REXBURG EDITOR DEFENDS HIMSELF

Makes Reply to Vicious Attack By an Abusive Salt Lake Sheet.

CHRISTIAN HERALD'S STORY.

or and Goes Off Into Convulsions.

In response to a request from a number of friends, we reproduce the annexed editorial from the columns of the Current Journal, of Jan. 11, published at Rexburg, Ida. The editor was manciously attacked by an abusive sheet in this city for some remarks that he had made concerning the foolish conduct of hosts of women in the United States, who, as is well known, had been induced to sign their names to a petition to the United States senate, containing statements about which they knew nothing and in which they were joined by some of the women of Utah. The Christian Herald, which is ready to snap up any little scrap of misinformation and turn against everything "Mormon," quotes from a purported statement made by the Current Journal, and falsely ascribes its utterances to the "Mormon" leaders, who have nothing to do with that paper, and calls the article "a tirade of frantic abuse against the women of America," but in support of its bald assumption the Christian Herald can only cite these lines from the article to which it ob-

"Their conduct has become unwomanly unchristian and unholy. They stand

The Christian Herald calls that "abuse" and goes off into convulsions about "Mormon traffickers in womanhood" and similar explosive utterances. The Herald draws its inspiration and information (?) from the local sheet above referred to, and therefore is not likely to bring forth anything but inconsistency and folly. The editor of the Current Journal, in response to the attacks and diatribes of the Salt Lake organ of villification, has this to say:

"Our article a few weeks ago, under the heading: 'A Million Foolish Wom-en," has called forth a brutal reply from the Salt Lake Tribune. That paper makes a savage attack on the editor of the Current Journal because he pre-sumed to question the motives of the women who signed the petition against Serator Smoot but more especially be-Senator Smoot, but more especially be-cause he criticised the women in Sait lake, who sent a telegram to the women clubs in the east, thanking them for their anti-Mormon campaign.

"We did not expect, of course, that our views on that question would be endorsed by the Tribune. But we had a right to expect a fair and decent cri-ticism. A paper that poses as the great champion of the American home, and the defender of every Christian virtue, ought to be less foul in its utterances, and more fair in its comments. "The Tribune fails to point out any

misstatements of facts on our part. It raised, or offer any fair criticism whatever. It simply calls us a number of vile names, insinuates that we have no conception of the respect due to women, and suggests that we ought to be horseand suggests that we ought to be norse-whipped for what we wrote. It then dismisses the matter with a few high sounding phrases about American wom-anhood, endorsing the anti-Mormon crusade, and especially commending the Sait Lake women for the support that they are giving it

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"To the editor of the Tribune we say: A man who has broken his covenants with God, who has turned traitor to his people, and who day after day pours out the vials of his senseless wrath upon those who once loved and trusted him, and bestowed upon him the highest honor within their power, should be the last man to suggest horse-whipping for anyone. If the one article that we wrote merits such a punishment, what shall we say of his conduct? For more than a year now, every day of his life, he has not ceased to slander the Latter-day Saints, at home and abroad; Latter-day Saints, at home and abroad; he has heaped reproach upon them; he has ridiculed their faith and made light of their most sacred ordinances. From far and near he has sought aid to encompass their ruin. The principles for which he has contended all his life and advocated before the world now because of his disappointed ambition, he insists are vile and corrupt. The gifts with which heaven endowed him, he has used to humiliate and bring shame upon the shame upon the leaders of the Church, who years ago sought to save him, who forgave him his sin, when he dishonored forgave him his sin, when he dishonored the womanhood which he now so hypocritically defends. There is no wrong that he has not done. And yet no harm has come to him. He has walked the streets of Salt Lake among the people that he has betrayed and slandered, and no hand has molested him. He has been free to speak and write all that was in his heart. And now, because we protest against the falsehoods that are circulated concerning the Latter-day Saints, and question the motives of those who are engaged in this nefarious work, he calls on the men of Utah to resent our article by physical force. This man, the breeder of strife and slander, who poses as a martyr to the anti-Mormon crusade, has the nerve to stand, himself untouched, and ask for vengeance on another.

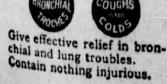
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the petition against Senator Smoot,
when they made when they made no protest against sen-ators whose conduct has been much worse than has ever been charged against Senator Smoot. If women clubs against Senator Smoot. If women clubs are to be the guardians of the senate's morals, they ought to demand the same standard for all. We suggested, too, that they give their attention to evils that flourish all around them, and not worry so much about conditions among the Mormons, until they had weeded out the sins nearer home.

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"And as for the women in Sait Lake, we still contend that it is unchristian for them to wage war upon their neighbors, and friends. In thanking their eastern sisters for their anti-Mormon campaign, they give support and endorsement to all the falsehoods that are being told against the Mormon people. It was an attack on every member of





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the Church. As such we resented it, and we have no apology to offer for doing so. With all the virtues which the Tribune attributes to these women, we do not believe that they have ever corrected a misstatement that has been made concerning the people that they corrected a misstatement that has been made concerning the people that they live among. The fact of the matter is, some of the women in Sait Lake have encouraged and endorsed wifful misrepresentation against the Mormon people. They have supported women lecturers and ministers, who have gone from one end of the country to the other, spreading falsehoods and stirring up the people to anger against them. Money has been solicited under false pretenses, to continue this everlasting agitation and these women have been at the back of it.

'We ask again, have the Mormons ever wronged them? Have they ever been molested or interfered with in any been molested or interfered with in any way? In what respect have they suf-fered from these despised neighbors? Has the Mormon religion been flaunted Has the Mormon religion been flaunted in their faces? Have their homes been invaded, or their churches desecrated? Have they ever been insulted or abused? Do not Mormon homes compare favorably with their own? Is not their conduct just as exemplary? Are they not as industrious, as temperate, as pure? Let them show cause for their support of this unholy crusade.

"This Tribune considers it perfectly legitimate, to pour out its vile falsehood, day after day, to slander the best men in the community, and heap re-

hood, day after day, to slander the best men in the community, and heap re-proach upon an innocent people. It supports the Sait Lake ministers and women referred to, in doing the same thing. To lie about the Mormons is per-fectly honorable according to its stan-dard of morals. But let one of this un-popular sect lift his voice or pen in des-fense of his people, let him but ques-tion the motives of those engaged in this anti-Mormon campaign, and he be-comes "a vile wretch," "a leprous crea-ture," and other choice epithets that could be coined only in the Tribune of-fice.

"The Mormons are not going to be

"The Mormons are not going to be dumb driven cattle," who will cower and cringe beneath the whip of their maligners. They are not low groveling things, fit only to lick the dust from the feet of those who trample their rights in the earth. They are men and women, with rights that they propose to maintain. We undertand perfectly well the purpose of these agitators. They seek to deprive the Latter-day Saints of their rights as American citizens. They propose to disfranchise them, and make them dependent on their wills and wishes. "The Mormons are not going to be

and wishes.
"We won't stand for it. Our fathers "We won't stand for it. Our fathers first planted the standard of liberty in this western country. Through industry and hard labor, they have redeemed and made it fruitful. They were never found wanting in their devotion and loyalty to their country both in peace and in war. Most of them have now gone to their rest. The flag that they unfuried here floats over their graves. But before they passed away, they impressed upon their children a conception of the liberty that it represents. It has greeted our eyes from our earliest infancy. We know our country's est infancy. We know our country's history, and what it cost to give it birth. Every Fourth of July we have listened to the story of independence, Freedom is our heritage; and we will never willingly submit for our rights to be invaded by the hungry horde who are seeking to trample them under their feet and destroy them.
"Is it to be expected that we will sit

"Is it to be expected that we will sit calmly by, and smile at our detractors? Pat them on the back and tell them to go ahead? Shall we keep silent because womanhood is sacred, and the ministry is holy? Shall we hesitate to show up the hypocricy and deceit that is behind this movement? No. When woman endorses slander, and encourages religious persecution, the halo that glorified her brow departs. She loses the sanctifying beauty of truth and we are at liberty to resent her actions, and protest against her course. When ministers give themselves to falsehood, their pulpits are holy no more, their churches cease to be God's sanctuaries. "The Tribune rails at us and our paper for supporting the "Mormon hierarchy." We are not supporting any hierarchy; at least not in the sense the archy." We are not supporting any hierarchy; at least not in the sense the Tribune uses the term. But we have defended the Mormon people, and propose continuing to do so. We are not ashamed of our action in this matter. They are our people. Their interests are our irterests; their feedom our freedom. dom. When they suffer we suffer. And we shall contend for their rights so long we shall contend for their rights so long as we have voice and pen to do it.

"The Mormon people are not slaves or cravens, who have no feelings. They are as sensitive to wrong as other people. They smart under insults and abuse as quickly as anyone. They want to be thought well of by their fellows. There is no pleasure for them in the reproach and odium that is heaped upon them. At the same time, they don't propose to purchase the good opinion of men at the price of their faith and honor. Conscious as they are of the honor. Conscious as they are of the rectitude of their intentions, and the honesty of their motives, they can afford to wait for their vindication. Time will do them justice."

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Miss Marie C. Brehm, president of the Illinois W. C. T. U., arrived in this city last evening en route to Chicago from Los Angeles, and will be the guest, while here, of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McClain. She will also be given a reception Saturday afternoon at the residence of Capt. W. H. Tibbals on Third street. Miss Brehm will speak in the morning at the Westminister Presbyterian church, and at 6 p. m. in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium before a general meeting of the young peo ple's evangelical societies of the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Beatle and Mrs. C. S. Burton leave on Saturday for Los

Miss Elizabeth Cosgriff was guest of honor yesterday at a luncheon given by Miss Laura Sherman at the University club. The decorations were in red and about a dozen guests were present.

Tonight Miss Flich gives a dinner in honor of Miss Elizabeth Cosgriff and Mr. W. E. Fife.

Mrs. J. E. Woodward and Miss Katherine Judge left today for Fort Leavenworth to visit with their sister.

Mrs. C. J. Thompson will leave shortly for a trip through Egypt.

Tomorrow Miss McGrath gives a lun-cheon in honor of Miss Cosgrift.

Many affairs are being planned in-honor of Miss Sarah Reid Park, whose marriage takes place the latter part of the month.

UTAH CANYONS.

Its Dangers Clearly Exemplified By an Accident in Big Cottonwood.

DRIVER HURT, HORSES KILLED

Was Hauling Five-Ton Water Wheel From Upper Power Plant When It Occurred.

Bebsleighing in Utah canyons never was exactly a cafe occupation, owing to the fact that a heavily loaded sleigh constantly gathers momentum and once it gets the team in front of it on the run, there is no stopping it, except in a smashup or a lucky change of grade.

The steep pitches of the big Cottonwood canyon road between the upper and the lower power houses, were the cause Monday afternoon of a mouncause Monday afternoon of a mountain tragedy that resulted in the demolition of a sleigh, the serious injury of the driver and the death of one of the four horses hitched to it. The driver, John H. Walker, was brought down to Murray yesterday afternoon, suffering from a badly wrenched back and an injured hip bone, from which a small chip was splintered off.

HIS CONDITION HOPEFUL. Dr. A. A. Bird, who made a rapiddrive from Murray to the scene of the accident Monday afternoon, and dressed the wounds, and who is caring for the patient now at the Murray hospital, stated this afternoon that Walker was progressing nicely, and that his condi-tion was hopeful. It is feared, however, he said, that internal injuries may have been inflicted, as his back is severely wrenched. So far the only trouble with his hip bone is that a small piece has been chipped off, and it hoped that no further symptoms will develor.

no further symptoms will develop. Walker is a well known resident of Union, and has been engaged in hauling ore in the canyon for some time HAD HEAVY LOAD.

Monday afternoon, however, he was not hauling ore, but was trying to bring down a five-ton water wheel from the upper power plant. With a companion named Mat Ellison, Walker got the big wheel on his bob-sleign, and the two started down the canyon, Walker driving the four horses, and Elison sitting on the rear. Things went smoothly till the Smoot dugway was reached, well along towards the lower

power house.

Here the steep pitch seemed dangerous to the drivers, and they halted to
"rough-lock" the runners. This was done by wrapping two heavy chains around the rear runners, and if the chains had only held, the trip would have been successful. However, half way down one chain broke, and the sleigh leaped forward under its five-ton weight, crowding the horses into a run. Walker, who was an experienced driver on mountain roads, still stayed with his sleigh, and attempted to steer

LEAD HORSE FALLS.

He could have done this too, as many a mountaineer has, when his load has forced the team off a walk, but near the bottom of the dugway a leader stum-bled and fell. The wheel horse behind him was balked, and the tongue plung-ed itself into the snow and ice, snaped itself into the snow and ice, snapping off like a stick of kindling, and releasing the leaders. They rushed on ahead, bulling the broken tongue and lead reins after them, and then Ellisson jumped from the rear. Eye witnesses state that the lurch of the sleigh, which occurred at the same moment, threw him 15 feet in the air, but he lit on his shoulder and face in the snow, and was not severely injured. and was not severely injured.

PINNED IN WRECKAGE. Walker fared less luckily when he at-tempted to jump. The huge iron wheel was driven forward by the sudden joit to the sleigh as the tongue broke, and as he leaped for the ground it caught and pinted him in the wreckage. Horses, sleigh and driver were then

Horses, sleigh and driver were then carried in a heap to the foot of the dugway, where the free rear runners forced the front runners to which the horses acted as an obstruction, till the sleigh "jack-knifed" and was wrecked.

A party of workmen who were returning up the canyon, and witnessed the scene, ran to the sleigh, where they found Walker trying to crawl out of the wreckage. He was thrown under the wheel, but luckily only a small maple sprout held him to the ground. maple sprout held him to the ground, and on pulling this up he was able to crawl out. His wheel horses were disentangled and one was found to be dead, while the other was badly in-jured.

MEN'S WOUNDS DRESSED.

Walker was carried down to the lower power house by his companions, and there medical assistance was summoned from Murray. Dr. Bird responded and dressed the wounds of both Walker and Ellison, later removing Walker to the Murray hospital to make further ex-aminations as to his condition.

As is usual in such cases, men who are engaged in the sleighing business, know how the accident could have been avoided. One of them states that four rough-locking chains would have done the trick, and that the mistake of walkers. the trick, and that the mistake of Walker was to use only two. Others suggested the hanging of a green tree, with all its branches intact, on the rear, little end foremost, to break the speed in case of a runaway, and still others favored the tree method, except they would place the but end foremost.

The lead horses were found a mile down the canyon in a snow bank, and badly tangled up but unhurt. The wheel from the power plant will be placed on another sleigh and brought to Salt Lake today.

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STATE HIGHWAYS.

Matter Discussed by Attorney General Who Cites the Law.

Attorney General Breeden rules as follows as to what constitutes a state highway, in response to a query from the state engineer:

"You are advised that in my opinion the Legislature intendeded, when it provided that two public roads running in the same general direction might be made a part of a system of state high-ways; that such highways should run through different parts of the country, and each end should be connected with similar roads of adjoining counties. The drawing you enclose shows only one main highway running across the entire country, which in my opinion complies with the statute, and the state engineer would be authorized to approve it as a state highway. But the little road branching off from this main highway about one-third across the county from its western end and running south a short distance in the shape of a bow, and again joining on to this main high-way about one-third way from the eastern end of said highway, can in no sense be regarded as a separate and independent state highway such as the law requires shall be designated by the board of county commissioners and approved by the state engineer.

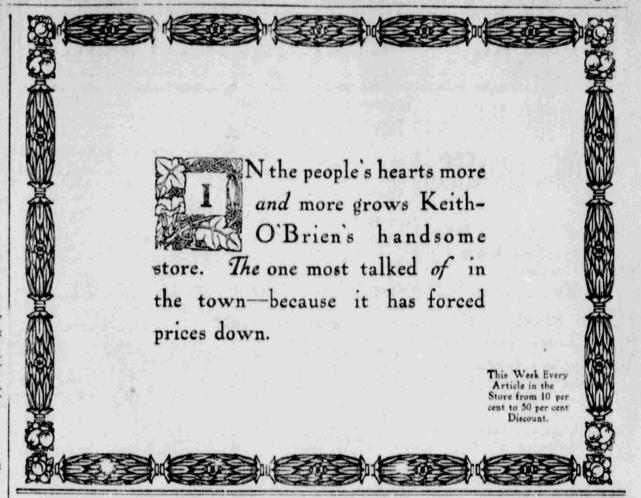
"The object of the law was to afford the people of the different parts of the county highways for their public con-venience. If the drawings you submit could be regarded as two highways unthe board of county commissioners could so restrict the purposes of the Legislature as to favor one neighborhood as against all the other portions of the county.

"I think the act is entitled to a broader interpretation than that, and these two state highways as provided by law should be located so as to accommodate the greatest number of the peo-

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