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A JUDICIAL FARCE.

THE third trial of Apostle Lorenzo Snow was nothing but a broad farce. From first to last it was treated as a useless form, except for the purpose at the head of the venerable gentleman whose family relations were outside the reach of the law, but not beyond an ordered verdict.

Many of the jury had formed part of a previous jury that had convicted him one woman he is to be punished upon the same absence of evidence to whether the law touches his case or be offered in this case. The witnesses gave similar testimony as twice before. The charge was the same, the verdict the same, all was the same, except that do, you'll be damned if you don't. And the counsel for the detendant simply the only safely lies in keeping out of acquiesced in the proceedings, know- the way. The wisdom of those who, ing that the conclusion was fore- foreseeing the course that would be gone. They did not object to the pursued, and perceiving that there was illegal jury, they did not cross-examine no likelihood of a fair trial or a just the witnesses, except to save certain points on appeal, they made no argument, they uttered no protest. There was no deliberation of the jury, there was no expectation of a favorable ver-

dict. The whole thing had a cut and dried appearance. The form had to be gone through that the result might be WE do not suppose that more than one achieved. But for that it was useless, out of every thousand of our readers and the Court might just as well have said: "The defendant is an Apostle of the Church; there is no evidence of of a case of ptomaine poisoning. his living with more than one woman, Quite a controversy has recently arisen but it is necessary for certain reasons that an Apostle should be punished under my jurisdiction, and therefore, as he has acknowledged that he has respected by the officials and the peoseveral wives and lives with one of pie. Dr. Stone, an eminent physcian them, cohabitation with another will who attended him, announced that he be presumed and therefore he is guilty. A trial would be only waste of time. He will be sentenced on the 16th in st." Under such rulings as had been given in the two previous trials for the same offense, there was no reason to hope for a different result. The defendant's all poisonous, but some are are all the time improving, counsel, who had done valiant service said to be exceedingly so. and those who imagine that ignorance in the former trials, were now entirely The poisonous effects in bee-stings, is a necessary concomitant of "Morhelpless. They were not allowed to snake-bites, etc., are due to the presshow what was the law nor the ruling ence of ptomaines. Different people of the highest court of appeal; the dic- are differently affected by them, some tum of the ministure autocrat of the being more susceptible than others to honest and unconstitutional measure First Judicial District was to be the the poison. law and that, he declared, was final.

of striking another predetermined blow quire after their children, would be

deal to say about the sanctity of home, "Mormon" and has married more than the sacred relation of husband and wife, and the unity and integrity of the family, endogsing as "admirable" a not. Cohabiting or not cohabiting measure to compel wives to give evimakes no difference. The sentence dence against their husbands, which appears to be you'll be damned if you has been regarded from time immemorial as contrary to the best interests of society, and calculated to break down the safeguards which law and religion have placed around the institution of marriage.

adjudication, have quietly placed proposition to put under governmental themselves in retirement for a season, control the property of an organized must be evident to all who see things religious body, and to seize upon the with two eves and a level head. funds of a corporation organized

no objection to the establishment of POISONING BY PTOMAINES. government schools in Utah, if the government pays the cost. But we dispute the right of the government, could correctly answer the question, er any other, power, to support such What are Ptomaines? or has ever heard schools with means stolen from the "Mormon" Church, the Perpetual Emigration Fund, or any other private in Omaha over the sudden death of property of individuals or corporahad died from ptomaine poisoning. in one Ward of the great city in which Ptomaines are noxious properties that able paper is published than in which are formed in decayed animal this whole Territory. Our educational

matter. They are found in putrid or facilities are not by any means perfect, tainted fish, beef, mutton, poul- but they will bear favorable comtry, sausage, etc. They are not parison with many others, they monism"'are reckoning upon a groundless basis

Mr. Murphy and his family were al How much respect can the people of affected by some disease which fol-The week of the second of the double-dealing, of word-twisting and larly affected, and treated to the medicine with similar results. The ings and deflance of the highest ju- symptoms were) chills, with vomiting In an article now going the rounds dicial decrees? The three trials of and pains in the shoulders followed by Apostle Snow were rendered a mock- a sore throat. Mr. Marphy was selzed eyy of justice and a burlesque on haw on the Wednesday alternoon, and the by the ridiculous rulings of the Court. remedies applied to him did not have of the press it is asserted that the aight President Lincola was assassinated, Vice-President Johnson would also have been killed could he have And the last trial was but a sham, its the desired effect. He grew worse. formalities but a humbug, its chief fig- On Thursday Dr. Stone was called in. been found. It is said he spent the night with a notorious harlot called ures but actors in a play, its jury but who, after inquiries, said Mr. Murphy puppets that jumped to the pulling of was suffering from promatine poison-"Diamond Annie," and the assassins could not find him. It is also claimed ing caused, by eating tainted chicken. that when he subsequently became The means employed not having the President she was his mistress. If desired effect, another physician was this be true it is only another example called who coincided with Dr. Stone, in addition to the long list previously and their combined wisdom failing to shown up within the memory of the relieve the patient, still another doctor present generation of social corruption was sent for, and after consultation, in high places in this nation and among while other imedicine was being propeople who have been in the habit of holding up their hands in holy horror cured, Mr. Marphy died, a high fever having set in with violent hiccoughs. at the bare mention of plural wives A post mortem examination was had, among the "Mormons," and posing as at which four physicians assisted, and patterns of morality, while daily guilty the autopsy showed bad congestion of of as gross orimes as brought condemthe stomach and intestines. The docnation upon Sodom and Gomorrah. tors agreed that the cause of death was gastro-enteritis. But the cause of the disease is the subject of contro-**CORRESPONDENCE** versy. Dr. Stone maintains his position; the other doctors differ with ROUGH EXPERIENCE. Vala Efforts of Two Elders to Gate abortive by fluids injected into the body by the undertaker, to preserve it. a Footbold in South Caroling. From the discussion that has ensued, PARIS, Spartanburg Co.,

concluded to heed the injunction of Jesus: "If they persecute you in one city, flee ye into another." "They then concluded to give as some-something to eat before starting out, so they called for salmon and crackers and had the pleasure of seeing two "Mormons" appease their hunger. They also gave us a lunch to take with us, making a total cost of 55c for them. Mr. Kay sisked if we might append the night with him, which was consent-ed to by all present. The next morning ed to by all present. The next morning we "shook the dust off our feet" against Anderson Co., and started for Spartanburg, feeling truly thankful to our Heavenly Father that he delivered us from the hands 'of men' who a few hours before were seeking our lives.

more good in the present. WILEY G. CRAGEN, Jos. THORNE But the Union rightly denounces the

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Escaped Convicts

As to the "superstition and ignorance" supposed to exist in this Territory, we assure the Christian Union that there is more of that to be found

seven days 335, being a larger aggregate than for any week since January, 1885 the casualities are exceptionally num erous in the Southern States.

RUTLAND, Vermont, S.-Dr. E. N. Nelson, President of the West Rutland Marble Company, was arrested while a bed this morning, on suspicion o complicity in the Lancaster Bank em-bezzlement. He is prostrated by ex-citement and is under guard at his ouse. We think with the Union that the dis-

Another Hotel Fire.

BUFFALO, N. Y., S .- The SL James will most likely pass the Senate, like some other senseless bills, in a pig-headed anti-"Mormon" fashios, but we do not believe the House will con-sent to such a bare-faced attempt at wholesale robbery, even of the unpop-



sophistry, of disregard of settled meanthe judicial string. The audience-the public-laugh at the poppet-show and hold the whole business in derision. While the laws of .Congress and the

appliances of Courts are used in the manner which has disgraced the Snow trial, instead of that reverence and submission which "Mormons" are expected to ascord to national enactments and judicial proceedings, there will increase in Utah doubt as to the validity of the one and derision and contempt for the course of the other.

HOW CONVICTIONS ARE SECURED.

THE case of James Taylor in the First Judicial District was disposed of in a him. A chemical analysis was rendered similar manner to the second case against Lorenzo Snow. There was, however, but one indictment against the former while there were three for we glean these facts: That attention the same offense against the latter. was first called to the existence and Mr. Taylor was reputed to have three effects of ptomanies in the human body wives. The evidence showed that he by a number of cases of poisoning from had lived with one since the passage of eating insufficiently-cooked sausages. the Edmunds law. Each wife occu- in Swahia, in 1789. Out of 76 cases in pied a separate house. He had visited that year, 37 were fatal. The cause them a few times during the past three | was traced to ptomaines. Many exyears. The understanding of the pubperiments have since been made, and lic in his vicinity was that he had it has been found that similar ceased living with his plural wives. ptomaines existed in the bodies of the But under the ruling of Judge Powers dead to those in the uncaten portions he was found guilty of cohabiting with of tainted food partaken of by the them and now awaits his sentence. patient, and those when administered The people of Utah have, almost to animals have produced death, after

ceased to wonder at the absurdities similar symptoms to those of the poisand contradictions of the courts in oned person. their determination to punish the It is argued that some nations "Mormons." But some may be curious to know on what peculiar quirk or that some persons in the Murphy quibble a man can be convicted of co- household ate of the chicken without habiting with more than one woman, when the evidence is conclusive that he has only consisted with one. It is done in this way: Proof is given that, as a matter of fact, a man has cohabited with one plural wife, but not with any one else. Cohabitation with in their nature, are proven facts. the legal wife is then presumed. Conviction thus is made easy.

There is a certain amount of plausibility to this. In law, cohabitation with a legal wife is presumed. But that presumption is not proof. And it is eaten. There is no need to get up a may be set aside by evidence. If evidence of non-cohabitation is adduced the presumption fails. In the it is in proper condition for food, and Snow case on the second trial the Court instructed the jury that cohabitation with the legal ;wife was to be pre-

S. C., Dec. 31st, 1885. Editor Descret News:

As there is an article going the sounds of the newspapers relative to our be-ing banished from Anderson County, South Carolina, we thought a few facts would be of interest to some of your many readers. On Nov. 12th we bade our friends On Nov. 12th we bade our friends farewell here and took a sunset course, without purse or scrip, in search of the honest in heart. We found people generally greatly prejudiced, and in-varibly were refused school houses in which to hold incetings. Having a let-ter from Brother John Camuings, of Heber City, Utah, requesting us to visit his old friends and relatives in Ander-son County, where he was born and reared, we journeyed in that direction. Passing through Greenville County we round it very difficult to get food and lodgings. Un one occasion after call-ing nine times to stay all night and be-ing refused, we gave our pocket knite

est putrid food with impunity. Also, ing refused, we gave our pocket knite for a bed. This, no doubt, was oc-casioned by the articles which had just been published in the county papers. In the Greenville Weekly News for Nov. 17th, the following editorial apbad results. But this is met peared: "The people in the upper sec-tion of this county who ran the Mor-mon missionaries away idid exactly what they should have done. "" The Mormon Elder must go from this and that some of them are poisonous The lesson to be drawn from this is, region: he must go in a hurry. If the that sputrid and tainted food of all kinds should be avoided, and that

very permanent, excessively quiet, and satisfactory to everybody except the Elder.¹⁹ sausage, veal, pork, poultry, etc., should be thoroughly cooked before it

Elder." Several other articles of a similar character appeared in the Enterprise and Mountaineer. MNot being able to find friends, we were soon in Anderson Co.; this was chicken scare, for poultry is at least as wholesome as any other flesh when only after all, some grave doubts yet re-

"JUMPING FROM THE FRYING PAN INTO e. THE FIRE,"

with the legal wife was to be pre-sumed, after the evidence had proven non-cohabitation. Thus the rule of haw was ruthlessly trampled upon and the instruction of the court was tanta-mount to an order to convict. In the Taylor case the evidence of cohabitation was with the legal wile, so the tactics reserved to in the Saow case would not answer. And "the habit and repute of marriage" with the babit and repute of marriage" with the so the tactics reserved to in the Saow of the witnesses for the prosecution went to show that not only the habit but even the repute cased, after the passage of the Edmunds law, the re-ces" of the Saow of the sage do not succeed in affecting to any appreciable extent.

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the ex-mayor of Omsha

