



against the peace of the Territory that, to tell the truth, polygamy really cuts no figure in this matter, but these "Mormons" vote as they are commanded by the heads of the Church. Investigation, if further pursued, discloses the fact that this is simply an unproved, and as far as can be ascertained an entirely groundless assertion. The people who deposit the ballots are not aware, of receiving any such command, and all they know about it is what they bear their enemies

vote or for whom they vote unless they choose to tell it, and, further, no one asks them how they voted or makes any fuss about it except the few malig nants who cannot control affairs through the ballot and therefore clamo

What ground, then, remains for the complaint that the great, overpowering and radical grievance that calls for drastic remedies is the dominance of the Church in local politics? It is simply and only this: Men who have influence in the Church, in some instances take an active part in politics. . is natural that if they are respected in one capacity they will be in the other, because the great majority of voters are members of the 'Church. And in the socalled "Mormon" Church religion is viewed as something more than sentiment. It is looked upon as combining faith with practice. It contains rules of living as well as tenets for belleving. And a true Latter-day Saint considers that his whole life and its acts should be governed and directed by the precepts and influence of the religion which he protesses. Thus, then a man whose experichce, stability and standing in the Church entitle his opinions to respect, is likely to have considerable influence

with his neighbors if he is permitted to take part in local politics.

The question, then, and the only real question left to be considered, is the right of leading men in the Church to take an active practical interest in the affairs of State. The coercion part of the objection may be dismissed at once, as undemonstrable and contrary to the evidence; and we will add, here, that it is entirely untrue, and simply absurd because impossible under the circumstances.

ly, it must be understood that the "Mormon Priesthood," about which so many foolish things are said, includes nearly all the adult priests and preachers of most religious character and of means. Many jo



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