *dehors* the record; the question as to whether he is a profound constitutional lawyer, one whose words are weighty, whose mind is trained, whose education is thorough, whose experience is vast and whose conclusions are correct, or otherwise, is the one with which we have most to do—with which, in fact, at this time, we have exclusively to do.

Judge Black is either an eminent lawyer or an unmitigated humbug. To say that the latter is the case would be much more of a reflection upon the American people than upon the man himself, for it is they who have given him his reputation; we must, therefore, in deference to the discriminating judgment and established principles of intelligent justice of the nation, conclude that he is a great-minded, clear-headed man. The fact that he has espoused as a lawyer a cause which a Salt Lake paper sees fit to oppose will not, in all probability make him the loser; he has undergone opposition composed of much sterner stuff, and flourished; and, while not impervious to attack nor by any means a perfect mortal, it seems reasonable that he should withstand the fusillade from Salt Lake and emerge from the ordeal without a feather ruffled or a hair singed.

THE LONDON *Punch* says that "owing to the mother-in-law, the latch key and the indignant wife, American humor still lives." If the wife and mother-in-law were only to read *Punch's* jokes, such a sound sleep would fall upon them that the unfortunate husband when he comes home tired from the lodge would imagine himself in paradise.

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THE MAMMOTH.

Considerable space this morning is given to an account of the Crisman Mammoth Mine at Tintic, and the manner in which it is now being, and is to be worked. There is probably no question as to the greatness of this property, and it is a matter for general congratulation that it has fallen into the hands of an English company, with men at its head who are competent to work it profitably. Utah has suffered much from the swindling by sharpers of foreign capitalists in the sale of played out or worthless mines, but perhaps no less than from the incompetence of persons who have been sent here to manage the mines—persons wholly unqualified in skill and wanting in business capacity. It may be set down as a rule that where a mine is so far developed as to settle all reasonable doubts in the minds of men of average intelligence as to its extent and permanence, that mine will not be roaming around the country in search of a purchaser. Too often the avaricious nature of man is justly punished in the loss of poorly invested means; for they will pay \$100,000 for a mine which some keen expert assures them will net as many million. The idea that any being will give \$100,000,000 for \$100,000, is so absurd on its face that a child should see through it, and yet shrewd and close business men, as well as those who have more wealth than intellect, are entrapped by the dazzling proposals; and ninety-nine times out of a hundred they are completely sold. The idea is not to discourage mining investments, but to warn people against what should ordinarily be a self-evident folly. The best mine to buy is the one that cannot be bought; the more a person tries to convince you of the untold wealth he is offering for a song, the stronger should be the reason to think it is not the property you want. As a matter of temporary convenience, the more holes in the ground there are worked, the better it is for the country, but such prosperity is certain to end in disaster, for not one claim in a thousand proves to be a successful mine. For the genuine interests of a country, a mine that pays its way, realizes a good profit, employs men and thus helps to build up the internal industries of a country, while begetting a confidence in the mining interests, is worth ten thousand claims. The great wealth of the Crisman Mammoth is unquestioned, we believe; in the few months Mr. Butler Johnstone has controlled it, the mine has been brought to the level of the Ontario and the Horn Silver, and is ranked with them; and those who are competent judges, pronounce it for its favorable surroundings and other conditions, superior to the older ones. As to this, the HERALD expresses no opinion; it only sees in the Mammoth a mine which has given new life to a district that has never been fairly tried; a mine which will give constant employment to hundreds of men, which will prove to foreign capitalists that money wisely invested in Utah is well invested, that all Utah mines are not a swindle, and that this country gives scope in a thousand directions for the judicious investment of money, with a more than reasonable certainty of gratifying results. Mr. Johnstone is to be congratulated in the possession of so great and valuable a mine, and the Territory is to be congratulated that this meritorious property has fallen into hands where it will be worked to a profit and to the credit of the Territory. There is reason in Mr. Johnstone's belief that Tintic will yet be the Swansea of Utah.

A GENTLEMAN in Lincoln, Neb., is the happy possessor of an autograph letter written by Abraham Lincoln from Springfield, Ill., April 25, 1859, to Mr. T. J. Picketts, a personal friend in Rock Island, in which he said: "As to the other matter you kindly mention, I must, in candor, say I do not think myself fit for the Presidency. I certainly am flattered and gratified that some partial friends think of me in that connection, but I really think it best for our cause that no concerted effort, such as you suggest, should be made. Let this be considered confidential."

THE Columbus (Ohio) *State Journal* comments upon the unpleasant fact that great floods in the Ohio River have been followed by deadly pestilences, those of 1832 and 1847 being followed by the cholera epidemic, which was very destructive to life.

THE COMMITTEE of the Philadelphia society for alleviating the miseries of public prisons, have formally thanked Governor Butler, of Massachusetts, for allowing the prisoners in Concord prison to send him sealed letters setting forth their treatment by the officers. They say: "We feel it a duty to recognize the action of others, although in another state, when it be in behalf of the prisoner, especially when we remember that the aim of our society has been for the past ninety-six years to defend those who, being in prison, were unable to defend themselves."

THE NEW YORK *Medical Record* tells of a conscientious English druggist in the town of Burslem, who, on discovering that he had by mistake compounded for a stranger medicine containing deadly poison, hired a bellman to go about the streets warning the patient, whoever he might be, not to take the dangerous drug. It is to be hoped that a man who was thus willing to advertise his mistake to the whole community for the sake of obviating evil consequences suffered nothing by his conscientious conduct.

A Humbugging Monkey.

The anthropoid apes are a somewhat taciturn race, but a chimpanzee's murmur of affection is very expressive, and quite different from his grunt of discontent. A sick orang-outang sheds tears, moans piteously, or cries like a pettish child; but such symptoms are rather deceptive, for the orang, as well as the chimpanzee, is a great mimic, not of men only, but of passions and pathological conditions. Two years ago I took temporary charge of a young chimpanzee who was awaiting shipment to the Pacific Coast. His former landlord seemed to have indulged him in a penchant for rummaging boxes and coffers, for whenever I attempted to circumscribe the limits of that pastime my boarder tried to bring down the house, metaphorically and literally, by throwing himself upon the floor and tugging violently at the curtains and bell-ropes. If that failed to soften my heart, Pansy became sick. With groans and sobs he would lie down in a corner, preparing to shed the mortal coil, and adjusting the pathos of the closing scene to the degree of obstinacy. One day he had set his heart upon exploring the letter department of my chest of drawers, and, after driving him off several times, I locked the door and pocketed the key. Pansy did not suspect the full meaning of my act till he pulled at the knob and squinted through the key-hole, but, when he realized the truth, life ceased to be worth living; he collapsed at once, and had hardly strength enough left to drag himself to the stove. There he lay, bemoaning his untimely fate, and stretching his legs as if the *rigor mortis* had already overcome his lower extremities. Ten minutes later his copper was brought in, and I directed the boy to leave the basket behind the stove, in full sight of my guest. But Pansy's eyes assumed a far-off expression; earth had lost its charms; the inhumanity of man to man had made him sick of this vale of tears. Meaning to try him, I accompanied the boy to the staircase, and the victim of my cruelty gave me a parting look of intense reproach as I left the room. But, stepping back on tiptoe, we managed to come upon him unaware, and Pansy looked rather sheepish when we caught him in the act of enjoying an excellent meal. — *Popular Science Monthly*.

Bernhardt's Husband.

New York, 24.—Sarah Bernhardt's husband has written to the *Gaulois* that he will leave the theatre for the army. He says: "France, which treats my wife like a spoiled child, will, I hope, have room for me under the shadow of her flag. I renounce my dream of being an actor and this very day enlist in the foreign legion and solicit the favor of letters of naturalization."

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Estate of John P. Flynn, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY the undersigned, executor of the estate of John P. Flynn, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice, to the said William H. Bird, at his office in Salt Lake City, in the County of Salt Lake.

WILLIAM H. BIRD,
Executor of the estate of John P. Flynn, deceased.

Dated at Salt Lake City, February 20th, 1883.

LEGAL NOTICE.

In the Probate Court for the County of Salt Lake, Territory of Utah.

In the matter of the estate and guardianship of Mary A. Carmichael, an imbecile.

JONATHAN M. WILLIAMSON,

guardian of the person and estate of Mary A. Carmichael, imbecile, having filed this day his petition duly verified, praying for an order of sale of certain real estate of said Ward, for the purpose of paying debts due from said Ward, and to provide a fund for the maintenance and support of said Ward; and it appearing from said petition that such order of sale is necessary for said purpose, it is therefore ordered that the next of kin of said Mary A. Carmichael and all persons interested in her said estate appear before our said court on the second day of April, A. D. 1883, at 10 A. M., at the County Court House in Salt Lake City, in the County and Territory aforesaid to show cause, if any they have, why an order should not be granted to the said guardian to sell said real estate of said ward either at public or private sale as shall, at the hearing of said petition, be deemed best; and that a copy of this order be published at least three successive weeks in the Salt Lake Daily Herald, a newspaper published in and having general circulation in Salt Lake City in said county of Salt Lake.

Dated this 12th day of Febr., A. D. 1883.

E. SMITH,

Judge Probate Court Salt Lake County.

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