

TROUBLES OF SAINTS.

Mormon Apostles and Joseph Smith's Last Revelation.

ITS TRUTH IS DOUBTED.

Dissatisfied Ones Argue That the Lord Would Not Use the Word "If."

GREAT UNREST IS CAUSED.

Now Come a Number of Elders Who Boldly Discourage Prophet Worship.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 12.—The "saints" in session at Independence are just now in a peck of trouble. It appears that a lengthy revelation purporting to be from God was received by Joseph Smith a year ago, which made some important disclosures, and that the twelve, in body, have not endorsed the revelation. Some members of the twelve claim to have received testimony of God as to the truth of the revelation, but others cannot see it that way.

The revelation in dispute says that the supposed vacancy in the presidency was not a vacancy in the eyes of God. David Smith, who was the third member of that body, is not dead, as has been supposed by many of the council, but is insane and now confined in the Illinois asylum and has been so confined during the last twenty years. David H. Smith is a brother of the present president and was expected to be the successor of Joseph as head of the church. A large number of the church ministry regard the revelation of last year as an indication on the part of Joseph Smith that he did not intend to receive any revelations filling the vacancy until his brother died. One peculiarity of the revelation is the reference to the prayer headed by the church for the patriarch, Apostle Thomas W. Smith, who was at that time very ill. The revelation reads:

"My servant, Thomas W. Smith, is in my hand, and his bishopric shall be continued for a season. If he fully recover, he will enter again the work. If I take him to myself, another will be appointed in his stead when the quorum is filled."

Many of the elders claim God in his infinite knowledge would not use the word "if" in speaking of the result of the illness and recovery of his apostle. The same revelation chides the members of the church for not placing full confidence in the president and his revelations of the divine will.

The twelve's not having approved this revelation as of God is causing much unrest. A number of the elders and ministry are discouraging "prophet worship," and one of the young elders boldly announced that he was not a worshiper of the prophet, but simply a follower of John and proclaiming his gospel.

A resolution was discussed providing for the appointment of a board of directors for the "Saints' College, now building at Lamoni, Iowa. A number of the delegates wanted the college to be exclusively a "saints" college, and that no outsiders be allowed on the board of directors. The committee decided to open the college to all and place two outsiders on the board of directors. The question of a meeting for conference in 1896 brought up more opposition. The vote was close, but Kirtland, Ohio, was chosen instead of Lamoni, Iowa.

The evening session was protracted and developed a serious split in the conference. At the general conference two years ago there was a resolution introduced stating that it was the sense of the church that in the administration of the sacrament the teachers, deacons and laity were not empowered to assist even in the passage of the plate or cup. It was thought at that time that it was adopted, but the minutes failed to show it that way, and to-day the resolution was again brought forward by Apostle Lambert and taken up for argument.

The venerable counselor of the president, W. W. Blair, said the views expressed in the resolution were not in harmony with the rules of the church, and that he was bound to accept the utterances of the president as the best exposition of the rules of the church. Where the laws of the church needed an explanation or exposition the chosen man of the church was the one above all others best prepared to make plain the meaning of the word.

This brought out the real issues behind the matter. Was President Smith to rule and interpret or was the church?

A few of the delegates took sides on the question, the debate lasting several hours. When the vote was finally taken on the resolution it was adopted by a vote of 110 to 20. The president then read the list of appointments for the coming year. It contained several hundred names and included the following:

Iowa, East Nebraska, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, North Illinois and Wisconsin—A. H. Smith, J. R. Lambert.

European Mission—James Caffall, G. T. Griffith.

The Canadas—J. H. Lake.

Missouri and Kansas—Joseph Luff.

Michigan and Northern Indiana—E. C. Briggs.

Rocky Mountain Mission—H. C. Smith. New England States—W. H. Keeley, with Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ohio, Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland and District of Columbia added.

Colorado, East Wyoming, West Nebraska and New Mexico—G. W. Gillen.

The impending crisis in European affairs awakens universal alarm. Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder is the most pacific mediator always.

Enthusiastic Silver Men.

NEW YORK, N. Y., April 12.—Ex-Senator Warner Miller has recently been in Chicago. He discovered that there are many free silver advocates in that part of the country. He says: "The prairie seems to be on fire with sentiment in favor of free coinage. I believe the feeling permeates many Western States."

Smallpox in Illinois.

PADUCAH, KY., April 12.—News to-day from Shawneetown, Ill., is that there are thirty-nine cases of smallpox there. There is said to be great excitement and many citizens have left the town temporarily. One case was discovered in Paducah today, a negro being the victim.

"Trilby" Injunction.

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Bros. and A. M. Palmer restraining Nellie G. Anthony from producing scenes from "Trilby" at the Eden Musee. Harper Bros. own the copyright for Trilby in the United States, and they have leased the right to A. M. Palmer, who will produce the play at the Garden Theater on Monday or Friday. The lawyers will appear before Judge LaCombe and ask that a permanent injunction be granted.

FINANCES OF CHICAGO.

The City Controller Explains a Sensational Statement.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 12.—City Controller Wetherell denies a sensational statement credited to him that the city finances are about \$6,000,000 short. The Controller says the floating debt of the city is about \$4,000,000, an amount no larger than usual for some time past at this season of the year. The tax in process of collection is ample to much more than meet it. Each year for several administrations the city had run behind and perhaps no more the past year than any previous ones. As a result of the improved method under the new administration of Mayor Swift, now beginning, it is expected that this will be rectified and the floating debt be nearly if not altogether wiped out.

Murder of a Chinese Merchant.

NOGALES, N. M., April 12.—Quong Sing Lung, a Chinese merchant of Nogales, Mexico, was murdered last night in his store by unknown parties. His jugular vein was cut. A string of twine tied around his neck finished the work.

SPREADS TO THEM ALL.

Western Roads Are Increasing the Home-Seekers' Excursions.

From the Tennessee Midland Comes a Cry for Release From a Boycott.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 12.—The propensity for running home-seekers' excursions has spread to all the Western roads. The Iowa lines to-day came up with the request that the excursions be made to points in Northwestern Iowa as well as to Kansas, Nebraska and the Southwest. The request will undoubtedly be granted. The Alton to-day announced it would make its rate for home-seekers' excursions to all points in Texas and other Southern points one fare, plus \$2. This is in conformity with the rates adopted by the other Western lines to points in the Dakotas, Wyoming, Montana, Kansas and Nebraska.

C. W. Cook, general freight and passenger agent of the Indiana, Illinois and Iowa road, has resigned. His successor is S. S. Whitehead, who has been with the "Three I's" for a long time. Mr. Whitehead's appointment becomes effective April 15.

A cry has been sent up by the Tennessee Midland. It desires relief from the boycott which the Western roads have maintained against it for nearly eighteen months. During the World's Fair the Tennessee Midland adopted methods of putting its tickets in the Western markets which created not a little demoralization among the Western lines. They protested vigorously, but the Tennessee Midland was obdurate. It kept up its work until the Western lines refused to handle any tickets of its issue. Now the offending road is desirous that business relations between it and the Western lines be resumed, and has promised that if the boycott is lifted it will carefully abstain from violating any rules governing the sale of tickets over the Western roads.

MAY BREAK THE DEADLOCK.

Set Some Hope of Electing a Senator in Delaware.

DOVER, Del., April 12.—There is a probability that the deadlock for a United States Senator to succeed Anthony J. Higgins will be broken within a few days. The ground for this prophecy is the statement made to-day by Senator Hanby, the leader of the Addicks faction, that the next United States Senator would be George Massey, and that he would be chosen within the next three weeks.

Since the death of the late Governor Manville there has been a disposition on the part of Higgins' and Addicks' followers to unite on some one favorable to both factions. The statement of Senator Hanby that Massey would eventually be elected looks as if the Addicks people were weakening, as it had been known all along that Addicks was very bitter against Massey because he allowed his name to go before the caucus. The hundred and ninth ballot taken to-day resulted as follows: Higgins 9, Addicks 5, Massey 4, Pennewill 2, Ridgely 6, Bayard 1.

GETS TEN THOUSAND.

Compromise of a Conductor Who Was Injured in a Standard Oil Car.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 12.—Mike Tierney, a former freight conductor on the Louisville and Nashville road, has effected a compromise with the Standard Oil Company in his suit for \$25,000 damages. Tierney had previously obtained two verdicts in the lower court, the first being for \$25,000 and the second for \$20,000. Each of these verdicts was reversed by the Court of Appeals, however. The Standard Oil Company, through its attorneys, Messrs. Humphrey and Davie, have now compromised with Tierney for \$10,000. A few months ago Tierney, while a conductor, was blown up in a naphtha explosion. He entered the car where the explosive material was stored with a lighted lantern, thinking the car only contained oil. He was led to believe from a label on the car. He was seriously injured by the explosion, and lingered between life and death for some time. He has regained his health, but will be disfigured for life.

Dorchester Swept by Fire.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., April 12.—Dorchester, a small town on the Wisconsin Central Railroad, in Clark County, was swept by fire yesterday and nearly half of the business portion destroyed. The loss is \$30,000, partly insured.

Pearls of the sea! Gems of the ocean!

The lightest breakfast gems spring to the call of Price's Baking Powder.

To Extend the Bond.

DENVER, Colo., April 12.—Frank Trumbull, the receiver of the Gulf road, has just sold \$300,000 worth of receiver's certificates to Denver parties for the purpose of building the road from Trinidad to Walsenburg, as directed by the United States court.

Cuban Buildings Burned.

HAVANA, CUBA, April 12.—Mires Bros.' warehouse and two other commercial buildings at Matanzas, a seaport fifty-two miles east of this city, burned last night. The loss is over \$100,000.

Boys' Easter Suits.

Boys' All-wool Knee Pants Suits, double knees, seats and elbows, \$2 50 each. Young Gents' Double-breasted Sack Suits, in cheviot, \$12. L. V. Marie, the old 1 X L, 616 to 620 Kearny street, corner Commercial.

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NO LONGER EXISTS.

Death of the Once All-Powerful Whisky Trust.

DIRECTORS RULED OUT.

All Properties of the Concern to Be Sold by the Receiver.

PROCEEDS TO BE DISTRIBUTED.

An Order That Upholds Charges Made Against the Negligent Officials.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 12.—The properties of the whisky trust will be sold to the highest bidder. Judge Showalter of the United States Circuit Court, in an order issued to-day, admitted that the trust no longer had a legal existence. The board of directors was charged with having deserted its trusteeship; that it had no quorum, and any election of a new board would not enable them to reacquire the property from the receiver. The court directed that the receiver sell the property and "that the proceeds be distributed among those entitled thereto." The attorneys for the Greenhut faction and for the stockholders consented to the action of the court.

The bill upon which the order was based was brought before Judge Showalter at 3 o'clock. It was an application for a receiver by Stephen D. Bohrer of New York, owner of 500 shares, and D. C. Bennett of Albany, N. Y., owner of 500 shares of the stock of the Distilling and Cattle-feeding Company.

"I cannot tell you what influence there is behind the filing of the bill," said Attorney Gresham, who represented the petitioners, "whether incited by Mr. Greenhut's people or by the others. The bill speaks for itself."

The divergence in this bill from the original bill begins with a recital that the last meeting of the board of directors was held February 1. Since the directors have abandoned their trust and paid no attention to its affairs, it claims, the sole management has been in the hands of John McNulta, receiver.

The resignation of Nelson Morris left the board consisting of Messrs. Greenhut, Hobart, Greene, Freiberg, Hennessy and Boggs. On April 8, the complainants aver, Hobart, Greene and Freiberg resigned.

There are but three directors left, and the bill alleges that they do not constitute a quorum and that they cannot fill the vacancies.

The bill then recites that the Attorney-General of the State, by quo warranto proceedings, attacked the charter of the trust, and that the lower court held that it was forfeited, and the issue is now pending before the Supreme Court of the State. The prayer of the bill to which the order was granted by Judge Showalter adheres is as follows:

"That by an order entered herein the said John McNulta may be appointed receiver of all the property and effects of said defendant company and invested with full title thereto as receiver, and that all of the officers, managers, superintendents, agents and employees of said defendant company shall be required forthwith to deliver up to such receiver the possession of each and every part of said property, wherever situated, and also all books and accounts, vouchers and papers in any way relating to its business or the operation thereof or an injunction to restrain each and every officer, director, superintendent, manager, agents and employees of said defendant from in any way interfering with the possession and control of said receiver over said property, and that at such time as may be found just and proper the property of said defendant may be ordered to be sold and the proceeds distributed among those entitled thereto."

"That there was no opposition to the bill," said Mr. Gresham after the attorneys left the chamber.

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