

LOOK AT THE BRIGHT SIDE.

THE general spirit in which the people who were robbed of the late election accept the situation is one of cheerfulness. This is the result of faith and hope, which pick up the extreme point of view where the natural vision is exhausted, carrying it entirely through the mists of the times to the genial sunshine beyond. There are a few, however, who seem predisposed to look at the dark side of the picture. Those who are imbued with this sombre atmosphere should arouse themselves and emerge from it as soon as possible. This can be done by turning the mind to encouraging probabilities, the basis for which is the grand truth that the Saints are engaged in an indestructible work with an exalted destiny ahead of it.

A careful study of the prophecies of Joseph Smith—a duty incumbent upon every member of the Church—will clearly portray to the mind that they are fulfilled by every new phase that is developed. This fact should not have the effect of lessening the energies of those who believe in his divine mission. It devolves upon them to contend for truth and uphold the principles of genuine liberty until right shall prevail. In the meantime the lessons of experience, the unerring teacher, should be absorbed by the people, that, when the proper time comes, they may effectively lift the standard of freedom and call upon all good men to rally around it and bring order out of national chaos, the leaven of anarchy being even now actively at work in high and low places.

Because the enemies of true liberty in this Territory have been enabled to carry out many of their threats heretofore made, some are inclined to believe that others beginning to be uttered from the same quarter will also be consummated. Already, inflated with the apparent success that has attended their schemes, some of the more rabid and loud-mouthed are asserting that the "Mormons must go." Let it be understood, however, that the Saints are here to stay. They do not intend to evacuate under any circumstances. They came here and redeemed this western country from barrenness and sterility and founded a great commonwealth. An attempt may be made to despoil them by wholesale of their heritage, but if so the scheme will stop short of the fulness of its consummation and the tables will then turn with an unexpected

suddenness that will change the whole aspect of the situation. There is a line beyond which the despoiler will not be able to step. When it is reached the enemy will confront an insurmountable stone wall.

There are many sensible men training with the opposition who would deplore any attempt to consummate the latest threats, by any process. As to their having the courage to put up an effective protest is, in the light of late development, an open question. They would, however, have to elect between two alternatives—the displeasure of the rabidists or an imminent disaster. In any event the "Mormons" will not leave. If they did this western country would go down, and that is not its destiny, although it may be the theatre of many vicissitudes in the near future.

There may be a meaning in emblems. That instinctively adopted by the People was the anchor, significant of secure fastening in an appropriate harbor. The empty carpet-bag is as plainly emblematic of a condition for travel. While there are many non-"Mormons" who are solid residents, men widely identified with the welfare of this region—good and decent citizens who are a valuable element anywhere, there are many others who are not. Divine Providence, in whose just operations we have an implicit belief, may at no distant day produce a sudden transition of circumstances that will induce the floaters to pick up their satchels and seek other fields. Then shall the sun of freedom and real prosperity burst the clouds and send its light and genial warmth over this intermountain region.

FORT CAMERON.

ACCORDING to figures that have been laid before the present session of the Legislature, it will cost \$163,000 to complete the Territorial Insane Asylum at Provo. When that amount of money is expended upon it, it will accommodate from 40 to 50 more patients than are now in it. But there are about 60 insane patients in the Territory in whose behalf applications have been made for admission to the Asylum. In other words, when the Territory shall have paid out \$163,000 more to finish the institution at Provo, it will not accommodate all the patients who are now waiting for its completion.

If these figures are reliable, they

are discouraging. That a quarter of a million dollars should be expended on one institution, which when finished is found to be too small to accommodate the insane patients found in a population no greater than that of this Territory, who are under the necessity of becoming a public charge, is disappointing. These are among the reasons why a proposition has been made to and entertained by the present Legislature, looking to the purchase of Fort Cameron by the Territory for use as a refuge for the insane. The fort is situated near Beaver and comprises a number of handsome and expensive buildings, costing originally in the neighborhood of \$300,000. Ample water privileges and 160 acres of good land are included in the property, whose present owners offer it for \$25,000, less than ten per cent of the first cost of the buildings. The latter are said to be well adapted for the purposes of an insane asylum, and capable of accommodating from 400 to 500 patients.

To establish a branch asylum at Fort Cameron would, of course, necessitate the expense of an additional corps of physicians, nurses, etc.; but this argument is met with the statement that the interest on the money necessary to provide ample accommodations at Provo would almost if not quite pay the extra salaries. There is another argument in favor of the purchase of Fort Cameron, and that is the urgent need which exists for the immediate relief of the insane. Still another is the fact that the property must enhance in value as time passes.

The joint legislative committee charged with the investigation of this subject started for Fort Cameron yesterday, and their return is expected early next week. Their report will be awaited with much interest, in and out of the Assembly.

EDMUNDS' UTAH SCHOOL BILL.

WE have had information to the effect that since the passage of the Edmunds-Tucker law, Senator Edmunds has been appealed to by a carpet-bag element from Utah, to use his influence to have certain additional legislation passed by Congress, designed to still further invade the rights of the majority class of the citizens of this Territory. We have also been informed that this appeal met with a refusal, and that the Vermont Senator replied