

gestion. Saw himself—through a glass, darkly—clothed with military power as an autocrat, and petitioned the President for troops. They were quartered in this city when it was as quiet and peaceful as a country village. The President afterwards found he had been fooled. And when, shortly after, under advice from the same gang, Murray attempted to play the dictator, vetoed the legislative appropriation bill and stopped the financial wheels of the Territory, the President said it was "the last straw" and lopped off Murray's official head. That's how this *Tribune* movement acted upon "the Saints." That was the effect of its manipulation of the then Governor. That should be a warning to the present Executive.

The *Tribune* has been a perpetual and unceasing libeler of the "Mormon" people, and has never fairly and honorably retracted one of its numberless misrepresentations, even when its falsehood has been exposed without a loophole of escape. It is engaged now in another effort for their political destruction, and its influence is a constant menace to the material interests of Utah.

Its course and its mendacity are thoroughly known to old residents here, many of whom—non-"Mormons"—have strongly expressed their detestation of this pest of the pest. But it is not known to new-comers. They will soon find it out. They will see that it is filled with venom and villainous toward all who differ with it on any subject. That it is without honor or magnanimity. That its "arguments" are generally personal abuse of an opponent. That it mistakes epithets for reasoning, and blackguardism for refutation. That it never frankly confesses an error when anything relating to the "Mormons" is in controversy. That it has done more to prevent harmony among different classes and the consequent progress of all material interests in Utah than any other agency can counteract in double the time.

We do not enter into controversy with it except when something of moment to the public makes it necessary. We regard its personal attacks as a compliment. We look upon its hatred as an indication that we are on the right path. We respect an honorable opponent of our faith and party, no matter how strongly he may attack both in sincerity. But we join a host of non-"Mormons" in utterly despising a sheet that seeks to rule this Territory, at the expense of every republican principle and the political life of thousands of splendid citizens who never violated any law; that with-

out scruple or regard for its own reputation denies one day what it said the day before; puts into the lips of an opponent words he never uttered and bases upon them columns of abuse; and that furnishes for eastern papers of more importance the material from which the worst defamations of the people of Utah are fabricated. It is a public nuisance and a public disgrace.

EXPOSES ITS OWN PERFDY.

On February 3rd the morning anti-"Mormon" "Liberal" organ boils over with wild-eyed abuse of this journal because of our exposure of its mad-brained and venomous methods. Unfortunately for itself it touched upon a point where it is particularly putrid. It furnishes the best possible opportunity for a vivid exhibition of its specially decomposed spot, the effluvia from which is offensive to the sense of every individual in instincts above the brute creation. We are almost inclined to ask pardon for quoting from the columns of such a journalistic putrescence, but the situation seems to require that we present this from its latest issue:

"It [the News] refers to the Bishop West letter. The *Tribune* was deceived by that letter, but promptly admitted the truth, and in justification published half a dozen other real Mormon sermons more venomous than that was, and with them closed the mouth of the News on that subject for months."

We propose to reply to this, and with that end in view will quote from the notorious Bishop West bogus "Red Hot Address," which very properly aroused the indignation of "an entire people who were defamed by its publication."

A RED-HOT ADDRESS.

(From the Salt Lake *Tribune*.)

"Stenographical report of Bishop West's harangue in the Juab school-house, Sunday, March 9th, 1884. Reported for the Salt Lake *Tribune*:"

"JUAB, Utah, March 9th.

"It is time my brothers and sisters, that we ceased this cowardly silence and humble submission to the rulings and machinations of the devil and his fieryimps at the capital of this God-forsaken Gentile government; and it is time for us to fling their defiance and scurrilous domination back in their faces. We are the elect of Christ, and the day of judgment is at hand, and it's our turn then if it isn't now, which I say it is. When Gabriel sounds his trumpet on that awful day, the Gentile hellhounds will find the Saints of God have got all the front seats reserved, and that they can't find standing room for themselves in the gallery. The cause is flourishing in the Juab Stake of Zion, and many souls are being daily rescued from the flames of heathenism. If I had my way not a house would be left standing which sheltered a knavish Gentile. They are eyesores in the sight of the Lord and His vengeance is sure to come. They persecute His Saints and He has commanded them to destroy their persecutors. He has commanded

the Saints to rid the earth of the sin-besmudged heretic. He has revealed unto us the foundation of the Gentile church that it is the devil. (II Nephi ch. 4, verse xx.) Hell is filled with the scurrilous Gentiles and the floors of hell are paved with the skulls of apostates. He who kills a Gentile rids the earth of a serpent and adds a star to his own crown. The Saints are gathering together from sea to sea and they will rise in their awful might and fall upon the enemies of Zion. Let the tabernacles resound with joyful voices for the fulfillment of the prophecies of Moroni are at hand. The minions of the devil are set loose in our midst by the crime soaked politicians who rule our land. The shades of the sainted martyr Smith call aloud for vengeance at the hands of his followers. The blood of the Gentile persecutors shall be spilled on their own thresholds to appease the anger of our prophet. Tune the lyre and beat the cymbals for our revenge is now at hand. We will wipe out the seum of the Washington blood suckers and the high priest of the devil who assumes to rule in our very midst shall be cut off with a sharp instrument. The thieving Murray issues orders to the Saints of God, and defies everyone but the devil, who is his sponser. His head will be placed upon the walls of our city and his entrails scattered throughout the streets of Zion, that every Gentile adventurer may behold and take care that we are left to pursue our road to Paradise unmolested. Our strength is greater than the world believes and our will is powerful and undaunted by heretic menaces. The Lord is our shepherd and we cannot fail. Our secret places are stored with crafty explosives with which we will surely destroy the strongholds of the government of Satan. Our young men are drilling for the conflict, and our wives and daughters are making themselves ready to minister to our wants, and the day is close at hand. Let the Gentile leeches and poltroons beware and win our forbearance if yet they may. The Lord is sorely angered at our persecutors, and He has said to our consolors in a vision that He will deliver our enemy into our hands as He delivered Laban into the hands of Nephi. He will visit the earth, through us, with a worse destruction than He did in the days of the flood, and the ungodly will bite the dust with rage, and their blood will flow in the streets of Zion even as much as the waters in the day of Noah. Behold, I declare unto you, all ye Saints who revere the memory of the Prophets, that you must begin to gird up your loins and whet your knives. Let the religious fervor of the Saints who are dead and gone recur to your weaker spirits and fire you with the zeal of the destroying angels. Eli Murray is the Cain of our generation. He hates our people and he works for our destruction that he may win for himself a reputation of valor among the ungodly."

"It was the will of the Most High that this man should be removed, and if other emissaries were chosen to fill his place, even as many as were so chosen should be similarly dealt with. If allowed to remain in our midst, the sin would be on our heads, for it was the command of the Most High God of Abraham and Isaac. It lay in our power to be our own rulers, and our cowardice was the cause of sore distress to the departed Saints who had left us a kingdom. Eli H. Murray was possessed of a devil, and had only the outward semblance of a man. He should and must be trod upon until his howls gushed out in the streets."

The length of the "address" is such as to preclude the practicability of reproducing it in full. Enough is pre-