

HERE is another slanderous anti-State petition, with the names, occupations, and residences of the signers. It is very interesting reading, but we hope those persons who affixed their names to the document will not become excitedly impatient to see them in the NEWS. We design to complete the publication of them at our earliest convenience, so that the people at large may have an idea who are their avowed enemies and have a consequent idea who are their friends in the community.

## MEMORIAL

*Of citizens of Utah, against the admission of that Territory as a State.*

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*To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled.*

Your memorialists, learning that active efforts are being made by certain parties to procure the admission of Utah as a State in the Union, beg to protest against said admission, at the present time, for the following reasons:

1st. Because the population of Utah does not come up to the standard lately expressed by Congress, and furthermore, on account of the insufficiency of population, the expenses of supporting a State government would, in a great measure, cripple the energies of the people and retard the development of this portion of the national domain.

2d. Because a large majority of the citizens of Utah entertain doctrines antagonistic to the fundamental ideas of free government, inasmuch as they believe in one supreme political as well as religious head, whose word, they claim, is superior to all law and civil authority, and even to the Constitution of the United States itself. In the hands of such a people, free government being a myth, and the elective franchise a meaningless farce, we submit that they are incapable of comprehending, much less of maintaining, a republican government; and are, therefore, totally unfitted to enter as a State into the American Union.

3d. We protest against the application for admission as hypocritical and treacherous to the nation, for the all-sufficient reason that the majority of the people of Utah do not and cannot believe in the permanence of the forms of government appertaining to the Constitution of the United States; being compelled by their religion to believe that all our present Governmental institutions are destined to pass away and be superseded by the machinery and rule of their priesthood—doctrines which have been repeatedly promulgated, and which it was repeatedly asserted by the Mormon priesthood during the sorrows and struggles of the nation in the late civil war were about to receive their fulfillment in the mutual destruction of both North and South.

4th. We object to the admission of Utah because the bulk of the citizens of this Territory, who are appealing for a State government, are continuing to engage in polygamy, in violation of the laws of Congress and in defiance of its authority, and who, not having learned the supremacy of law over church dictation, are totally unfit to be entrusted with the powers of State.

We know that the applicants for admission have incorporated in their proposed constitution a provision suggesting a willingness to submit to such condition as Congress may impose upon them in the act of admission, by which it was intended to convey the idea that they will be willing to abandon polygamy if required. This provision we declare a false token held out to deceive: First, because the bulk of the convention endorsing this "State constitution" are themselves polygamists; and, secondly, because it is an unalterable doctrine of the Mormon church, as declared in the most binding of its so-called "revelations," and reiterated by its present head, that *no man can, by any possibility, be saved in the "Celestial kingdom" unless he is a polygamist.* In proof of which assertion we refer your honorable body to the memorial addressed by the Mormons to Congress. In that manifesto, which was passed by an immense convention of the "Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints," held March 31, 1870, it is said that the

saints looked upon the principle of plural marriage "as a principle revealed by God, underlying their very hope of salvation and happiness in time and eternity; that they had been commanded of God, through Joseph Smith, to practice it upon pain of being damned if they did not," \* \* and that the Cullum bill left them but the cruel alternative of rejecting God's command and abjuring their religion or disobeying the authority of the government they desired to honor and respect."

This being the doctrine of the Mormon church, we ask, how can they who accept of it honestly promise to abandon polygamy? Or of what force can constitutions and laws be which are not in harmony with the sentiments of those who have the power of enforcement? Inasmuch as any provision against polygamy inserted in the State constitution would be powerless until enforced by legislative enactment, and as it is not likely that a polygamous legislature would enact a law making a practice punishable in which the majority of themselves were engaged, the provision would simply remain a dead-letter in the constitution, and the practice of polygamy exist as before. And such, we have abundant evidence, is the purpose of the framers of the constitution, in case an anti-polygamy clause is inserted by Congress.

And we further declare to your honorable body, that it is a familiar and well-understood thing among the Mormons, that, in case any offers for the surrendering of polygamy are made by their leaders, it is to be done solely for the purpose of obtaining possession of the powers and machinery of government in the Territory, and freeing them from the supervision and control of the General Government, in which case it is understood that they will continue or resume the practice of polygamy as opportunities may offer. And knowing as we do that this programme would, without fail, be carried out, and that every civil, legislative, or governmental office in the State would be in their hands, and all investigation or objection shut out, we affirm that the admission of Utah, under the present circumstances, by the Congress of the United States, would be only the permanent establishment of polygamy on a firmer footing than ever, and the placing of it above all successful opposition.

5th. We protest against the admission of Utah as adverse to the free development of the resources of the Territory. In proof of which we refer to the fact that, until compelled by the liberal element to succumb, the priesthood maintained a most bitter and untiring opposition to the development of the minerals of the Territory, their object being the keeping out of a non-Mormon population. And we are compelled to believe, from the experiences of the past, that if the priesthood can possess themselves of the powers of a State government, they will use them to lay an embargo on this most valuable industry, and drive from the country all enterprise not subservient to their control.

Nor are these our only objections. We not only protest against the admission of Utah on the grounds of the antagonism and enmity of the majority of those seeking admission to republican principles, their avowed disbelief in the permanence of the American forms of government, their disobedience to the enactments of Congress, the treachery of any promise looking to the relinquishment of polygamy, their opposition to the free development of the Territory, and on the further ground of the insufficiency of population to bear the burdens of a State government; but we also protest against such admission because the bestowal of a State government on Utah at the present time, owing to the disparity of the Mormon and the outside element, can only result in the elevation of the Mormon religion to the dignity and influence of State power, and in the absorption of every office of power and responsibility by the Mormon priesthood. And this, when the experience of your memorialists is that they have always used such power to injure and oppress the minority.

Having such grounds of appeal, which we are prepared to substantiate before any committees of your honorable body, your memorialists respectfully request that the present application for the admission of Utah may be refused. And your petitioners will ever pray.

John Chislett, merchant; J. W. Morehaus, freighter; John Cunningham, merchant; Alexander Rogers, book-

keeper; Joseph Braithwaite, ironmonger; Chas. A. Chadwick, book-keeper; Salt Lake City.

Vincent Shurtliff, farmer; James Gordon, farmer; Mill Creek.

John Banalough, cashier; Arthur Lowe, cigar manufacturer; Geo. P. Carr, grocer; Ed. Pickering, clothier; L. J. Wykes, grocer; Hugh White, mail-contractor; Henry Graves, real-estate owner; M. Collinson, hostler; F. Knappes, grocer; W. Marsden, merchant; Jesse Elliott, miner; S. A. Daughman, miner; John Hannon, mining engineer; J. L. Colman, harness maker; Hiram Yeager, blacksmith; Henry C. Kiesel, merchant; Jesse Horbury, miner; Ishel Watters, jeweler; Thomas Atkinson, smelter; A. J. Allen, miner; R. Gilliland, carpenter; P. Woolf, cigar manufacturer; Charles Hammer, laborer; Charles Korner, Baker; Louis C. Quigley, livery; Wm. W. Funke, coal dealer; G. N. Savage, miner; Sam'l Levy, cigar maker; J. L. Jacobs, clerk; Abraham Watters, jeweler; W. P. Row, butcher; C. H. Palmer, engraver; C. Houle, miner; Fred. Reich, jun., miner, Salt Lake City.

C. S. Moody, messenger; Union Southern R. R.

Richard O. Kaywheting, carpenter.

Samuel J. Nathan, merchant; Elizabeth Martin, dressmaker; Abraham Taylor, grocer; Salt Lake City.

John Daly, conveyancer; Little Cottonwood.

E. A. Wall, miner; Wm Gilbert, cook; A. Blumenthal, merchant; B. Blumenthal, merchant; Salt Lake City.

Wm. Richmond, merchant; American Fork, Utah.

Charles H. Hammer, miner; Thomas R. Searle, capitalist; Thos. Y. McNally, clerk; Frank Kessler, miner; P. L. F. Harrison, architect; Leopold Myers, soldier; Fritz Adolphy, saloon-keeper; John Gordon, saloon-keeper; John Hodgson, miner; Helen Marsden, clerk; Isaac Hunt, express; T. B. Oney, miner; P. H. Eensimar, blacksmith; J. Holland, laborer; E. Ebel, miner; Dr. T. L. R. Scheuner, metallurgist; Chas. Holmes, miner, Salt Lake City.

Walter Mansfield, janitor Liberal Institute; C. K. Britell, miner; John Carter, miner; F. W. Ehlman, druggist; Neil Gillis, miner, Salt Lake City.

John Shaffer, barber, Ophir City.

A. W. Cowles, painter, W. H. Green, boot-maker; M. Green, miner; William Thompson, hostler; O. H. Speed, M. D. Physician; Henry Brunton, Washington House; J. W. Rodebank, miner; W. Charles Pratt, miner; Jas. W. Wetzel, miner; Wright Pickering, miner; P. H. Beckenbaugh, miner; R. Stein, miner; R. R. Wheelock, butcher; John Davies, miner; H. E. Taylor, miner; Wm. Tremper, miner; J. P. Cedarstrom, carpenter; H. F. Collin, lather; Michael Katz, builder; Wm. H. McCracken, miner; B. Mikesell, miner; Louis Sifer, miner; J. Kemp, miner; Jas. Warren, miner; James Bensley, miner; N. F. Johnson, miner; J. N. McCann, miner; E. Waterson, miner; A. B. Chittick, miner; Michael Connolly, miner; Corydon H. Bevas, miner; W. A. Corbett, rancher; J. M. Pass, rancher; Francis Miller, blacksmith, W. S. Potter, contractor; Wm. Lutz, livery; John Munte, stage agent; H. C. Doll, clerk; Samuel H. Carline, stone-cutter; A. J. Cunningham, blacksmith; Mrs. A. E. Carr, dressmaker; J. Meeks, jeweler; John Hutchins, Clarendon House; E. H. Thomas, miner; Owen Williams, miner; A. P. King, miner; Joseph Mullen, miner; George Laurence, miner; Wm. Cumberland, miner; James Tadlee, grocer; S. J. Fitzgerald, manager; Eli A. Folland, clerk; Alex. Hunter, miner; F. C. Updike, painter; John W. Merritt, miner; John H. Pickering, painter; R. M. Griffith, butcher; E. Bergher, miller; Thomas Williams, miner; Edward A. Sheen, carpenter; P. H. Mundy, miner; L. B. Clemons, carpenter; Miss Julia Meeks, dress-maker; Nicholas Knop, clerk; C. Reich, miner; J. W. Fagar, boot-maker; John Rice, upholsterer; James Wells, cutler; H. R. Wells, trader; Loomis Near, Clerk; Louis Reich, clerk; J. C. Weston, upholsterer; W. J. Orohood, miner; W. J. Sprouse, miner; J. Philli, miner; Jas. Wheyland, miner; C. H. Dives, miner; J. P. Spaulding, miner; C. O'Donnell, painter; Wm. Pickering, gardener; John White, carpenter; J. R. Beck, carpenter; Joel Newcomb, miner; Nath. Jenkins, chimney sweep; W. C. Ripley, miner; Salt Lake City.

George Young, trader; J. H. L. Tuck, geologist; Ophir City.

D. Martin, miner; Louis Verdie, miner; W. James, Sherman House; C. F. W. Bergemann, smelter; Joshua Wilbur, butcher; Joshua Carter, miner; Matthew Mudd, tailor; Salt Lake City.

Frank Smith, miner; Eureka, City.

Gus White, painter; Jacob M. Mason, miner; James Dougherty, teamster; John Hara, miner; James Haren, miner; S. Simon, jeweler; Orrin Pratt, doctor; John F. Tracy, salesman; H. Handy, miner; Frank Lenne; Emil Buttkowsky, barber; A. B. Ward, miner; W. B. Smith, lawyer; G. M. Pierce, minister; Salt Lake City.

W. F. Falets, farmer; Glendale.

N. Jensen, miner; Sarah Varney, citizen; Mary Andrews, citizen; John T. Lewis,

potter; Plyah Rogers, miner; E. Ward, blacksmith; Frank Carver, miner; Miss Annie Fox, milliner; D. R. Firman, Deputy U. S. Marshal; L. Lyon, miner; Will Chislett, stage agent; Salt Lake City.

Robt. Kermeen, miner; Tintic.

Prof. F. S. Stein, teaching; I. Frankenburg, clerk; J. H. Hicks, miner; Salt Lake City.

L. Neweauer, store-keeper; W. Wolfers, merchant; John Steward, miner; J. H. Morrison, steward; W. Downey, hotel-keeper; L. Stevenson, cook; Charles Cambel, cook; Frederick Kehr, cook; John Knapp, gentleman; M. H. Beardsley, restaurant-keeper; Henry Heilbrouner, merchant; Valentine Faubel, butcher; L. Steen, butcher; D. Harris, merchant; Wm. Snell, merchant; L. W. Irans, merchant; W. T. Barnitz, miner; Wm. P. Thompson, upholsterer; William Jarman, merchant; Peter Tavey, merchant tailor; Salt Lake.

John Manning, merchant tailor; W. L. Dobbs, jr., miner; H. F. Tously, miner; H. Barraclough; Samuel Schoen, saloon-keeper; T. S. Brown, miner; Henry Sullivan, barber; John G. Crocker, miner; Tom Flournoy, miner; B. C. Stevens, butcher; John Dempster, miner; James F. Foley, miner; Chas. T. Bellamy, miner; G. G. Griffith, builder; P. B. Dixon, miner; A. Rehmine, merchant; Fred. Rietz, merchant; Y. Marenbon, miner; James Jack, miner; A. G. Hasey, miner; James Goodson, weaver; Jacob Miller, laborer; A. Shires, miner; Willard Carlisle, miner; Jacob Alt, gunsmith; M. Woolf, merchant; J. White, M. D.; A. Davis, miner; John W. Clark, boot maker; L. F. Davies, artist; A. Anderson, glove maker; John N. Nean, painter; John Lowe, cordwainer; George Rands; Mrs. Elizabeth Holder, seamstress; Mary Braithwaite, seamstress; P. M. Halsey, wagon dealer; J. A. Maynard, saloon keeper; M. Orthrop, miner; L. P. Cano, miner; Salt Lake City.

Michael Boyle, miner; Bingham Canyon.

Sarah Ann Pickering, seamstress; Joseph Marion, storekeeper; Salt Lake City.

J. N. Dramer, miner; Cottonwood.

Thos. Carter, fur dealer; Martha Ingram, sack maker; James Day, his mark, shoemaker; John Carter, clerk; John Collison, painter; Thos. A. Lyne, tragedian; Madeline Lyne, tragedian; Charles Allen, miner; G. Hague, miner; E. R. Williamson, miner; C. G. Ferguson, miner; M. E. Allen, miner; Seth S. Bigby, teamster; John Wallace, miner; S. Malter, fruit dealer; Henry Goage, tailor; C. R. Greeley, miner; Jacob Ornstein, butcher; Salt Lake City.

J. Thos. Williams, butcher; Montana.

J. E. Lewis, miner; J. W. Linsdel, miner.

T. Baumgarten, deputy U. S. Marshal; Salt Lake.

P. W. Fisher, blacksmith, Ann Fisher, Jas. Showell, general dealer; J. W. Wilson, miner; Simeon Pickering, miller; Charles Jones, miller; Thos. Johnson, porter, Salt Lake House; Robt. A. Ritchie, plasterer; P. Curtiss, miner; Alma K. tz, miner; Edwin Taggart, druggist; O. Custar, miner; James Kendall, carpenter; M. F. Coyne, miner; Wm. Hurd, plasterer; C. Hallax, salesman; Jno. Karren, miner; Geo. Whippley, miner; Jos. Duder, brewer; Salt Lake City.

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Chas. Grose, teamster; Salt Creek City.

H. W. Nichols, carpenter; Will Forsythe, miner; Salt Lake City.

Joseph Vincent, miner.

Joseph H. Hemelmar, mining engineer; Lt. Cottonwood.

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Jno. Malderner, bar tender.

John A. Nelson, machinist, Salt Lake City.

Andrew Johnson, miner, Salt Lake.

John Lancaster, saloon keeper, Lewistown.

Jas. Wright; A. L. Parrish, iron moulder; H. Mellen, miner; Pete Johnson, teamster; Jas. Keller, miner; Gotlip Klipstine, miner; George Gregory, wire worker; Mrs. J. W. Parks, resident; Mrs. E. A. Lingo, resident; Miss R. Lingo, resident, W. H. K. Tait, M. D., resident; Mrs. James Lowe, resident; John D. White, miner; Salt Lake City.

Jno. Hibberts, carpenter.

Mrs. C. F. Palmer, resident, Salt Lake City.

Jack Trainer, miner; Thos. Gerrard, hotel keeper; Lt. Cottonwood.

Wm. Watson, miner, American Fork.

Wm. Scott, tailor; John Brough, merchant tailor; John Evans, tailor; Christopher Pouncey, tailor; Wm. Pouncey, machinist; Carrie Draper, dress maker; Salt Lake City.

A. B. Mattison, miner, Cottonwood.

Wm. Wattslow, miner; Wm. High, drover; Salt Lake City.

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Geo. Schanks, boot and shoe maker, Bullion City, Utah.

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John Higgins, miner, Salt Lake City.

John Williams, trader, Salt Creek.

Tom Doyle, miner, Salt Lake.