

free," what wrong would there be in expending it for that purpose? And to echo the words of the *Inter-Ocean*, "what do you propose to do about it?"

We propose to perform the work imposed upon us by divine commandment. That is, to preach this Gospel of the Kingdom in all the world as a witness to all nations that the end is near; to aid in the work of gathering the elect from all parts of the earth; to prepare the way before the coming of the Son of Man; to build up Zion; to labor as God shall direct for the establishment of the latter-day kingdom and glory, no matter who may object or oppose.

What do our opponents "propose to do about it?" They propose to interfere in the work of the Omnipotent Jehovah. They should remember the adage that "man proposes, but God disposes." And we can promise them in advance that they will fail. All that they do to hinder this work will aid to spread and increase it; as it has been in the past, so it will be in the future. According to a dispatch from Washington, the Department of State intends to do something to check "Mormon" immigration, or as stated, "to diminish the influx of deluded female converts." This may be one of those manufactured bits of news which correspondents at the capital are so famed for working up when there is a dearth of sensations. And it is possible that the rumor is correct. In any event it would be wise for those officials and journalists who are interested in the subject of "Mormon" immigration, to post themselves on the facts and figures in the case, before taking any rash steps which might succeed in nothing but in making themselves ridiculous.

It will be found on investigation that the object held in view by "Mormon" immigrants is to gather with the Saints in obedience to God's commandment, for the purpose of serving Him and fulfilling the scriptures. Also that the marriage feature of our faith, which seems to attract so much of the attention of its opponents, cuts but a small figure, if any, in the minds of these gathering converts. They are bound for Zion. They are not select persons, as supposed, picked out to swell the plural families of Utah. They are mostly in family groups, the husband, wife and children, frequently the grandame and grandpaw, people of all ages, from the infant to the octogenarian. Generally honest, industrious, thrifty people who make good, orderly, law-abiding citizens. In most instances the parents have been members of our Church for years, and have been steadily saving a portion of their earnings to pay their way to Zion. They are not "the scum of European cities" as frequently alleged, but the worthy, working classes, the right kind of material for colonizing and nation building.

The popular notion, and one that seems to have been imbibed by national officials is, that our Elders are sent out supplied with cash on a woman-hunting expedition and return with cargoes of females specially for "Mormon" harems. There is no foundation whatever for such an idea. In the first place there is no marrying mania in Utah as imagined outside. Those who have plural families have accepted responsibilities and cares that none but they can appreciate, out of regard for sacred principles. There is no anxious desire to multiply these conditions, but where assumed they are accepted as a matter of duty. In the second place our missionaries are simply preachers of the gospel, evangelists of the latter-day Church. They have no special mission to women more than to men. In the next place the companies which they bring home with them when they return are of the character we have described, and in which unmarried females do not by any means preponderate in numbers. And finally these immigrants are not prompted by any such motives as supposed, but—call them deluded if you will—are animated with the simple and main desire of going "up into the tops of the mountains to learn the ways of God and walk in His paths," as predicted by the ancient Jewish Prophet Malachi.

The telegram from Washington says:

"Whether the act of March 3d, '75, passed to exclude Chinese women, which makes unlawful the immigration of women imported for immoral purposes, is applicable to this class, is unsettled."

This is positively absurd, and the "unsettled" question arises from a total misconception of the actual truth. The Administration, in the ridiculous foreign circular of Evarts and in the present consideration, has been led, like the Government under Buchanan by those altogether unsafe guides, popular rumor and scheming, impecunious officials. An army was sent against Utah to suppress a rebellion which had no existence, to punish the "Mormons" for burning Government property that was found intact, and the whole affair was a fiasco as expensive as it was needless and shameful. And now measures are being considered to check a class of immigration that is as imaginary as the cause of the "Mormon" war, and to apply to "Mormon" immigrants a law that has no more bearing upon them than it has upon the disgraceful deadlock in the United States Senate.

The "Mormon" immigration cannot be stopped, because it is the work of the God of Israel. Hear it, Presidents and Kings, potentates and peers, rulers and magistrates, editors and priests! The God of heaven has set His hand to gather His people from all nations. His spirit moves upon them to forsake their native lands. He preserves them upon the great deep. He guides them to the spot where His House is being reared. It is His law that they observe in their movement, and in it they break no law of man either in the Old World or the New. Find out the facts before you attempt to block up their way, and do not allow prejudice and falsehood to influence you to folly, lest you not only expose yourselves to human derision, but find also that you have been fighting against God!

IT IT A CANARD?

"Deer Lodge.—The grand jury has indicted ten Mormons including two bishops for unlawfully voting in Montana for Delegate to Congress. One hundred Mormons residing in Utah and Idaho are said to have voted for the democratic candidate in Montana under assurance of protection. Deputy Marshal Rumsey has thus far made no arrests."

The foregoing came over the wires this afternoon. It is probably part of a plan to report the election for Delegate in Montana. It is a most unlikely thing that any "Mormons" whose residence is in Utah or Idaho would attempt to vote in Montana. It is contrary to all the teachings and rules of their own people and party. "Mind your own business" has often been cited as the "Mormon" creed. We have no right to interfere with the politics of our neighbors, nor to break the laws of States or Territories we may visit for business or pleasure. This is well understood by the Latter-day Saints, and we shall be greatly surprised if this dispatch turns out to be anything but a canard. However, if any "Mormon" has foolishly gone from Idaho or Utah into Montana and voted unlawfully, he is amenable to the law and should be punished accordingly. No one here will object, whether he is a Bishop or a layman, so long as justice prevails. The most will be made of this rumor that is possible, but we believe it will prove either a telegraphic sensation or a huge exaggeration of some simple matter scarcely worth mention. We wait for further news.

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, MAY 8.

Immigrants Arrived.—The immigrants arrived last night, as expected. All looked well and were enjoying good health. Most of them were met by their friends at the depot. Only about 20 took quarters at the Emigrant House in the Tithing Yard. One of the company, a young man, died on the ocean and his remains were consigned to the deep. Otherwise, the voyage was in every way prosperous.

The Emery County Homicide.—In regard to the homicide in Ferron Precinct, Emery County, mentioned in the News a few evenings since, in which Charles Rickards came to his death by being struck with a neck-yoke in the hands of James Ivie, a gentleman just in from that region states that the quarrel was reported to be during a drunken spree in which the two got to fighting, and Ivie, securing the

neck-yoke, killed Rickards in self-defense. The deceased was known as a bad character. He was nearly stabbed to death by a man named Gibson, at Green River last fall, in a similar quarrel.

From the South-west.—Brother William Howard, of Huntington, Emery County, and his brother, L. A. Howard of Cottonwood, called upon us yesterday afternoon. They are both the sons of Sister Elizabeth Howard, well known as one of the leading spirits of the Ladies Relief Society. The first mentioned gentleman arrived last Tuesday from Huntington, where he has been residing since last fall. He will attend to some business here and return home next Monday. Huntington is a settlement of 60 families, all "Mormon" but one, well situated in the northern part of the county, near a stream larger than Big Cottonwood Creek, and capable of supplying plenty of good water to the settlers. The soil in the vicinity is good, and an abundance of timber for building purposes is at hand. The route of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad runs within three miles of the town, to the eastward, and as the work of grading has commenced, plenty of labor for men and teams is thereby furnished. The town was organized last August and is thriving. There is room for more settlers, and they would be very welcome.

Drowned.—A sad event occurred in Mill Creek Ward, about 11 o'clock this morning. A little two-year-old son of Peter Peterson, who lives just south of the farm residence of Mr. John R. Winder, was playing in the back yard with a number of other children, when he accidentally fell into an open well, and before he could be rescued was drowned. As soon as the accident occurred, the other children ran into the house and alarmed Mrs. Peterson, and her screams attracted to the spot her husband, who was working in the field, and Watermaster C. H. Wilken and Supt. Chas. Livingston, who were riding by on their return from the canal works in that neighborhood. They immediately alighted and rushed into the yard. The child had been taken out of the well and the father, mother and some neighbors were working over it. The new comers did all in their power to assist in its restoration, but was dead. The well was eight or ten feet deep and contained about four feet of water. It was about six feet in diameter, and totally uncovered except by a narrow plank upon which the person stood who went to draw water. Exactly how the mishap occurred, or how long the child remained in the well before it was taken out, is unknown. It is certainly a reprehensible fact that the well was allowed to remain in such a condition, and while we do not wish to say anything to add to the pain of the bereaved household, we trust this sad fatality will act as a warning in the future against all such lack of caution.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY, MAY 7.

Missionaries.—Those missionaries for Europe and the United States, who did not depart for their fields of labor in April, will take notice that the next company of Elders will leave this city on Tuesday, May 31, at 7 o'clock a. m.

Emigration Agent.—We are pleased to learn that Elder W. C. Staines, Church emigration agent, is in better health than when last reported. His ailment is nervous debility. He has been released temporarily from the duties of his office, and Elder James H. Hart, of Bear Lake, appointed his successor.

Returned Missionary.—Elder William W. Jackson, of American Fork, who left home on a mission to Europe December 2, 1879, returned home on Thursday evening, having been absent from Utah a little less than 18 months. He labored in England during this time, at first as travelling Elder in the Stafford District of the Birmingham Conference, on leaving which he was succeeded by Elder Wm. Turner. During their united labors, 30 souls were baptized in that District. He next went to the Nottingham Conference and labored in the Leicester and Derby Districts, but was not there long before he was appointed to take charge of the Southampton Conference. This position he held when released to come home. During his administration in Southampton, where his duties were rather arduous, he distributed a large

number of tracts and baptized one person, a fine, intelligent young man. Brother Jackson looks and feels well. He left for home this morning.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY, MAY 9.

The Wrong Place.—Saturday's issue of the *Ogden Herald* contains the following:

"A peculiar performance was given in Ogden last night. It would be difficult to tell whether it was partly or solely illusory, or spiritualistic. Anyway, according to the statements of parties who attended, the entertainment was by no means of a high order. Table lifting and the mysterious appearance of hands were among the phases of the exhibition. The gentleman who directs the concern called upon us yesterday and, in answer to questions upon the subject, he said he was himself at a loss to account for some of the effects that were produced.

There is one feature connected with the matter that causes a feeling of regret—that an entertainment of this class should have taken place in the Tabernacle, a structure erected for and devoted to purposes of divine worship. The separation between the two classes of exercises is so infinitely wide that their being conducted in one and the same building is, to say the least, somewhat anomalous; rather out of the way of the eternal fitness of things. We presume the precise character of the performances could not have been known in the outset.

The strictures of the *Herald* are sensible and well timed. We endorse them heartily. "Table lifting" in the Tabernacle of God, is as much out of place as "money changing" in the Temple of God.

Fatal Accident.—A correspondent at Heber City, writes on the 5th inst. of a fatal accident which took place in the Provo River on May 4th, in which a young man by the name of Nymphus H. Murdock was killed. His body was taken to Heber the same day, and an inquest held at the residence of his father, between the hours of eight and nine o'clock that evening.

Following is the verdict rendered:

Territory of Utah, }
County of Wasatch, }
Heber Precinct. }

Verdict of Jos. S. Murdock, in' Heber City, Wasatch County, on the 4th day of May, A.D., 1881, before Thos. S. Watson, Justice of the Peace in said county, upon the body of Nymphus H. Murdock, there lying dead, by the jurors whose names are hereunto subscribed.

The said jurors upon their oaths do say, that the said Nymphus H. Murdock, now lying dead, came to his death by accident, by means of a log striking him in the back while working on the Provo River in the employ of J. O. Swift, causing instant death.

And the said jurors do further say that they verily believe said accident to have occurred through carelessness on the part of the foreman, in allowing too many inexperienced hands to go upon the jam at one time.

In testimony whereof, the said jurors have hereunto set their hands the day and year aforesaid,

THOMAS HICKEN, Foreman.
JOHN TURNER,
ROBT. S. DUKE.
Attest: C. THOMAS WATSON,
Justice of the Peace.
WM. BUYS, Clerk.

Runaway and Accident.—An alarming runaway, accompanied by a severe accident, took place yesterday, between 1 and 2 p.m., in the southeastern part of the city. An elderly gentleman, whose name we did not learn, was about to drive his wagon, containing his wife and two of his grandchildren, up to the Tabernacle. The wagon stood facing the north, about half way down the block south of the southeast corner of the 8th Ward Square. The lady and her infant grandchild were in the back seat, the other child, a boy of about five years, was in the front seat and the driver was in the act of mounting to the place beside him, when the boy got hold of the lines, and in some way frightened the horses, and they started to run. The driver was thrown back underneath the wheels, which passed over him and broke three of his ribs, while the wagon and team sped northward. The little boy attempted to jump out, but his grandmother, with rare presence of mind, prevented him and forced

him off the seat down into the bed of the wagon with herself and the infant. The team ran north two and a half blocks, then turned and went east one block, then wheeled southward and ran as far as what is called the "Clover Patch," in the First Ward. Here they were stopped by Mr. W. Calder, Jr., on horseback, who had pursued them for several blocks. After reaching them he jumped off his horse, and attempted to catch the lines. He first grasped one of the tugs, and received a kick on the thigh from one of the runaway animals, but he was eventually successful in getting hold of the lines and stopping the horses. The inmates of the wagon were unhurt, and with the exception of the seats and the reach, which were broken, no other damage was done to the vehicle. We have not heard how the injured man is getting along. Dr. Benedict attended him.

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A Car to arrive next week, the only Spring Wagon with burr patent body. The finest express tops to accompany same, an examination is solicited.

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L. B. MATTISON.

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It seems strange that anyone will suffer from the many derangements brought on by an impure condition of the blood, when SCOVILL'S BLOOD AND LIVER SYRUP will restore perfect health to the physical organization. It is indeed a strengthening syrup, pleasant to take, and has proven itself to be the best blood purifier ever discovered, effectually curing Scrofula, Weakness of the Kidneys, all Nervous disorders and Debility. It corrects indigestion. It makes the old feel young, and the young feel gay; and will invariably drive out of the system the many ills that human flesh is heir to. A single bottle will prove to you its merits as a health renewer, for it acts like a charm, especially when the complaint is of an exhaustive nature, having a tendency to lessen the natural vigor of the brain and nervous system. (1)

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INDIGESTION.

The main cause of nervousness is indigestion, and that is caused by weakness of the stomach. No one can have sound nerves and good health without using Hop Bitters to strengthen the stomach, purify the blood, and keep the liver and kidneys active, to carry off all the poisonous and waste matter of the system. See other column.

In the Whole History of Medicine.—No preparation has ever performed such marvelous cures, or maintained so wide a reputation, as AYER'S CHERRY PECTORAL, which is recognized as the world's remedy for all diseases of the throat and lungs. Its long-continued series of wonderful cures in all climates has made it universally known as a safe and reliable agent to employ. Against ordinary colds, which are the forerunners of more serious disorders, it acts speedily and surely, always relieving suffering, and often saving life. The protection it affords, by its timely use in the throat and lung disorders of children, makes it an invaluable remedy to be kept always on hand in every home. No person can afford to be without it, and those who have once used it never will. From their knowledge of its composition and effects, Physicians use the CHERRY PECTORAL extensively in their practice, and Clergymen recommend it. It is absolutely certain in its remedial effects, and will always cure where cures are possible. 1 ds

Arrived.

A large stock of Peerless Mowers and Reapers have just arrived they are pronounced by all who have seen them to be superior to any Mower or Reaper before offered in this market. A large consignment en route for this yard.

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