

us to the enjoyment of salvation, and it is not only in starting right that salvation depends, but when we start it is necessary to continue to the end.

Now it is plain and reasonable to me why it is that the nations of the earth seek to destroy the Saints. They pretend that the Bible is their platform and it condemns them on every page, both their doctrines and practices. In order to maintain their false systems they have created a kind of aristocracy, called priesthood, who are hired to explain away the sayings of the sacred book. By this means, having itching ears, they have heaped to themselves teachers to turn away their ears from the truth unto fables.

These false teachers have a strong hold on the minds of the people; the rulers bear rule by their means and most of the people love to have it so. If anybody comes to change this order of things, almost every man is up in arms against him. They are so perfectly organized that it takes but a few devils to keep them in subjection.

This makes me think of an old Chinese fable. A man, traveling through the country, came to a large city, very rich and splendid; he looked at it and said to his guide, 'this must be a very righteous people, for I can only see but one little devil in this great city.'

The guide replied, 'You do not understand, sir; this city is so perfectly given up to wickedness, corruption, degradation and abomination of every kind that it only requires one devil to keep them all in subjection.'

Traveling on a little farther he came to a rugged path and saw an old man trying to get up the hill side, surrounded by seven great, big, coarse looking devils.

'Why,' says the traveler, 'this must be a tremendously wicked old man, only see how many devils there are around him.'

'This,' replied the guide, 'is the only righteous man in the country and there are seven of the biggest devils trying to turn him out of his path and they all cannot do it.'

The devil has these Christian priests and the whole world with them so perfectly at his disposal that it only takes a very few devils to keep them all in subjection, and the whole legion of devils have nothing to do but look after the 'Mormons' and stir up the hearts of the children of men to destroy them—to put them out of existence.

If you will examine the public prints of the United States for the last two years you will find in them the most blood-thirsty articles, cruel declamations and awful imprecations, originating from the pens of religious priests and their dupes. Say they, 'If we talk with the 'Mormons' on principles of religion, the Bible, of course, sustains them; if we talk with them on human rights, those principles sustain them; if we talk with them on the Constitution and laws of our country, these sustain them, if we talk with them on the dealings of God with man, they get the better of us; and our only way is to try and destroy them from the earth.'

This is the spirit that is being stirred up in the hearts of the children of men. There have never been, in reality, but two kingdoms on this earth, the kingdom of God and that of the devil; or, I will say, those who are willing to observe the principles of truth, and those who are not; the latter array themselves against the Saints.

A gentleman with whom I came in contact while at Washington made this objection against 'Mormonism': talking about the institution of plurality of wives, said he, 'it never will answer, it will break up all the whole houses in the country, for women would not abide in such establishments and sustain them if they could only have respectable and comfortable houses; this polygamy system will smash up that (Christian) institution altogether.'

The spirit of opposition to 'Mormonism' takes hold on the king on his throne, the President in his chair, and all those would-be sacred priests, those holy hypocrites who stir up the hearts of the people to seek to overthrow the work of God. High and low, great and small are united in one grand union for the destruction of the Saints of God, though they be deadly foes on all other questions.

To endure this hatred, to be cursed, despised by his friends, jeered at by his neighbors and all who ever knew him, to be set down as a poor, cursed, worthless, good-for-nothing 'Mormon' fool, requires a courage in any man or woman who will step forward to receive the pure principles of this gospel, that is a stranger in the heart of the greatest warrior that ever faced an enemy on the battle field.

It is the animosity of the adversary that fills the hearts of the children of men to overflowing, so that they desire to destroy the Saints, so that they are filled with anger, violent wrath and indignation; but they know not the reason of these things.

Go and ask a Christian priest why he wants to put down 'Mormonism' and, if he would honestly acknowledge the truth, he would say, 'It will upset our trade,' and, as the gentleman said in Washington, 'it will destroy our peculiar institutions.' The politicians say, 'if the 'Mormons' adopt the principle that honest men are to come into power, and they succeed with that principle, we will be rooted up and our means of gain taken from us.'

You understand that a petition was sent from the Legislature of this Territory, begging of the President of the United States to send no more damned scoundrels here, but to send good men; then it went on to tell him, if he did not send good men we were not going to have them. It was considered, by Congress and the great men of this Government, as one of the greatest outrages and equivalent to treason, because we said we would not receive the cursed scoundrels that could be scraped from the very scum of the earth and bow down to them and lick the dust of their feet.

We are right in this matter, whether we act as Saints of the Most High God or as citizens of the Republic of the United States. There could not

be a greater outrage committed on any community than to place over them, contrary to their choice, corrupt demagogues to rule their destiny. The idea of forcing these corrupt dogs on a community to rule it is what I call dog-matism.

I am not very familiar with the dictionary, but I will tell a story that will illustrate my meaning. A fine fellow, who considered himself smart, had married a learned lady and he felt very proud of her learning and education and, in order to be on a par with her, he used many very pretty words and, now and then, one he did not understand the meaning of himself. On one occasion he used the word dogmatism improperly. Says she, 'My dear, what is the meaning of that word?'

He drew down a hard face and said, 'Dogmatism, dogmatism, my dear, why, it is full-grown puppyism.'

I do consider that to undertake this kind of measure is full-grown puppyism, whether it is to exterminate men for their religion or to annihilate them from the earth for political motives.

Every human being has rights and it is a true principle, in all governments upon the earth, that governors should rule by the consent of the governed, but there is not a people on the face of the earth, that I know anything about, except the Latter Day Saints, that are actually governed in this way. In our government all our movements are by the unanimous consent of the governed, and we are the only people on the earth that observe this constitutional principle. Other people may try to do it to some limited extent.

When men are placed as rulers and governors to control the destinies of any people, they must do it by the consent of that people, or it is unlawful, unconstitutional, unjust, unholy; God himself does not rule the children of men upon any other principle. 'You can serve me, live under my dominion, observe my laws if you choose,' says the Lord, 'if not, you may serve the devil and reap the reward that follows.'

I forgot, however, that I was preaching a religious sermon when I ran off into politics, but I have had my head a little charged with politics of late and, consequently, when I undertake to preach, it is natural for me to shoot off in that direction.

We, as a people have to depend, to a great extent, upon the policy we adopt. We have got to respect ourselves, at least, if the world will not respect us. It will not be many years until the world will understand that when they speak of us, we are to be respected; they will realize, feel and understand this more and more.

To be sure, we have submitted to them, suffered our houses to be burned and ourselves to be driven from our homes. We suffered our friends to be murdered and we have fled into the wilderness; for twenty years we have fled before our enemies; but it is a long road that never has a turn; the day will come when our enemies will flee before us. There must be a change. Although they may despise us, let them remember, an old adage has it, that despised enemies are dangerous.

The time will shortly come when it will be considered better policy for men to stay at home and mind their business than to be marching a thousand miles to murder the 'Mormons.' The day will come when it will be considered more for the health and happiness of the human family to let the 'Mormons' alone.

Br. Hyde, in addressing us this morning, spoke very strongly about cutting out an ulcer. When any man goes to cutting off a member of his body, he mows it. If he only chops off his big toe, he cannot hop quite so good as he could be ore; so when the Government of the United States, our dear uncle, whom I have always been so afraid of, chops off one member of the great confederacy, the work of dismembering begins.

Peace has been taken from the earth and there is little or no confidence among the children of men, and while all the devils in hell and all the priests upon the earth are at work to unite for the extinction of the kingdom, it is in the mountains, pursuing the even tenor of its way, every man minding his own business. But confusion will increase in the midst of the wicked, those who are our enemies, and, as says the revelation, 'the wicked will slay the wicked.'

The Lord says it is his business to take care of his Saints. The safest place on the earth is in Zion. If you were in the city of New York, San Francisco, St. Louis or any of those great cities and had ten dollars in your pocket, a valuable penknife or a gold watch and should happen to be walking the streets at night, you would be under the necessity of keeping a constant guard, peradventure your life should be taken for the property in your pocket. Policemen are not of much use; if you place two policemen in a street, there will be four robberies, if you place four, there will be eight robberies; they nearly all colleague together and no man that is decently dressed can lie down or walk the streets in safety or quiet in any of those cities without risking his life, almost as much as he would in facing an enemy on the battle field.

These are solemn truths, they are what I have seen. Somebody is after a stranger every moment he is in the streets, to rob him. Is it so here? No. This is the safest place on this earth and, as we learn more righteousness, divest ourselves more and more of selfishness and become more and more instructed in the intrinsic value of earthly substance, compared with eternal riches, the principle of safety will increase and the millennium will actually commence with this people.

There is yet in the hearts of our people, although the reformation has done a great work, a spirit of selfishness. We have got to divest ourselves of this principle, we have got to become so perfectly stript of it that we will love the Lord our God with all our hearts and our neighbors as ourselves, that our hearts will not be set upon our own property or upon the property of others, so as to covet the things that pertain to this world, and that, with our whole soul, mind and strength we will desire to serve the Lord our God, that we would just as soon set fire to our own dwell-

ings, sacrifice our property and flee into the mountains, to dwell there in dens, caves and holes, as did the ancients, as dwell in palaces and enjoy the soft raiment of kings.

Every man and woman should cultivate in their hearts a desire to love the Lord, keep his commandments and appreciate the spirit and the freedom of the gospel and the privilege and blessing of the fullness of the Holy Priesthood more than all the treasures upon the face of the earth.

Do you recollect that when the children of Israel were invading the land of Canaan to drive out the Canaanites and inherit the land, in some instances they coveted the property of their enemies? In one instance an individual stole a wedge of gold and a Babylonish garment. Because of this, God was offended and suffered Israel to be driven before their enemies. Let us not be caught in this snare, but cast out from our hearts every principle of covetousness and let our desires be to serve the Lord.

If our enemies will let us alone, we are rich enough and can enjoy all the comforts of life that we need to make us healthy and happy, and we will spring forth a mighty people. If they do not let us alone, God will preserve us and reward us for all the sacrifices we have to make. Covet not anything that is theirs, let not our spirits desire it, but in all things do as we are counseled and pray God for wisdom, knowledge and intelligence to live righteously, soberly and be devoid of idolatry, to be prepared to dwell as Gods and reign and have dominion in our time and season.

Had it not been for the faith and works, the union and exertions of the Saints, we might this day have had our streets paraded with the martial forces of our enemies, but God has blessed us for our faith and exertions, for our willingness to listen to the counsel of him whom He has appointed to direct us, to be our father and counselor in Israel. Because they have to spend their time in the mountains, some men may feel as though it is a waste of both time and labor to no good. Others say, 'we have been robbed so many times of our homes and so many of our friends murdered we would now like to draw the sword and slay our enemies.' If it had not been for this principle in the breasts of many, I do not believe our enemies would ever have crossed the South Pass.

I believe if we, as a people, were of one heart and mind and would place ourselves in the right position before the Lord and ask him for what we need, that we never would have any serious annoyance from our enemies; but it is a great labor to place the whole people in this position.

I believe, for the time the work has been progressing, that the people of Enoch's City were not more united than are the inhabitants of these valleys. I believe the greatest work has been performed towards bringing the children of men back into the presence of God since Joseph Smith commenced to preach the gospel to this generation, that ever was since the creation. It requires all our faith and watchfulness to continue the work and roll it on fast enough to keep out of the way of our enemies.

If there are any among us who have not obeyed the gospel, now is a good time for them to repent of their sins; or, if there are any who have not renewed their covenants, now is a good time for you to repent of your sins and be re-baptized for the remission of them, and let it be our whole intent and only desire to serve the Lord our God all the days of our lives. May the blessings of Israel's God rest upon us, is my prayer in the name of Jesus Christ: Amen.

#### Present Condition of the Jews.

The Philadelphia Ledger, in an article upon this subject, remarks that at the present moment a Jew stands at the head of nearly every walk in life throughout Europe. The Rothschilds command the money market of the old world; D'Israeli, a Jew, leads the House of Commons; a Jew is Lord Mayor of London; in Germany, half a dozen of the most distinguished Professors are Jews. It is doubtful whether the late war in Europe could have been carried on without the aid of the Rothschilds. They loaned immense sums to both Russia on the one hand, and the Allies on the other. They have more recently offered to furnish the Bank of France with thirty millions in gold. These sons of Israel hold the purse strings of the world, are the real kings of Europe, and wield a sceptre of wider influence than did David, in the zenith of his fame.

The Jews now number ten millions, and are rapidly increasing in this country. Is it not wonderful? All the annals of mankind may be searched in vain for a parallel to their astonishing history. Four thousand years ago their inspired prophets predicted that they should be scattered in all lands, yet not merged with other nations, and here they are still distinct as the Gulf Stream in the Atlantic Ocean, indestructible as the eternal hills. Their temple has been destroyed for nearly two thousand years, the sword, the axe, the firebrand have been at work upon them during all that period, but their conquerors and persecutors have passed away, the nation that first took them captive have no longer a place upon the world, but they remain unhurt, immortal, imperishable. Their altar and their sacrifices have ceased, but he who visits the Jewish Synagogue will see the same Synagogue worship that existed before the destruction of Jerusalem, and which the Savior of mankind honored with His Divine presence. It has justly been said that the preservation of the Jews is a standing and a perpetual miracle in proof of the truth of Revelation.

To be a woman of fashion is one of the easiest things in the world. A letter describes it thus: Buy everything you don't want; pay for nothing you get; smile on all mankind but your husband; be happy everywhere but at home; hate the country; adore the city; read novels; neglect your children; nurse lap-dogs, and go to church every time you get a new shawl.

**TIT FOR TAT.**—Some time ago one of the churches in Salem had a misbehaving brother up for discipline, and were about to excommunicate him, whereupon the world's people held a meeting outside, and voted not to receive him, unless he should be returned in as good condition as when delivered to the Church!

**TO PICKLE GREEN TOMATOES.**—Chop the tomatoes fine, with two green peppers, add one teacup of fine salt to one gallon of the tomato, let it stand twenty-four hours, then drain it through a collander, then add three tablespoons of black pepper, three of fine mustard, two of cloves and one of cinnamon. Put it in a small jar and cover with cold vinegar.

#### BUSINESS NOTICES.

##### FURNITURE.

**WANTED**—In exchange for Furniture—SCRIP, WOOD, LUMBER, PRODUCE, &c. H. W. NAISBITT 29tf

##### ROPE AND TWINE.

**W. A. McMASTER**, Rope, Twine, Lasso, Girth, Broom and Weavers' Twine Manufacturer, 11th Ward, informs the public that he will break and dress Hemp and Flax, or spin any of the above named to all who wish, on cheap terms, &c. 27tf

##### J. L. HEYWOOD.

**HAT, Cap and Muff Manufacturer**, 17th Ward. WANTED in exchange—all kinds of Furs, Sheep and Lamb's wool; also all kinds of produce, County and Territorial orders. 21-1f

##### SHEEP, CATTLE & HORSES

**WILL** be taken by us on Bingham Creek south to herd or raise on shares, at the usual rates, length of time immaterial with us. We shall prepare to feed our stock when necessary during the winter. (7tf) BLAIR & BROTHER.

##### Brand Sheets! Brand Sheets!

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the Brand Sheets, now neatly bound, can be had by calling at the President's Office, price \$1 cash or wheat at cash price taken in payment. Persons having cattle estrayed, or those purchasing, will find it to their advantage to have the Brand Sheets by them for reference. H. B. CLAWSON, Recorder of Brands. 49f

##### W. BALLAN,

**WATCH-MAKER**, respectfully informs the inhabitants of Great Salt Lake City and vicinity, that he intends carrying on his business in the house formerly occupied by A. L. Hale, North Temple st., 17th ward, and will warrant all work done by him to give satisfaction, as he understands his business in all its branches. Jewelry neatly repaired; charges very moderate. 43-1f

##### ENGRAVING SHOP.

**A. T. J. M. BARLOW'S**, 1st door east of the Deseret Store, where all kinds of engraving may be done. Names engraved on guns, watches, rings, spoons, knives, &c. Public Hands and others please take notice. Any kind of available pay taken. Terms moderate. DAVID MACKENZIE, Engraver. 25-1f

##### NOTICE.

**THE** Subscriber, having purchased the Woollen Factory at Jordan Mills, formerly owned by Mr. Gaunt, has repaired and fitted it up in good order and has it in successful operation. Carding, Spinning, Weaving, Fulling and Dyeing done to order at short notice, and on reasonable terms. With a new set of cards and good workmen, he flatters himself that he can do as good work as can be done in the Territory. Wool worked up on shares, if desired. 20-1f A. GARDNER.

##### ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

**HAVING BEEN APPOINTED ADMINISTRATOR** of the Estate of Thomas Tennan, deceased, by the Judge of the Probate Court for Great Salt Lake county, the undersigned hereby requests all persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate, to come forward without delay and cancel the same, and those having demands against said estate will please file them with the Judge of the aforesaid Court, properly authenticated, as soon as circumstances will permit and within the time specified by law. DANIEL SPENCER, Administrator. 44tf

##### ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE!

**THE** undersigned having been appointed by the Judge of Probate for Great Salt Lake county Administrators of the Estate of A. W. Babbitt, deceased, hereby notify all persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate to come forward without delay for settlement; and all persons having claims against said estate will please file them with the Hon. Elias Smith, Probate Judge, on or before the first day of June, A.D., 1867. JULIA ANN BABBITT, W. H. HOOPER, BENJ. F. JOHNSON, Administrators. 42-1f

##### Cows, Sheep and Herding.

**I AM** now keeping a herd at Santuquin (or Summit creek) and prepared to take cows and sheep on shares, or any kind of stock to herd, both summer and winter, and to make myself responsible for all losses sustained by neglect or mismanagement. I will give one half the butter, cheese and increase from cows, and one half the wool and two thirds the increase from sheep, and will deliver without expense the butter, cheese and wool as it becomes due. Our range for stock, both for summer and winter, is unsurpassed in the valleys of these mountains. Those in or near G. S. L. City having stock to let to be herded can inquire of or leave their stock with D. T. Le Baron, Mrs. A. W. Babbitt's residence, G. S. L. City; and any one desiring to trade sheep for good work oxen can by him be accommodated. 6tf B. F. JOHNSON.

##### WHEAT AND CLOTHING.

**BRING** along your substantial Clothing and Exchange on liberal terms for wheat, corn, cattle, pork and other domestic products, at the Deseret Store.

For the purpose of a more equal distribution of clothing throughout the settlements, it has been suggested by the First Presidency that clothing of every description be deposited at the Deseret Store, and those who are in need to bring in their grain, &c., and be prepared to make the exchange for the articles needed.

Let everybody look over their wardrobes, turn out their drawers and boxes, and see what can be collected to supply the present wants of a large portion of this community.

P. S. In consequence of the Annual State Fair being held at the Deseret Store, the premises will be closed on Friday the 25th inst. and re-opened for business Oct. 6th.