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Illusion

We all have, at least, an idea of what is meant by the term "illusion." In the plain phrase of the day, it means a process, or scheme by which one is fooled.

How often have we been deluded as to a person's real character. How often have we been deluded as to the value of property or as to the merit of financial propositions.

How often have we been deluded as to matters concerning their personal welfare and concerning the salvation of their immortal souls.

May it not be possible that we are deluding ourselves or permitting ourselves to be deluded into a belief that the persons whose names we see oftentime in the papers are really leaders of action and thought?

And yet to read the newspapers one might think that hereabouts if a person is not tinged, at least, with the quality that prevails in the clown or buffoon, he need not aspire to leadership or a place in the front rank.

Alas, Poor Sloat!

Rochester is always interested in the Hon. Jacob Sloat Fassett. He was graduated from the University of Rochester. He was nominated in Rochester for governor in Rochester in 1891, that eventful year when Edward Murphy and Rowell P. Flower "cleaned up" the republicans all over the state and laid the way for David B. Hill to go to the United States Senate.

Fassett married a rich wife and went to Congress for a term or two, his national experience does not seem to have taught him much sense as we find him lately writing a magazine article in which he makes the astonishing statement that "all the education the masses in the Philippines ever had is what the United States government schools have imparted to them during the last fourteen years."

If Mr. Fassett says what he does intentionally and deliberately then he must be listed as belonging, in spirit at least, to the Guardians of Liberty.

Probably, Thomas G. Platt knew his man when he said that Sloat Fassett was erratic and not evenly balanced.

Disgraceful

No matter who is responsible for it, the situation at Albany is a disgrace to the State of New York. Demoralized State departments, legislative leaders hurling denunciation at the chief executive and the latter retorting in kind, charges and counter-charges, all combine to make up a state of affairs not at all complimentary to the reputation of the great Empire State.

Out of the mass of vitriolic statements one is able to gather that all the fault is not on one side. Possibly, Mr. Murphy may not admire Governor Sulzer; perhaps, Governor Sulzer has a grain of justice in his claim that he is the rightful leader of his party.

Evidently, "the unspeakable Turk" is not yet off the map of Europe.

Carnival season is now upon us. Well, it helps out in the hot weather.

The bigot usually is a miserable person. He hates himself at times.

In civil and judicial life Catholics have distinguished themselves just as well as their non-Catholic associates.

Evidently the ultra-radicals want to again gain control of Rochester's schools. With the political bosses be ready to trade this year?

If the politicians know when they are well off, they will not try to use the schools as a basis for bargaining on the city Hall offices.

Let us have industrial and political peace!

Would it not be well to put a time limit on the duration of state legislative sessions?

One effective antidote to bigoted publications is a subscription to a Catholic paper.

What we need is more parental knowledge of and guidance of our school system.



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