

struct a tissue of lies, which will perhaps bring her a few dollars, but will not redound to her credit nor add to her self-respect.

The following appears in the *Philadelphia Press*, as a special dispatch from Salt Lake City, dated October 30th:

"Miss Jennie Coulter, the Presbyterian school teacher, who furnished the press of the country with true accounts of the life of the Mormon laity, has returned to Utah and has already felt the first effect of Mormon persecution.

"The Saints" were particularly angry because Miss Coulter said they lived on dried fish and burned sagebrush, just as they do in the rural communities, and demanded a retraction which has not been made by the young woman, although a frail little body has plenty of spunk and spirit. Her most unpleasant experience since her return, was at the village of American Fork, about 33 miles south of this city.

"When the intrepid school teacher arrived at the town where she formerly kept school to visit her successor, Mrs. Brush, the Mormons became very much excited and demanded that she take back all she had said about them or it would go hard with her. It is claimed that Dr. Brush, the husband of Mrs. Brush, was the instigator of the attack, as he claims Miss Coulter's remarks have ruined his practice. Mrs. Brush succeeded, however, in getting her friend out of town safely. The Doctor and Mrs. Brush were established in the town through Miss Coulter's good offices, and his friends cannot understand his recent action.

"It is hardly probable the Latter-day Saints would have dared to resort to open violence, as American Fork is on two lines of railway and only thirty-three miles south of this city and Fort Douglas. The entire United States garrison could be thrown into the town in two hours, and they would be only too glad to make short work of a mob who would attack a woman. Moreover, the Saints have a wholesome dread of martial law, and they know Utah has an executive in Governor Thomas who has not the fear of the Mormon Church before his eyes.

"Miss Coulter's friends in Salt Lake have presented her with a handsome six-shooter, which she is learning to be handy with. There is, of course, no danger in this, but the young missionary proposes to resume her teaching, this time at Fillmore City, the county seat of Millard County, and a veritable hot-bed of Mormonism. So it is just as well that she takes her six-shooter with her and goes prepared to use it if the Latter-day Saints attempt to make life a burden to her.

"Miss Coulter travels by rail from this city to Juab on the Union Pacific, and from thence goes by stage fifty miles to Fillmore. Some of her friends advise that an armed United States deputy marshal should quietly accompany the stage, ready for business if the brethren assail her. She will be subjected more or less to insults. But the plucky little woman says she is ready for them. She will go on with her work undeterred by anything the Saints may say.

"The 'Saints' have at times very original ways of showing their dislike to the Philistines. It is only a few years ago that a noble band of them out in Tuilla County frescoed the entire front of a Methodist minister's house with the contents of a cattle pen. This, they called using the

weapons of the spirit, pouring out the vials of God's wrath upon the enemies of his chosen people. Up in Kaysville a gang of the 'chosen' tried to blow up a Presbyterian schoolhouse on finding inside after school the young woman who was teaching there. These and similar incidents cause the Gentiles to smile when they hear the Mormon leaders talking about the law-abiding qualities of their flock."

It will be seen that whoever sent this special is a liar of the most devout stripe. We can give a good guess at his name, which doubtless commonly bears the title "Rev." at its front. We have no doubt he will obtain his full reward in the day when justice claims the penalty for the breaking of that law which says: "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor."

We have heard nothing of the arrival of this "female detective" here, and the whole story may have been invented in this city. But every Presbyterian as well as "Mormon" here, knows that the entire dispatch is a shameful misrepresentation of the people of this Territory. It is not likely, however, that one of them, preachers included, will attempt to say anything in refutation of these vile slanders against those who have always treated them with kindness or at the worst with silent disregard.

If the folks at American Fork or at Fillmore know anything of this untruthful and ambitious female we would be glad to receive information. Facts and not comments or opinions are what we desire. It is to be hoped that no one will give this female romancer and pistol plagiarist the slightest reason for any of the stories of persecution she may design to fabricate. She should be let severely alone.

COMING TROUBLES.

PROF. J. RODES BUCHANNAN, the well known scientist, author of "The New Education," claims to be able to foretell events of the future on the principle of periodicity. He says that he cannot explain in a brief article the process by which he reaches his conclusions, but claims that they are unerring. Many of his past predictions have been verified. In a paper written last May and published in the August number of the *Arena*, he makes a series of gloomy statements in relation to the future, of which the following is a synopsis:

There are to be terrific seismic and tidal wave visitations on the Pacific coast, the Atlantic coast and along and contiguous to the

Mediterranean, in which populous and beautiful cities are to suffer appallingly. But what about home?

The professor predicts that the Atlantic and Gulf coasts will be nearly swept away from below New England to Vera Cruz, and Vera Cruz and Havana are to suffer.

The cities of our Atlantic seaboard, unless situated fifty feet above the ocean level will be either partially or wholly destroyed. New Orleans and Mobile will be half destroyed and Baton Rouge feel the rebound of the waters; south Florida will be drowned and lost as was the continent of Atlantis; St. Augustine will be damaged severely; Charleston will be half submerged; Newbern suffer much more; Port Royal will be swept from the coast of South Carolina; Norfolk and Pensacola will suffer equally; Petersburg and Richmond will not be disastrously injured; Washington will be submerged in her low grounds (the White House and the great departmental buildings and the Washington Monument are in this hollow). Baltimore and Annapolis will feel more the severity of the convulsion; the water front and the church steeples and large buildings of Philadelphia will be injured greatly; Atlantic City and Cape May will be annihilated and Long Branch saved for the present by its bluff; the waves will visit Newark and Jersey City below the heights will be overwhelmed, while New York City is to be submerged south of Chambers Street and her water margin will suffer. Columbia Heights will save Brooklyn, but below to Rockaway will be new ocean depths for fishes.

Says the professor, whose programme of disaster has been generally followed in the above:

"To those who have faith in my judgment, and especially the readers of my works, I would say, do not remain more than fifteen years on the lowlands of the Atlantic coast, south of New England. Keep fully five years between yourself and the great calamity, to be absolutely safe."

According to Professor Buchanan the greatest of all wars, one between the people and plutocracy, will occur in the United States, after six years, years of calamity to the people, nineteen years hence, and will not be arrested until 1916. Besides being a labor and capital war, it will have for its side issues religion and Afro-Caucasianism.