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THE PREACHING AND PRAC-TICE OF POLYGAMY.

WE notice that some of the leading papers in the East are commenting on the report of the Utah Commission. It has been stated in several of the The editors imitate the preachers in local papers that Associate Justice one thing: When they are at a loss Twiss, whose term expires this month, for a subject on which to dilate with- is not an applicant for re-appointment, out knowing much about it, they can and that Jacob S. Boreman has applied always fall back on the "Mormon" for the office, question. "Pitching into the Mormons" is a favorite pastime for the press as well as the clergy.

The following excerpt from the rethen let the applicant have it. port seems to be a favorite quotation :

"After more than two years' labor and experience here it Secomes our duty to advise the government and the country that although the law has been suscessfully administered in respect to the disfranchisement of polygamists the effect of the same upon the preach-ing and practice of polygamy has not been to improve the tone of the former or materially diminish the latter."

This is cited as an evidence of "the attested by an almost total absence of failure of the Edmunds law." But practice. Notwithstanding Mr. Borefrom what part of that enactment was man's anti-"Mormon" proclivities. the inference drawn that the intent of | which run into the fantastically ridicthe statute was to stop the preaching ulous, we do not believe that his apof polygamy? We have become pretty pointment to the position for which he familiar with the wording of the law, is said to be "hunting and fishing" but have failed to find anything in it would receive the endorsement of the which even squints in that direction. members of the bar of this Territory, Opinion is protected therein with one | who, with all their faults, desire to see exception, and daly one. A juror in the benches of the District Courts of any prosecution for polygamy or un- Utah filled hy men of at least fair intellawful conspitation may be challenged ligence and something over average on, his belief in the rightfulness of legal ability. The little man who those practices. But a voter may not used to twist Territorial laws and apbe hindered in the exercise of the elec- | ply them to United States cases, would tive franchise on account of beliet in have made a passable dry goods clerk, polygamy. This is expressly provided or a local preacher of the Methodist persuasion, but his connection with the in the Edmands Act.

Preaching the doctrine of polygamy legal profession in any capacity in cannot be consitutionally hindered by chiefly conspicuous as a failure. law, It is a Bible doctrine. Beliet in it, The poor man is somewhat of an as conceded by the SupremeCourt of the object of commiseration, but that is no United States, cannot be lawfully in- reason why the public should be afflictterfered with. Take freedom of belief ed by his being put in the position of a with that freedom of speech and of round plug in a square aperture, by the press guaranteed by the Constitu- noisting him into an office for which tion, and how are you going to stop by neither nature nor education has qualhaw the preaching of polygamy as an ified him. article of faith?

We have heard considerable nonsense about the preaching of polygamy means of assisting him could be remaking the preacher particeps criminis sorted to. as an accessory before the fact, A very little reflection will show the folly of such a notion. The expression of views as to the rightfulness or wrongfuliness of any principle, tenet or doctrine cannot be distorted into a participation in any acts that people perits staple commodity: form of their own volition. The act may be punishable, the opinion as to its rightfulness, and the expression of that opinion are unassailable by law.

most appailing, as it is among juve-niles that most of the accidental killed for our visit. The Lord blessed as with His boly Spirit and we have en-joyed ourselves very much. Brothers Otene, Mchans and Oterene Rahi are good men and did a great deal to help ig and wounding occurs. ... Where athers and mothers have the power to revent their children from using or on the work. handling dangerous weapons and do not exercise it, they are highly sen-surable. The condemnation which is SALT LAKE STAKE CONFER-NCE. ustly their due, however, is withheld

Justly their due, however, is withheld when a disaster to life or limb occurs through their negligence, out of sym-pathy occasioned by the results of what they might have prevented. There is altogether too much of the subse-quent kind of discretion in such mat-ters, and a conspicuous scarcity of that provious kind which prevents. WANTS AN OFFICE. WANTS AN OFFICE.

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"Great is the Lord, 'tis good to raise," Prayer by President Joseph E. Tay-

The hymn commencing

"Hail to the brightness of Zion's glad morning"

was sung by the choir. The roll call showed the following present: two High Counselors, three Patriarchs, thirty-three Seventies. All the Quorums of Elders were repre-sented except the 4th, 6th, 10th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th and 16th. All the Wards of the State were represented by the If someone is wanted to disgrace the position on account of ignorance of the law and an excess of fanaticism He is not one of those whose hand is of the Stake were represented by the Bishopric, except the 1st Ward of this city, and the Mill Creek, South Cotton-wood, Draper, North Jordan and Granup to his ear, straining his auricular organ in listening for his country's call. He wishes to obtrude himself ger Wards. Several Quornins of the lesser priesthood of the city were re-presented. The country wards were also represented by members of the Lesser Priesthood. upon his country's attention. ... etried once to hoist himself into an electiva office in this country by a bogus appointment of the Governor, but failed. The quality of his legal attainments is

Superintendent Joseph H. Felt re-ported the Y. M. M. I. A. The minutes of the last Priesthood meeting, held December 6th, 1884, were read by the clerk, James S. Stirling, and with some slight amendments ap-

proved. President A. M. Cannon read the folowing communication:

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Dec. 11th 1874.

To the Presidency of the Salt Lake take of Zion:

Dear Brethren-For the benefit of other Bishops and myself, I desire to ay before you a question involving the jurisdiction of "common judges in israel," an answer to which, with any explanation you may give, I feel will be generally appreciated. The question is this: When a mem-ber of one Ward moves into another, aking no recommend with him, and

aking no recommend with him, and therefore is not received as a member,

and he commits some offense which enders him liable to be tried for his slowship; which Bishop is entitled or obligated to sit upon his case—the Biswithout a recommend, or the one over the Ward in which he lives but has the Ward in which he lives but has aever been received as a member? Cases in point: No. I—A man mov-ed from the 18th Ward without a re-commend, and is not to-day acknow-ledged as a member of the Ward where ne lives. A charge has been brought tgainst him and a trial is pending. The Bishop of the Ward in which he lives insclaims responsibility and insists th at the offender should be tried in th 18th Ward, where his record is and where the alleged offense was commit-ued.

If impecuniosity is the cause of his alleged application, some other

BARE-FACED DIABOLISM. THE Salt Lake Tribune of this morning contained the following among a long string of other falsehoods, which are its staple commodity:

prohibition was applicable in all cases. A library could be purchased or a missionary helped, without dancing. He did not invor mixing the sublime with the ridiculous, in any such manner. He strongly deprecated evils re-ported as existing in the Church, and streauously exhorted that they be rooted out, irrespective of any consid-eration but the purification of Zion. The choir same: Brothers ||

"How firm a foundation, ye Saints of the

Meeting adjourned till 2 p. m. Benediction by Elder Edward W

Mr. Arthur Pretty, proprietor of the "Compagnie Francaise," 5 Collins St., Melbourne, Anstralia, was cured, he says, of rheumatism by St. Jacobs Oil, the great pain-conqueror, after all other specifics had failed.

"The Accident was due to Carless-

110MG. " So said the Coroner's Jury, and cen-sured the switch-tender who was said to have carelessly left the switch open. Examination showed that the poor fel-Examination showed that the poor fel-low was nervous from over-work, and that his constitution was badly run down by under-feeding, the result of poor pay. What he needed was a bot-tle or two of Brown's Iron Bitters, which would have toned up his nerves, and strengthened him in mind and body. Mr. Thos. Jones. Newark, Ohio, takes pleasure in saying, "Brown's Iron Bitters completely cur-ed me of weakness, debility and poor appetite, It gave entire satisfaction."

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SORENSEN .- In Salt Lake City. December 12th, of inflammation of the bladder, Elias Sorensen, in the 66th year of his age. Funeral services will be held at the Third Ward Meeting house, Sunday, the 14th inst. at 12.3) p. m. Friends of the family are in vited.

LOST.

WHITE HALF-BREED CASHMERE A Goat; long wool with burrs in it, well broke for work; strayed from Armstrong's Mills. The finder will be rewarded by leav-ing at the same place. d 4t

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COUNTY TAX SALE. 162 Main Street.

WHEREAS, THE TERRITORIAL, School and County Taxes assessed against and upon the property of Horace Gibbs' Estate for the year A. D. 1884, amount-ing to Twelve (\$12.00) Dollars, remain unwing to the Large and Elegant Stock

ing to Twelve (\$12.00) Dollars, remain un-paid. Therefore, I. Nathaniel Y. Jones, Collec-tor for Salt Lake County, Utah Territory, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the provisions of An Act of the Legislativo As-sembly of the Territory of Utah, entitled, "An Act to provide Bevonus for the Terri-tory of Utah and the several counties there-of," approved February 22, 1878, and of the amendments thereto, have levied upon the following named property to wit: Tart of Lot Eights (8), Block One Hundred and Three (102), as platted in Plat"A" Salt Lake City Survey, bounded and described as fol-lows, to wit: Commercing at the South East (S. E.) corner of said lot, thence West twenty (20) rods, thence North ton (10) rods, thence East ten (10) rods, thence South five (5) rods, thence Kast Ten (10) rods, thence South Five (6) rods to the place of Legin-ning, and will sell the same or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay, the Taxes and Costs, at Public Auction, at the front door of the County Court Honse, Salt Labe City, on the 15th day of January, 1885, at 12 octock M.

Boward, Elgin, Waltham, Springfield and NATHANIEL V. JONES, Collector for Salt Lake County. County Collector's Office, No. 5, County Court House, Sait Lake City, December 9th, WATCHES IN GOLD AND SILVER CASES COUNTY TAX SALE. COUNTY TAX SALE. WHEREAS, THE TERRITORIAL, school and County Taxes assessed against and upon the property of Peter Gal-ligan for the year A. D. 1834, amounting to twenty-free Hollars and Twenty Cents (2.20, remain unpaid. Therefore, I. Nathaniel V. Jones, Collse-for for Salt Lake County, Utah Territory, by virtne of the suthority vested in me by the provisions of An Act of the Legislatike As-sembly of the Territory of Utah, emlitled, "An Act to provide Revenue for the Terri-tor, of Utah and the several counties there-of," approved February 21, USA, and of the mendments thereto, have seried upon the following named property, is wit: The North half (N. S) of Lot Four (4) in Block Sixty-three (83) as platted in Plat "A" of value take City Survey, and will sell the same of so much thereof as may be neces. sary to pay the Taxes and Costs, at Public Auction, at the front door of the County Court House, Salt Lake City, on the Tenth (10) day of damary 1886, at 12 o'clock M. All our Goods are Warranted First-Class a every respect Call and see for your wives and be convinced. SNOW NATHANIEL V. JONES, Collector for Salt Lake County. County Collector's Office, No. 5, County Court House, Salt Lake City, December 10th, 1884. d5 s2 COUNTY TAX SALE. 0 WHEREAS, THE TERRITORIAL, School and County Taxes assessed against and upon the property of Mrs. Fanny Austin for the year A. D. 1884, against and upon the property of Mrs. Fanny Austia for the year A. D. 1988, amounting to Twenty-four (24.00) Dollars, remain unpaid. Therefore, I, Nathaniel V, Jones, Colleg-tor Sait Lake County, Utah Territory, by virtue of the suthority vested in me by the provisions of An Act of the Legislativa, the virtue of the suthority vested in me by the provisions of An Act of the Legislativa, the remain any state of the transfer, "An Act to provide Revenue for the Therri-tory of Utah and the several counties there-of," approved February 22, 1875, and of the provisions of An Act of the Legislativa, the remainents thereto, have leviad upon the of Sait Lake City Survey, and will sell the same or ao much thereas as may be neces-ary to pay the Taxes and Costs, at Public Action, at the trent door of the Creater to January biss, at B o'clock M. <u>NATHANIEL V. JONES, Collector for Sait Lake County, County Collector's Office, No. 5, County Court House, sait Lake City, December 15th, 1884.</u> 8



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DEATHS.

To talk, then, about the failure of the Edmunds Act upon the preaching of polygamy is nonsensical on the part of the Commissioners, and equilly so on the part of those editors who repeat the absurdity.

As to the practice of polygamy their remarks are nothing but the merest guesswork. They admit and complain of the secresy which attends the ceremony of marriage against which the law is chiefly directed, and yet pretend to know something of the proportions into which they claim it is extending. The fact is, they know nothing at all about it. Neither do others who claim to have knowledge on this matter. If they know as much as they pretend to, why do they not give grand juries the information that hey are so anxious to obtain?

Papers commenting on the report draw the inference that the Clawson case, related by the Commissioners, showed that certain leading Elders in the "Mormon" Church have no hesttation in lying, "whenever a lie is convenient to conceal evidence of polygamy,"and that "this atter lack of scruple about lying pervades the whole Mormon community." Auything that there is in the Commissioner's report which leads to that impression is in- MORE ABOUT THE MAORIES correct, and despicable on the part of those who have endeavored to create aim and object of the prosecution was to gain possession of certain marriage records, alleged to be kept by some "Mormon" official; who, hobody was es who were supposed to know the progress among the Maories it will able to specify. Because the witnesswhereabouts of those alleged records did not know who had them or where they were kept, the inference was

cuilty, disfellowshipped, and his case anded up to the High Council where the Bishop's decision was ultirated. The offense in this case was committed, it might be said, in both wards, but the Bishop of the 18th Ward, where the man had no record, was urged to take the matter up and ind so, under the belief that he had urisdiction over the offender residing a his ward, and that it was his duty-according to a rule said to have been and down by President Young in his life-time-to take action in the premi-ses. Tribune. It has said such things be-Tribune. It has said such things be-fore, and endeavored to incite mobs to attack this office. And yet, when we invited the cowardly scribes to head the mobs and ruffians they were endea-voring to incite, there was no re-sponse. Again we say, the Nzws edi-tor shouldn't shirk his own doctrine; if the Tribune has ever attacked any-body in this world, it has attacked him."

Here is an extract from the NEWS article to which the slanderous sheet refers:

"Now we wish it to be distinctly understood that we do not advocate the policy of violence. Anything that tends policy of violence. Anything that tends to mobocracy is wrong in principle. The law ought to be strong enough to vindicate itself. A legal wrong should have a legal remedy. Re-venge is a motive to which man and women should not surrender them-selves. Let those who break the law be punished by the law. We shall here be met with the objection that a libel suit against impecunious slanderers-would only yield trouble for one's pains. Quite true. But there is the criminal law. Those mailcious defam-ers of the reputation of ladies as well as gentlemen pretend to be very anxiou -

Bishop 18th Ward. Bishop 18th Ward. In reply to this President Cannon said that where a person's record is, if he has never taken a note of stand-ng from that ward, there he or she should be tried in case of transcression. This had been the rule, with some exceptions; as in cases where the distance was too remote to remand them back to the Ward in which they had a record, in which event offenders had been tried in the ward where they happened to be residing. Said he: "If you find in-dividuals in your wards claiming to be Latter-day Saints, and they commit an offense, investigate it, communicate with the Bishop of the Ward they hall from, report the matter and ask that he take it up. If I were a Bishop I would not try a man without first en-deavoring to find out where his record is. Where no record can be found, a Bishop may take action and record it, as that an offender was excommuni-cated for such and such a cause, or whatever disposition was made of the cuse. Where the record is held and to note of standing has been taken, there, as a general rule, is where dis-tunce intervenes between a man's place of record and his place of resias gentlemen pretend to be very anxiou for the prosecution of a certain class of offenders, and are so eager in this direction that they would punish peo-ple even for opinion's sake. Well if they break the criminal law, follow them up with the criminal law."

By courtesy of Sister Elizabeth this false impression. Newby, of Joseph, Sevier County, we are enabled to publish the following extract from her husband, Elder Edward Newby, giving an account of a aissionary experience among the

ward Newby, giving an account of a massion of the state of the stat did not know who had them or where they were kept, the inference was drawn that the witnesses lied. People are at liberty to draw inferences, but they have no right to make grave charges without e-idence. The wit-nesses said they did not know, and there was and is no evidence that they told anything but the strict and solem truth. Buffield rage at not being able to find what was wanted, is no excars for charging in their stine to do and says gentiemen with Typic. We will take their simple word to-day before tho cath of many of their accursers. The truth is the Commissioners, who have a very soft thing and wish to keep hold of it as long as possible, go a long agreat many things that are as foreign angent to be doling something for their salaries, and having really very little salaries, and having really very little to their functions as the regulation appear to be doling something for their salaries, and having really very little to perform, they make up for it in long appear to be doling something for their salaries, and crude advise to the govern-ment of the United States. What the "Mormoons" believe and

ng Old Iron Rai 1900 Tons at Armstrong, Kas. 445 " on U. & N. Ry. in Idaho.

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STRAYED OR STOLEN.

What I would like to know is this: Was the Bishop of the 18th Ward right in case No. 2? And if so, is the Bishop in case No. 1, who declines to act in a similar matter, right also? What seems to me to be desirable, is a rule that will work both ways, and a pro-per and uniform understanding of it. Very respectfully. Your Brother in the Gospel, ORSON F. WHITNEY, Bishop 18th Ward. ONE BAY HORSE, SADDLE-MARKED, with left hind ankle joint enlarged and One sorrel HORSE with glass eye and old face. Return them and be rewarded. d&w BARNES & DAVIS.

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