to find mean and wence, gentlement and ladies, industries and trade-just the same here as elsewhere, indeed, when one says "the same, it may be added "only neore so," for, so far as any one can see, industry and good conduct generally before the world, are superior to what we find in older communities, take any nothing of communities as young as this. Twenty-four years ago isrigham Young led them here, and now we find a beautiful city of some 10,00 linhabitants, self-supporting and abounding in wealth, and in many respects a mighty power in all the region round. The most striking features of the place are the earnestness with which the people labor for the good of their city and for each other, and the evident desire, with the acquisition of wealth, to enjoy the comforts and the luxuries of life. Religious fervor enters into all they do, quife a much, if not more, than in many Catholic countries, but the pleasure of this life are evidently never sacrificed to any life eternal, and the evidinances of their Church seem carefully adapted to this taw of things. toming here as we did, as Agricultural editor, it seemed to most of us that the so-cial and theocratical aspects of Mormondom would be subjects foreign to care pen, but the religion of the Mormons and thoir social practices are so materially bound up with their agricultural and industrial prosperity that it is impossible to avoid taking both together in order to obtain a proper idea of the sources of agricultural prosperity—for prosperices are and have been in the highest degree. Indeed, the Mormon people seemed auxious that we should judge and speak of them freely in all the aspects of life. Branches, the more popular and how the sources of agricultural prosperity—for prosperices are and have been in the highest degree. Indeed, the Mormon people seemed auxious that we should judge and speak of them freely in all the aspects of life. The public institutions were everywhere ones to us. their pri-

Their public institutions were everywhere open to us, their private dwellings placed at our disposal, and the freest social intercourse permitted between us and their families. Whatever questions we asked were kindly answered, and our investigations aided in every possible way; and although three days spent in this way is not of course sufficient to give us a full knowledge of Mormon life, it was an opportunity of forming a judgment of things seldom accorded to the Gentile race. Perhaps the best illustration of the character of Mormon influence in shaping things would be an account of a visit to the fire department, and a comparison of this portion of the community with similar classes in other communities. The engines are of the Holly pattern, light but effective, and are drawn to fires wholly by hand. The companies are wholly volunteer, and from twenty to forty members can be generally gathered together within a few minutes after a fire breaks out. The engineer prided bimself on the fact that he could get up at any areas. minutes. Most of the work of re-pairing the engines, fitting to-gether new parts, and much other incidental work, is done by the members of the company. In one, the "Ploneer Company," that we examined, there were complete sets of workmen's tools, from car-penters to engineers.

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melodeon, with a rich store of music, checker boards, chess boards, and a billiard table. All drink is absolutely prohibited in the body of the building, and spirits absolutely, but light wine and nie are kept in the ceilar, which are permitted to be used by order of the chief engineer whenever the men may be exhausted by active duty.

Our visit was entirely unexpected, being indeed confined to three of our party, and we came on the men in their private rooms and at their recreations entirely unexpect-

nen in their private rooms and at heir recreations entirely unexpected, and, though they were all entaged in some of the various occusations sketched above, all was conducted with strict decorum. In these towns, where the water is supplied on the irrigation plan, from mountain streams, large cisterns are sunk at the corners of the principal streets, so as to permit of a good supply of water for the steam-engines in case of fire.

This habit of beginning all undertakings by prayer seems general. During our stay we were introduced to many kinds of amusements and social recreations, on all of which

to many kinds of amusements an social recreations, on all of which the blessing of Heaven was fewently implored, and in most in stances seemed to be so thoroughly heartfelt by those who participate in the exercises as to be in striking contrast with much of the colformality with which such development as a participated in the contrast with much of the colformality with which such development as a participated in the contrast with much of the colformality with which such development as the contrast with much of the colformality with which such development of the colformality with th and horticultural operations are intered into in just such a true hat Providence will aid and ble hem. Call it superstition if will; say if we like that their system founded on a gross imposition assert if we choose that some of the leading men can scarcely believe in the Divine origin of their doctrines—still the fact is that the people generally do it heartily and sincerely, and it is really pleasant in these days of hypocrisy and sham to find so much real earnestness, and we cannot but believe that their great faith in an everruling Providence, and that he will bless them in their undertakings, does have a wonderd that he will bless literal his idertakings, does have a wond I influence on their astonishi

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