

and their supporters who are in a rush. Deliberation means death to their intrigues. Investigation means ruin to their hopes. It has been haste and rashness that have brought trouble and distress upon Utah. Calm inquiry and wise waiting would have saved many of our statesmen vain regrets and many people here much needless suffering and expense.

We hope the President will take plenty of time and make sure he is right before he settles down upon his Utah policy. Sometimes delays are dangerous. In this case they will prove the ways of wisdom.

### "DAYLIGHT FOR UTAH."

UNDER the above heading the New York *Globe* publishes some excellent comments on the Report of the House Committee on Territories in relation to Utah affairs. The most important part of the Report is reproduced in the *Globe*, and the editor says:

"The Report which the Committee on Territories submitted to Congress on the 2d of March, as to the admission of Utah into the Union as a State, shows that the country is beginning to see that beautiful and prosperous Territory as it really is, and its people as they really are; and not as they have for a lifetime been maliciously represented to be by the enemies of the Mormons.

"Holding, as these enemies have for many years, every Federal office in the Territory, controlling the courts, the mails, the telegraph, and the Associated Press, and sustained by the fanaticism and religious intolerance of thousands of willing pulpits and newspapers throughout the country, they have been able to scatter their falsehoods broadcast over the whole Union, and to poison the minds of the great mass of the people outside of Utah against the men who, going thither when it was a treeless desert and in a foreign land, brought it into the Union, and have built it up into one of the happiest and most prosperous of all our Territories.

"The light of truth has, however, been at last let in upon Utah, chiefly through the fact that it has been brought into close and constant communication with the rest of the country by the opening of its mines, the great development of its trade, the construction of railways, and telegraph lines, and by the numberless attractions which have drawn to it tens of thousands of persons, intent on business or pleasure, and who have thus become familiar with the Territory and its people, and have learned how grossly they have themselves been deceived for years as to the Mormons and their country.

"And lately the Mormons themselves, for the first time in their history, and contrary to their earlier

traditions, have undertaken to repel the slanders of which they have been so long the victims, and to make known to their countrymen the true condition of things in Utah.

"The result of all this is that a committee of Congress, every member of which probably believed two years ago every falsehood that was circulated about Utah and the Mormons, now makes to Congress a report which shows that there is not on the Continent a frontier population of greater intelligence, or of higher civilization, than that of Utah, nor any community that is more virtuous, or more thoroughly American.

"We print the material parts of this report in today's issue, in the very words of the committee, and we commend it to the careful reading of every one."

### WHAT'S IN THE LARD?

SOME of the big pork-packing establishments of this country are alarmed over the action of the German authorities in relation to lard. It will be remembered that a few years ago there was a great outcry from England against impure American lard. France next joined in the protest. Then came Canada and Mexico and other countries, and now Germany prohibits the importation of impure lard.

There are some pretty strong stories told about the rendering down of diseased hogs for lard manufacture. The saving addition is made to them that such lard is used exclusively for exportation. This may be comforting for Americans, but not very honest in principle nor assuring to foreign consumers. Either the lard makers of the United States will have to be more particular with their hog-grease, or the ports of the world will be closed against their nasty messes.

Who knows what sort of "shortening" housewives get and unsuspecting husbands and boarders eat out of an innocent-looking can of lard?

### "THE RELIC LIBRARY."

THE first number of a work devoted to the reproduction of choice writings relating to the rise and progress of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has been published at York, Nebraska. It contains some articles and revelations of Joseph Smith, the Seer of the nineteenth century. The compiler is not a member of the Church, nor at present of any church, though we believe he was formerly connected with the organization commonly called Josephites.

If the succeeding numbers shall prove as authentic and interesting as the first, the work will be valuable to the public. Not because it contains anything new, for these writings were published years ago in the *Times and Seasons*, or *Millennial Star*, or other Church publication; but because they will be in convenient form for binding and preservation, and will perhaps aid in disseminating truths of great worth to the whole world.

The publisher is John R. Sheen; and while it should be understood that his collection called *The Relic Library* is not in any way authorized by the Church—the doctrines of which are to be set forth in its pages, we shall view with pleasure any honest effort to present to the world the genuine utterances of Joseph Smith, who will yet be recognized as one of the greatest prophets that ever came to man with "the burden of the word of the Lord."

### RIGID CHRISTIANITY.

CHICAGO is a great city in many ways. It is somewhat noted for its divines. Also for its anarchists, its hoodlums, its pig-killing, its pork packing, its political methods and sensational sermons. Its church-going folks desire also to be specially celebrated for extreme piety and rigid Sabbatarianism.

Recently there has been quite a disturbance over the desecration of the Sabbath by a tobacco-using pastor. He violated the sanctity of the day, and the tender sensibilities of his congregation, by purchasing five cents worth of tobacco and—being found out.

It does not appear whether he dropped a nickle in a slot and received a plug in return. But it seems his nerves were disturbed by contemplating the wickedness of the world and denouncing the sins of the times, and he had to resort to a chew to quiet them. Gum was not sufficiently sedative so he went for "the weed."

If he had been too attentive to another man's wife, or committed some other venial offense, he might have managed to procure a coat of whitewash to cover up his fault at little cost. But to invest a nickel in tobacco, or chewing gum, or candy on the Sabbath day was too awfully awful to escape the severest censure.

This is an advertisement of the rigid character of Chicago Christianity, and how particular it is, even in small things, and of course is