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unto this power, to overthrow the kingdom of the Jews, and to make straight the way of the Lord before the face of his people, to prepare them for the coming of the Lord, prepare them for the coming of the Lord, in whose hand is given all power. And again, the offices of elder and bishop are necessary appendages belonging unto the High Eriesthood. And again, the offices of teacher and dea-con are necessary appendages belonging to the lesser priosthood, which priesthood was confirmed upon Aaron and his sons. Therefore as Land concerning the sons Therefore, as I said concerning the sons of Moses—for the sons of Moses, and also the sons of Aaron shall offer an acceptable offering and sacrifice in the house of the Lord, which house shall be built unto the

Lord in this generation, upon the conse-grated spot as I have appointed; And the sons of Moses and of Aaron shall be filled with the glory of the Lord, upon fount Zion in the Lord's house, whose sons are ye; and also many whom I have called and sent forth to build up my church; For whose is faithful unto the obtaining these twoPriesthoods of which I have spoken and the magnifying their calling, are sanc-tified by the Spirit unto the renewing of

their bodies; They become the sons of Moses and of Aaron and the seeff of Abraham, and the church and kingdom and the elect of God; And also all they who receive this Priest-hood receiveth me, suith the Lord; For he that receiveth my servants re-For he that receiveth my servants re-

And he that receiveth me receiveth my Father And he that receiveth my Father receiveth ny Father's kingdom; therefore all that my father hath shall be given unto him : And this is according to the oath and cov mant which belongeth to the Priesthood. Therefore, all those who receive the Priesthood, receive this oath and covenant of my Father, which he cannot break, neither can it be moved; But whoso breaketh this covenant, after

he hath received it, and altogether turneth theref om, shall not have forgiveness of sins in this world nor in the world to come. These words that I have read in your hearing are found, as I have said, in the 84th section of the Book of Doc-

trine and Covenants. They contain truths that are of great importance to us as a people, and truths that should be impressed upon our minds, and hould not be forgotten by us. For in hese words which the Lord has given

unto us He has plainly foreshadowed the design that he has in view respecting his Church which He has raised up in the last days and this people unto whom He has given the everlasting Priesthood. In these words we are told the future of those who receive these two Priesthoods and magnify the ame, and the glory that God designs to bestow upon them. He also gives unto us in plainness the penalty that will rest down upon those who, after receiving this covenant, break the

panied by great blessings and promises

one hand we are promised in the plain-

est of all language that those who receive this Priesthood receive the Lord. For it is said: "They who receive this Priesthood re-ceiveth me, saith the Lord; For he that receiveth my servants re-

ceiveth me: And he that receiveth me receiveth my Father:

Andhe that receiveth my Father, receiveth my Father's kingdom; therefore all that my Father hath shall be given unto him; And this is according to the oath and cov-

Here is plainly pointed out to us as a people the future glory that God has in store for all those who receive and magnify the Priesthood. They are to receive the Father's Kingdom, and if they receive the Father's 'Kingdom, they are to receive all that the Father hath, for all that he hath will be given unto them. Can you conceive of this? Can any human being conceive of this? Can any human being conceive of the immeasurable extent of the glory here romised-the immeasurable extent of

Priesthood was taken from the midst of the Jews, and they have remained without Priesthood from that day until the present time, even the Aarome Presthood having been withdr wn from their midst-the authority to officiate in the ordinances pertaining thereunto restored in these last days through Peter, James and John, is the Priest-hood that continueth in the Church of God in all generations. The Church of God cannot be without it; for with-out it the power of Godliness is not made manifest to men in the flesh. A people can progress to a certain extent with the Aaronic Priesthood, but there is a limit to their progress. There are bounds beyond which they cannot pass. They cannot attain to the fulness of the glory of God the Eternal Father without the presence of the Melchise-dek; P. i sthood for as I have rea liny or r hearing, "This greater Priesthood ad-ministereth the Gospel and holdeth the

key of the mysteries of the kingdom even the key of the knowledge of God; therefore, in the ordinances thereof, [that is, in the ordinances of the hig er or Melchisedek Priesthood] "t iith. power of Godiness is manifest." This cannot be manifest without that higher Priesthood, without the power which accompanies it. "And without the ordinances thereof," the revelation continues, "and the authority of the Priesthood, the power of godliness is not manifest unto men in the flesh; for without this no man can see the face of God, even the Father, and live." Without this Priesthood, without its

ordinances, without its powers, with-out its gifts, "no man can see the face of God, even the Father, and live." Therefore it is essential that, if a peo-pic should be exaited unto the pres-erce of God, they should have this Melchisedek or greater Priesthood and the ordin nces thereof, by the means of which they are to be pre-

buring expression he gave utterance to when the Spirit of God rested upon covenant and turn away altorether therefrom. Therefore to the Latter-day-Saints this Gospel and this Priest-hood come on the one hand, accomthe seventy E cers and they prophe-sied. They were two of them that were not with the rest. They were in the camp and not in the tabernacle, yet panied by great blessings and promises, and great power and exaltation, and, on the other hand, they come accom-panied by dreadful penalties, by deg-radation and condemnation, greater than it would be possible for any being to reach unless he had had the oppor-tunities which the gospel and the Priesthood bring and afford. On the one hand way are presented in the data they prophesied also. And Joshua, jealous for the honor of Moses, jealous because Moses was a Prophet of God, and doubtless airild that these men

can conceive of glory, immortality and endless lives i we are faithful to the maintaining of our integrity and

that we should obey every law and submit to every ordinance and apply everything that is taught to us to ourselves and embody every principle in our lives as fast as it is taught to us. eginning with faith in the name of the Lord Jesus, and progressing from that principle forward by repentance, by baptism, by the laying on of hands, and by obeying the other laws and orlinances as fast as they are revealed. until we shall be prepared through obe-dience to law, and through the redemotion which obedience always brings to go back into the presence of God and the Lamb. We have entered upon an upward career. Let us press for-ward in that direction, adding faith to faith, adding knowledge to knowledge, adding gift to gift, adding power to power, until we shall behold the face of our Father and our God; and that will be granted unto us. It will be granted unto us to behold the face of Jesus; it will be granted unto us to have angels minister to us, and there is no blessing we shall not attain unto it we continue faithful to the Gospel and to the covenants of the Holy Priesthood that we have received. That God may help us to be faithful and lead us forward until we are brought back into His precence, is my prayer in the name of Jesus. Amen. The above was delivered in Paris, Bear Lake Co. Idaho, Sunday after-

noon August 10, 1884, Attitude of our enemies towards the Latter. day Saints-Their hatred of the Priest hood-The blessings received through the

Priesthood.

means of which they are to be pre-pared, or they shall be prepared to en-ter into the presence of God the Father and endure His presence. Now, Moses taught this plainly to the children of Israel in the wilderness. He endeavored to impress upon them the importance of so living as to retain this Melchisedek Priesthood in their midst—to so flive as to conform to the law, or laws, and requirements of this Melchisedek Priesthood. Says the revelation: He "sought diligently to sanctify his people that they might see the face of God." He wanted them to behold the face of God. You remeth-b write expression he gave utterance fort has been made to strip us who bear the Priesthood and who have been forward in keeping the commandments of God, of influence, the influence that has been justly can'd during long and faithful service for the benefit of the faithful service for the benefit of the people, and that attends the exercise of evel and political power. Our ene-mies thought that this would be a most excellent way of putting us un-der ban, and judging by the effect that it would have by the operations of such plans among themselves, they fondly hoped that success would at-tend their efforts, and that the influ-ence of the men, whose fault in their eves is that they bear the Priesthood. and doubtless air id that these men were transcending their authority, asked mores to forbid them. And Moses gave utterance to that memor-able, that glorious expression: "Envi-est hou for my sake? Would to God that all the Lord's people were proph-ets, and that the Lord would put His Spirit upon them." There was no feeling in his borthren having the spirit of prophecy, it excited no feeling in his bort to reprove them, or to check them, or to say to them that to check them, or to say to them that they were usurping some authority that belonged to him; no, there was no such feeting in his heart; for had he not sought to lead the people forward to enjoy that privilege? Had he not song at diligently to sanctify the peo-ple that they might behold the tace of God? "Therefore," said he, "would to God that all the Lord's people were prophets. Would to God that not only thesewanty Elders had the spirit of prophety resting down upon them, but this manner they hoped that they would in its power resting down upon him. How easy it would be for me," Moses conii have said, "to lead this people if all were prophets! How easy it would be for me to guide these hosts and to he for me to guide these hosts and to he for me to guide these hosts and to he for me to guide these hosts and to he for me to guide these hosts and to he for me to guide these hosts and to he for me to guide these hosts and to he for me to guide these hosts and to he for me to guide these hosts and to he for me to guide these hosts and to he for me to guide these hosts and to he for me to guide these hosts and to to check them, or to say to them that | mandments of God in a position where

acquainted with the everlasting Gospel as preached by the Eiders? heaven seemed to be opened to them, and they saw the Kingdom of God as they never had seen it and never had understood it. Truths that they had read carelessly and indifferently, without comprehending them, came to their minds with an assurance, and with a strength and force and power that they never had comprehended previously And has it not been a source of blessing from that day to the present to the faithful Latter-day Saint? Has not the Gospel come laden with benefits, laden with blessings, fraught with everything that would make men and women happy? Has it not brought peace to

py? Has it and joy to our sound ever beheld until the Gospel revealed it? Mankind, at the re-establishment of the Church of Carias, i knew nothing about the future. All was indeed a leap in the dark to the great majority of mankind. It be the future. It revealed to mare here, and the design God had in the future. It reveale i to us why we mare here, and the design God had in the future. It reveale i to us why we have come and associated as the place of gather-ing. Most wonderfully has God ful-action days to His servants concern-ing this latter-day dispensation, and the future. It reveale i to women look the future. It reveale i to us why we there here, and the design God had in the future. It reveale i to us why we there here, and the design God had in the future. It reveale i to us why we there here, and the design God had in the future. It reveale i to us why we there here, and the design God had in the future. It reveale i to us why we there here, and the design God had in the future. It reveale i to us why we there here, and the design God had in the future. It reveale i to us to most wonderfully has He poured out the inhabitants of the earth to cause them to contribute by their actions to the the inhabitants of these remarkable predic-were uttered thousands of the most work of the set thousands of the most work of the set thousands of the most work of the set thousands of the set thousands of the most work of the set thousands of the set reward that is assured to them. And so with everything connected with the future. The prospects of the future are made bright and glorious through the revelation of the Gospel, and it has brought, as I have said, peace to our hearts, peace to our habitations, it has made life enjoyable to us. It is most delightful to contemplate exis-tence in the light of the Gospel, and the associations that we have here now through the Gospel and through the exercise of the power and authori-

the exercise of the power and authorito of the Priesthord. So it is with everything connected with our lives. Let us glan e at our temporal prosperity. Our suemies talk about what others would do for us if they had the opportunity. But what have iley done? Look at our cities, towns and villages; examine the man-ner in which the local government of this Territory has been conducted, the light taxation and everything in fact connected with our material progress, and to whom is the credit due for the blessings we enjoy? Is this credit due to those who are socking to destroy the influence and power of the Priest-hood? Certainly not. This settlement of Hyde Park, the settlement of Smithheld, every settlement in fact in this valley has been founded under the auspices or direction of men of experianspices of unrection of inch of experi-ence, whom our enemies denounce be-cause they hold the Holy Priesthood of the Son of God. If we are lightly tax-ed, if we are out of debt, if our country is prosperous, it is due direct-ly to the counsels of these men, whose chief offence in the eyes of our enemies is that they are God's servants, whom

He has chosen, and to whom He has given wisdom to direct and manage affairs. The prosperity which has attended our people is remarkable, more espe-cially when we consider the yearly influx of poor people. I remember when I was in Europe, the four years I was there, upwards of 13,000 Saints were there, upwards of 15,000 Saints were emigrated, the most of them coming directly to Utab. At present we have an emigration of 2,000 to 2,500 per an-num coming into this Territory from abroad—poor people. Why, there is not another population in the country of our numbers that could absorb so many people as our community does without there being pauperism all over the laid. But there is no pauperism. God has blessed the people in their fields, in their flocks, and in all their labors. They have been greatly pros-pered, and they will continue to pros-per if they continue to listen to the voice of insuration and hearken to

voice of inspiration and hearken to the counsels of the Priesthood of the Son of God.

drous aspects with this work with which we are identified. And yet men There was, as it were, a new life ask for an evidence respecting the righteousness that we are gathered opened before them, even the gates of truth of this work! They ask for signs together. We could not operate in this direction with any degree of success if we were scattered among the na-tions of the carth. Our influence would be unfelt, it would be lost, it would have no effect. It is only by and miracles, as though there is any miracle that could be wrought in our sight that would compare in the very least degree with this great and mira-culous work that is being wrought under our very eyes, and which we our-selves are helping to bring to pass. It is not as though the people of one naconcentration, it is only by gatherin together that we can accomplish the designs of our Father and God. Mook at us to-day. We do not number 250,-009 people in these mountains, and yet where is the people whose infigure compares with ours? Where is the people whose acts and whose movetion were gathered out, or the people of one locality were moved upon; but in every land, in every language, among every race, in every nationality throughout the entire earth, from pole to pole, from east to west, from north to pole, from east to west, from north to south, wherever the Elders of the Church have carried this Gospel in the last days, and the sound thereof has saluted the ears of the children of men, they have been moved upon in this ments attract the attention that do ours. But scatter us among the nations and what would our influence amount to? It would be unfell and lost. But God has gathered us to-gether, and He aims to make us a Priesthood in the earth, and we shall

be victorious over our enemiese and our children after us will inherit the land and the earth. We are laying the foundation of that kingdom that shall never be destroyed, and the Lord will at last reign undisturbed and unques-tioned for 1,000 years. That is the promise of our God to us, and we are engaged in that work to-day. [The above was delivered in Staith-field, Cache County, Saturday morning, August 23rd, 1884.]

Saint within the sound of my voice this morning who has been thus moved You no doubt have seen the line from Barton & Co., and observed in what positive terms they speak of the relia-bility of their firm, superior quality, not only of their clothing, nats, caps, etc., etc., but also of their furnishings upon but is a witness for God in this matter, and is a living evidence of what God has done and is doing, be-cause each one knows the character of the influence that has operated upon his or her mind to bring to pass this action which has resulted in the We feit a little surprised on receiv. gathering of themselves and the rest ing their circular at the seeming hold ness of their assertion, and decided to of the people together.

Now, my brethren and sisters, there examine their stock thoroughly, and ascertain the correctness of their state-ments. On doing so we were happily surprised to find everything as stated. They are certainly energetic and anhas been a purpose in this. God has not come himself from heaven and re-vealed himself with His Son Jesus Christ for naught. God has not sent angels from heaven for naught. God has not poured out this Spirit to which I have referred upon all the interprising young men, and spars no pains in proving it to the public, that they are establishing their business, not on misrepresentation or deceit, but on thoroughly honorable business prinhabitants of the earth who have been willing to receive the truth for naught. There is a purpose that is as old as thus bringing us together in this capa-city in these valleys, and that purpose and their reputation as neat fitters is has not been that we should breas the laws of God, or that we should become identified again with the world from whence we have been gathered. That extending far and wide; and as to their hats, it seems they display great tact in selecting them, for they are just what the public want. I happened to be in the other night just as they were opening a bill of the latest hats, and Certainly has not been the object that God has had in view in accomplishing they thought that probably they had sufficient for the fall trade, but in rese than half an hour they disposed so many that they had to order by express a fresh supply. We are happy to re-commend these to any desiring anyth-ing in their line, and feel assured that these great works; but it has been that we should become a distinct peothat we should become a distinct peo-ple, a peculiar people, a people whom He could use according to His mind and will, and through whom He could accomplish His mighty, His marvel-ous, and His wondrous purposes. That is the object He has had in view in they will fit you out as reasonable a bringing us together-to separate us any house in town. from Babylon. It is for that purpose NOTIOE.

that the Spirit has rested upon the people, under the influence of which they have gathered out to these valleys, so admirably adapted as a home for the Latter-day Saints, so se-cluded from the rest of the world that hey have been reserved until this late day for us as a people to inhabit. If God had designed otherwise He would have let us remain scattered among the nations of the earth: He would never have gathered us out; we would never have had that spirit resting so power-fully, and, as I have said, so irresisti-bly upon us; we would have remained in the lands where the Granal found as ber 4th, 1884, at 2 p. m., for the election of Officers and Directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other blisi in the lands where the Gospel found us and our fathers; we would still be ness as may be brought before the meeting. and our fathers; we would still be connected with the people from which we have been gathered. But this was not the design. Plainly written, as plainly written as the sunlight that we behold, has been the design of our God in connection with the eathering of this people—that we might be a dis-tinct people a people separate from every other people on the face of the earth—a God-chosen people, bearing His name, having within us the Holy Ghost that He has poured out to make us His people—distinct from every other people and nation—composed of people of every nationality, yet blend-ed together by the power of the Holy

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