

Correspondence.

Slanders—Preaching—Opposition,
Etc.WESTVILLE,
Montcalm Co., Mich.,
June 11th, 1877.

Editor Deseret News:

Dear Brother—The volleys of slander which are belched forth by unprincipled men, for the purpose of destroying the work God has commenced, intensifies the prejudice of many. But it is also preaching the Gospel far and near. Reasonable, thinking people say, "What are we to believe? A thing, which causes much excitement about the Mormons, comes forth, but ere long it is proved false?" and they are led to exclaim, "Where is there a people that is persecuted like the Mormons? Are they not the people Jesus spoke of (24th chapter of Matthew, 2nd verse), which was to be hated of all nations for his sake? Is not this a sign of his coming? Again (1st John, 15th chap., 18, 19 verses, 'If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you. If ye were of the world the world would love its own; but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.' Would these Mormons be hated if they were the people they are represented to be? Would they not be of the world if they were so wicked? Then the world would love them. Why are these Mormons so hated? Why don't the good Christians pray for them, and take their Bible and convince them of their error? Why do not the newspapers recommend the Bible and missionary labors amongst them, instead of recommending Congress to take away their religious rights?" These are the expressions of many, but the more part exclaim, "Down with the Mormons!"

I went to Sumner, Gratiot County, on Sunday last, according to a previous appointment. I found the house, that is, the School-house, closed against me. I went to see the trustees, but they would give me no answer. However, the people assembled to a great number. The trustees were there, and some were for opening the house, and some for closing it. At last one of the trustees asked me if I believed in plural marriage. I answered I did. He said I could not go into the house. It caused considerable argument amongst the people. Some said I ought to be crucified. Some said, "That fellow is after more women." Some said, "Make a light so we can see him." Some cried one thing and some another against me, while others stood in my defence. At length I got upon the stiles of the fence and delivered a discourse upon Utah and her people for a short time. Then I took a text (Galatians 1 chap. 8, and 9th verses) showing that the gospel is not preached to-day as it was by the Apostles, except by the Latter-day Saints, and I bore them a faithful testimony. While I was speaking, some addressed me with all manner of abusive language, and once a stone hit me on the hat, nearly knocking it off. Others were very attentive, and expressed their desire to hear more. But there could be no public house obtained. This is a little of a missionary's life.

I wrote in one of my letters about being belled and drummed out of this place. Well, retribution commences to do its work. Some of the party have been arrested for counterfeiting silver coin, and are now in Stanton jail.

Times are very hard, no work hardly to be had, and many people are greatly suffering. Flour is \$8 per hundred, potatoes \$1.25 to \$1.50 per bushel, etc. The late drouth has damaged the crops greatly. There will not be more than half the yield there would have been if it had rained in season. It did not rain from the 21st of May till the 8th of June. The potatoe bugs are doing their work, and also the cut worm. The sorrel is making its growth in spite of the drouth, as also the cockle. It has been raining for the past four days, and we may get as much too much rain as we have had too little.

I am released to come home. I shall start as soon as I can get ready and the Lord opens the way. The Saints are full of the Spirit and anxious to get to Zion.

Your brother and fellow-laborer in Christ, Wm M. PALMER.

Water Distribution.

SALT LAKE CITY,
June 22, 1877.

Editor Deseret News:

Your last night's issue has a few seasonable remarks on irrigation, showing a commendable interest in public matters, and I feel encouraged thereby to request your publication of a few words further on the same subject.

While the water is abundant and so much of it constantly running to waste, it is not a little vexatious to those concerned that it is not better utilized for irrigating purposes. Undeniably, many inhabitants of the Sixth, Seventh, and Fourteenth Wards, at least, suffer great annoyance and loss in this particular. Many have had to abandon the cultivation of cereals altogether, because water for irrigation was not available. I do not know how it is in other localities, but I am certain that in the Wards named the water supply is made to be so limited, that through absolute necessity there is a constant tampering with the water sects in spite of the City Ordinance. Either the main sects are too small, or they are too few. There are persons who will not clean out their sects, and this is, doubtless, a principal cause of the difficulty, but surely it is the duty of me official to see to this. Again, could there not be a main sect running south in West Temple Street of the same dimensions with that in East Temple Street? This would double the supply. There can be no doubt of the need of it, and it would obviate all the difficulty in that quarter while the water is so plentiful. I think if the water masters concerned will adopt this or some other means of relief, they will find the people willing to pay the expenses.

SEVENTH WARDER.

The Arkansas Company.

COFFEYVILLE, Kansas,
June 17th, 1877.

Editor Deseret News:

Dear Sir—I drop you a few lines that you may know how the Arkansas company are getting along. We are now camped near Coffeyville. We have been detained by high waters and sickness. Our progress has been very slow. We have had two deaths and two births, and one brother very low, which have detained us some days, but he is improving. We hope to start again on Monday next.

In traveling through the Cherokee Nation we have been often visited by the Indians. They seem very anxious to learn our doctrine and more especially about the Book of Mormon. We have endeavored to inform them of its origin, also to show them by action as well as by words that we are their friends. They seem very kind to us in return. I feel that a few Elders sent among them would do great good.

The company feel well in the gospel, and the most of them wish to go into the United Order when at their new home.

N. P. BEEBE.

Crops—United Order.

RICHFIELD, Sevier County,
June 10, 1877.

Editor Deseret News.

The crops are all a little backward, but are doing finely, and it is the opinion of many that the prospects of a plentiful harvest were never seen to be as promising as they are now. Never before were so many rainfalls seen as in last April and May.

The United Order now enters on a new course in the way of running business, which, in the opinion of your humble correspondent, will greatly tend to the facilities of business and general prosperity. It is simply to have each department to take care of itself, independent of the others, and pay its own expenses, and a portion of their benefit to help in increasing its own capabilities, another portion to be used for the general good, or in starting a new line of industry and business. A few useless members have had the kindness to take themselves off from the United Order, so the balance will run all the better. The general feeling is patience and hopefulness, and also a determination to carry on the principles of the Order.

About eight families have united in living together in the same house. Without any or but little help from the outside, they have,

while fulfilling their duties to the United Order of Richfield, and amidst many difficulties, been able to erect a dining room and six sleeping rooms, and are prepared to build more as soon as time and means permit. So far as the experiment is concerned, it has been highly successful, and although our fare is humble, yet we all feel contented and happy, and feel the spirit of love, order, and unity among us. We feel that we have been greatly blessed thus far, in having been, by the providence of our Heavenly Father, able to accomplish so much with so little. Our little community numbers about forty-two souls, although not all as yet living together, on account of want of room. There is also in Joseph City a few families living together on the same principle.

There is a disposition among many to carry on the principles of united living among the people of Sevier Valley, but as yet only that of ours in Richfield and that in Joseph City have started on the path.

Let me say for my own part, that, as in my youth, in the old country, it was given to me, in answer to my prayer, that the gospel as preached by Joseph Smith and the Latter-day Saints was true and from heaven, so also, when Prest. Brigham Young preached the principles of the United Order, it was given unto my understanding that it emanated from heaven for the benefit of the Latter-day Saints. This is the testimony of your humble servant,

HENRY EDWARD DESAULES.

Anxious Mamma (to her Scotch brother-in-law, who is also family doctor)—"By he-by, Alexander, I'm so glad you've come. I wanted to talk to you about the baby. I can't understand why he do sn't speak yet. Surely he ought to by this time." Alexander—"Wee, ye see, Ann, ye just talk the verra highest o' English, an' my brither Joh, again, he just talks the verra blindest o' Scotch; an' the pair o' bairns, ye see, hasn't just made up its mind which side o' the house it'll just tak till."

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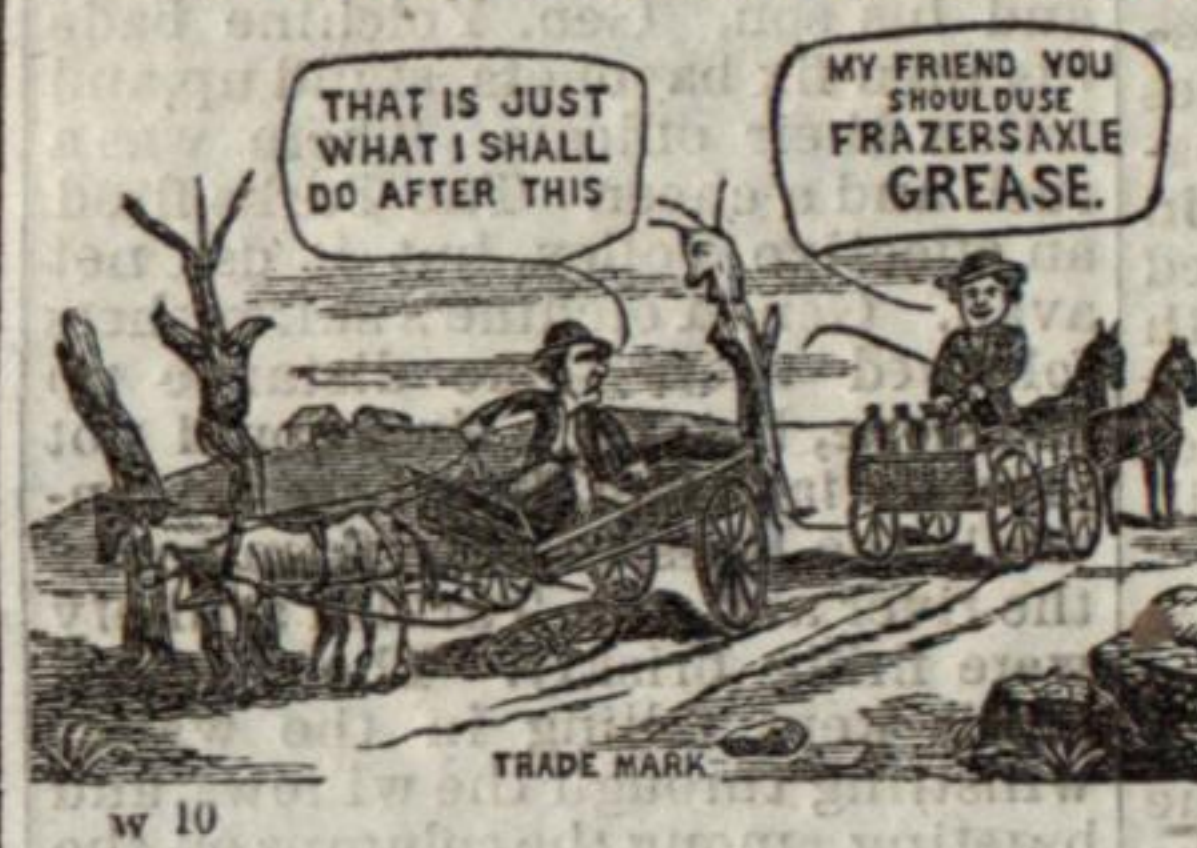
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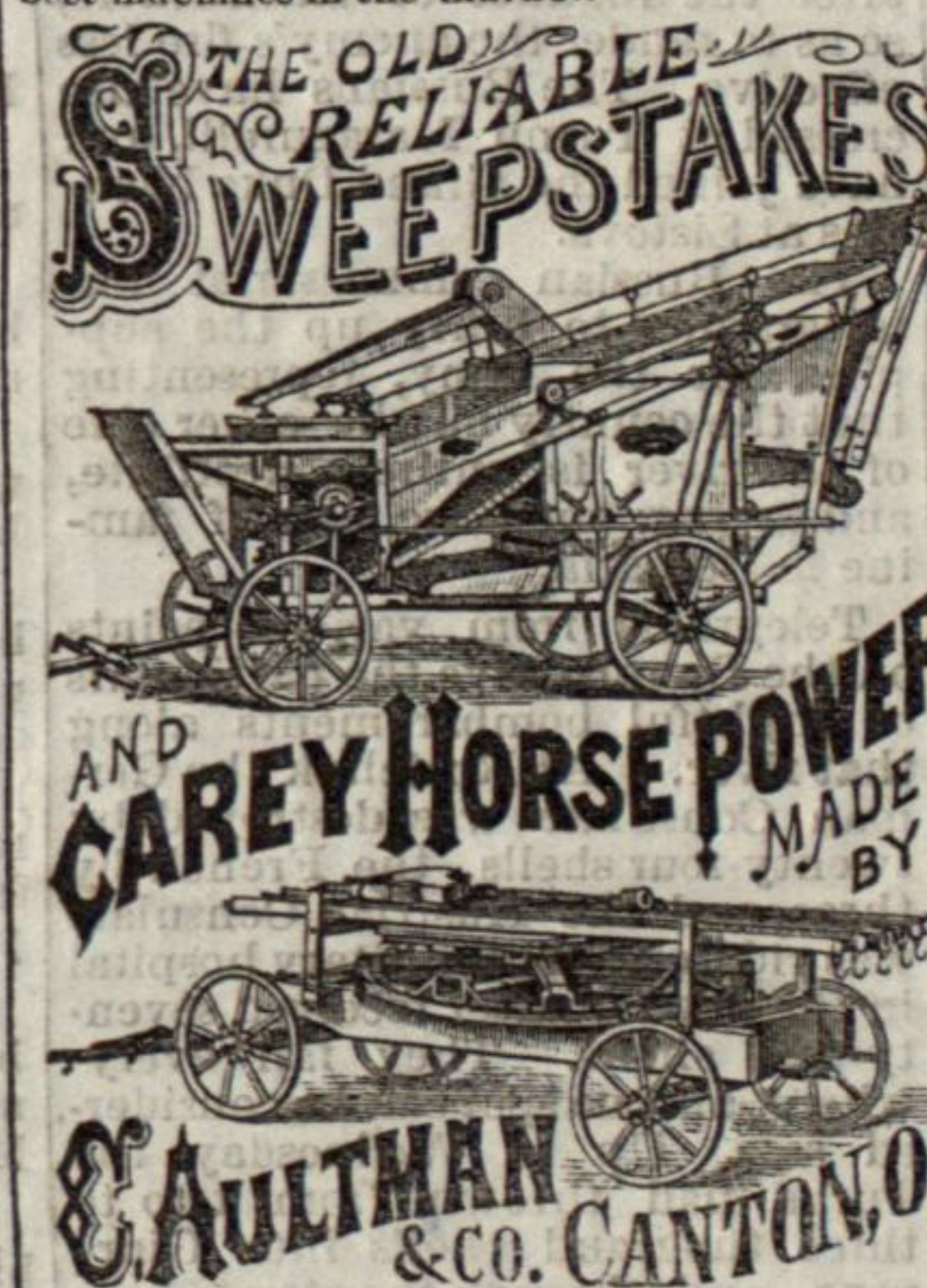
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