

AN ODISIOUS PROPOSITION.

THE coolness with which some people talk about the total disfranchisement of the people of Utah, recommend the abolition of the Territorial Legislature and the investment of its functions and powers in an appointed body of Commissioners, is a bad sign. Already have a large number of people been punished, by disfranchisement, without the regular process of the Courts. That was an entering wedge which, if driven home, will result in the gradual destruction of the Republic. What can be rendered practicable in Utah can be made elsewhere by men devoid of all scruples of conscience and inspired by ulterior motives.

Those who are the loudest in their demands for extreme anti-Mormon measures are the most boisterous in their pretended advocacy of human freedom, proclaiming for liberty and political slavery in one breath. They are grotesquely inconsistent. The Latter-day Saints are assured by them that so far as their religious belief is concerned, they shall not be interfered with. Only give up the peculiar marital institution and all will be well.

We assert that so far as those who demand the appointment of a Commission for Utah is concerned, they seek to interfere with and punish for religious belief. Those who have been ruled as having any connection with the practice of polygamy, even if they entered that relation before there was any law on the subject, have been disfranchised. What for? The answer is equal qualification answers that question. Because they were or at some time had been in the practice of that marital system.

The appointment of a Commission would place the non-polygamic Latter-day Saints in the same situation of political disability and comparative slavery. On what ground would this be done? Not on the score of belief in a system that includes a specific kind of marriage in its faith as well as its practice? Plainly such an atrocious measure would be punishment for and interference with religious belief. It is anti-republican, and its advocates should be viewed as the enemies of the country. That is their position. Let none of the advocates of such a detestable measure play the hypocrite by pretending that the religious belief of the "Mormons" is not aimed at. The subterfuge is too transparent. Such enemies to the commonwealth stand conspicuously out in all the naked deformity of inconsistency to the clear-sighted.

The claim that Congress has the right to deal with the Territories as it pleases is absurd. The Constitution does not give the right to power under heaven to discriminate unjustly against any people within the limits of the United States. That sacred instrument expressly forbids such a course. And when people are punished for alleged offenses against the law outside the regular procedure of the Courts it is a violation of the spirit and letter of the Constitution. When men advocate the punishment of people on the ground of religious belief, even without an allegation of practical infringement of the law, they betray an utter disregard for constitutional principles. Their position is, boiled down to a few words, that the law-making power should become a law-breaking machine for the punishment of persons against whom there is not even the tinge of a charge of actual criminality.

MR. BATES IN A BAD WAY. GEORGE C. BATES, noted in this locality principally for the facility with which he can metaphorically turn his coat, is working up a little anti-Mormonist notoriety in Denver. This time he evidently directed himself out to the Congressmen to denigrate the Latter-day Saints, as he lectured on a recent Monday evening in a Church of that sect. A report of his mental ramblings appears in the Republican, and it does not speak well for the intellectual clearness of that journal that it seems to endorse his falsehoods and fabrications, which are conspicuous for absurdity as well as untruthfulness. But we care nothing for his fabrications and epiphetal utterances. However, the spirit of the unfortunate man, whose wrath has evidently caused him to become bray, is exhibited in the following recommendation, which is: "To amend the Edmunds Bill, so that it shall be so as not merely to disfranchise polygamists, but to deprive them of the privilege of ever being witnesses in any court, or ever holding any office either in a corporation, municipality, town, county or Federal Territory. The test of the Mormon church itself could never be polygamists, and to establish their guilt as polygamists by common reputation, hearsay, or the testimony of the parties themselves, so that polygamists could have no rights except that of living an being, and then to punish them in addition by the severest penalties of the law."

"The immortal bard" says "the quality of mercy is not stretched; it droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven." In the case of such creatures as the "weeping attorney," as he was sometimes called here, we may be allowed to remark that there is an evident tendency to strain. Somebody should take him in charge before he is too far gone. After such a belching of uncleanliness, some friend should wipe his mouth, administer a sedative and see that he is kept in cheerful, charitable and consistent company. These beneficent agents might enable him to reach convalescence if not complete recovery.

OUR CHICAGO LETTER. BEING FOR MORAL EFFORT GETTING SCALE—TEACHING THE HEATHEN—AT HOME—THE SECRET ANTI-MORMON SOCIETY—AN IMPROBABLE PROPOSITION. CHICAGO, Nov. 1, 1883. Editor Deseret News: The Chicago branch of the Liberal League, which met on Sunday evening, is a lively, interesting and

instructive association. At each meeting a lecture on some current debate ensues. Last Sunday evening a Mr. Vickers addressed the meeting and very lively debating ensued. Several speakers, who seemed to represent the great body of business and trade citizens, but who kept aloof from all church organizations, spoke freely on the social condition of our world reformers at home. It is getting to be generally understood that the spring for effect in morality is becoming stale. Farwell Hall is an institution the antipodes of the Liberal League. It is the axis on which revolves the organized evil of the great Northwest. It is the rallying point of Christians bankrupt in exchequer and divinity. It is a school for the heathen, where volunteer instructors abound. Every Sunday, Mongolian manhood and Caucasian femininity mingle in happy harmony on the stage of the great hall, where a Chicago reporter says: "The boys prefer ladies as teachers, they learn faster with them, and there seems to be more sympathy between the boys and the lady teachers." It will be observed that the term boys is used for these staid and hardened pupils, the youngest of whom may be over 24 years of age. The lady teachers are all young and handsome and educated. On happy Christmas, well may you renounce Confucius with all its wisdom and seek the banner of Christ as unfurled by the Farwell Hall Virgins. The moral of all this is that there must be no heathen at home, if so, they must be terribly low down when even a Chinese laundryman is considered more important. The sanitary inspector has not as yet taken cognizance of this matter. I well know that disease is propagated to an alarming extent through this method. The boys live in basements, surrounded with piles of clothes from bagnios, hospitals and pest holes, go on Sunday among well dressed, cleanly people, and the consequence is that measles, scarlet fever, etc., cannot be eradicated out of Chicago. These diseases break out in such different parts of the city that it is plain how they are propagated.

Cleveland, Ohio, has capped the climax of absurdity in its latest development of moralism. It is a sect which organized a secret society with a fund of \$10,000 to suppress Mormonism. The Ohio Christians are terribly alarmed at the progress of Mormonism in the West, and have organized a secret society with a fund of \$10,000 to suppress Mormonism. The Ohio Christians are terribly alarmed at the progress of Mormonism in the West, and have organized a secret society with a fund of \$10,000 to suppress Mormonism.

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from San Francisco on the charge of defaulting Montreal firms and banks and Kidder, Peabody & Co. of this city, of a large amount, was held in \$60,000 bail. Crushed by Coal. ST. JOHN'S, 5.—At the south side of St. John's, N. B., a coal shed fell, crushing several laborers. Two were taken out dead and four others seriously wounded. It is feared others are buried in the coal heap.

TEMPERANCE WORKERS. ABERY PARR, N. J., 5.—Montgomery and Worcester, Christian Temperance Union have decided to turn out to-morrow and work at the polls in favor of the prohibition ticket.

CHICAGO, 4.—The Times' Beton special says: The indications are that Robinson will be elected Governor of Massachusetts to-morrow by from 3000 to 20,000 majority, and that Republicans will gain largely in every county, but Berkshire.

ST. LOUIS, 4.—Sullivan, pugilist, plucked for a picked one on Sunday in the base ball game at St. Louis. He is a treacherous to the field, but proved a wretched failure as a pitcher.

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Five with presents and decorations for the King of Annam. The transport Tongue with French troops left Singapore on the 19th inst. to reinforce the army at Haiphong. A French Destroyer Boy. MELBOURNE, 5.—The Governor of Victoria, proroguing parliament, said the importance of the question of the annexation of New Guinea to Australia is intensified by France's proposal to deposit to New Guinea the worst of her criminals. He declared that it is vitally important that the Australian colonies on islands in the Western Pacific should not come into the possession of a foreign power. And such a sink of pollution as France's contemplated action would make of New Guinea, should not be permitted to exist at the portals of Southern Britain.

Chinese Regulars. HONG KONG, 5.—The difference between the French civil and military officers in Tonquin continues. Admiral Courbet demands to have absolute command. A reconnaissance from Hanoi in the direction of Sonlay shows many black flags posted on the banks of the river near Sonlay. The latter place is defended by two lines of strong fortifications mounting forty heavy guns and a garrison consisting of 2,000 Chinese regulars.

Irish Emigrants. ROME, 5.—On Tuesday next the Pope will hold a consultation with Mr. Erlinton, Cardinal Manning and several American Bishops on the question of Irish emigration to America.

SALT LAKE THEATRE. One Night Only! MONDAY, NOV. 5th. KATE FIELD'S MUSICAL FOLLY, ENTITLED "Eyes & Ears in London" NOVEL, ROMANCO & ENTERTAINING. INCLUDING Original and Characteristic Songs, Imitations of London Society, Etc. Burlesque of Italian Opera. 1883. By kind permission of Gen. McCook, the Sixth Infantry Band will perform before the First and Second yards.

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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS. 1883. ALL PERSONS OWING TERRITORIAL School and County Taxes for the year 1883, are hereby notified that all taxes remaining unpaid on the 1st day of November, 1883, become delinquent, and unless paid immediately will be collected with costs, as required by law. N. V. JONES, Collector. Office No. 8, County Court House, November 1st, 1883. d & w live

NOTICE TO CREDITORS. ESTATE OF MARY M. EVANS DECEASED. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE undersigned, Administrator of the Estate of Mary M. Evans, deceased, to all persons having claims against said estate, to exhibit the same with the necessary vouchers, within four months from the date of the death of said decedent, to the said Administrator at the office of N. V. JONES, Collector, Office No. 8, County Court House, Salt Lake City, Utah, and to the said Administrator at the office of N. V. JONES, Collector, Office No. 8, County Court House, Salt Lake City, Utah, on or before the 1st day of December, 1883. THOMAS FORCHER, Administrator. CHAS. W. FENROSE, Attorney for the Estate. d27 oct 4

ASSESSMENT NOTICE. Utah and Salt Lake Canal Company. Principal Place of Business, Salt Lake City, Utah. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AT a meeting of the Trustees of the Utah and Salt Lake Canal Company, held on the 21st day of October, 1883, an assessment of Three Dollars per share was levied upon the said Canal Company, payable in cash on or before December 15th, 1883, to James W. Fox, Treasurer, at his office in Salt Lake City. Any stock upon which this assessment remains unpaid on said 15th day of December, 1883, will be sold and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before such sale, the purchaser will be bound to pay the delinquent assessment, together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale. Dated October 24th, 1883. D. ROCKWELL, Secretary, Salt Lake City. d & w oct 4

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