

AN ATROCIOUS STATEMENT.

IN WHICH THERE IS NOT A SHADOW OF TRUTH.

It is the fortune of the Latter-day Saints, to be, like the disciples of the Savior, in ancient times, everywhere evoked of. The gross, palpable and detestable falsehoods perpetrated in relation to them and spread abroad as truth would fill volumes sufficient to constitute a library of mammoth proportions. Perhaps the St. Joseph, Mo., Herald has capped the climax in this line, as will be readily conceded by those who pursue the following continually and venomously false, gross and absurd statements from its pages, which could only proceed from a person whose whole nature is cast in the vilest and lowest mould.

"Mormonism flows into many striking situations. The canons of the Mormon church are feeble ordinances, holding by the mere causality any religious element and shifting the sand of apostasy under the feet of passion drift, often into the vilest and most libidinous excess. Opposite the Mormon temple, in Salt Lake City, is a family grocery store, the keeper of which is married to her own father and has two children by him.

There is no concealment of this shameful fact, the women simply declaring that he had made her mother a good husband and, she thought, might make her one. This is about the average polygamous status. It is, at least, little below the 'Mormon' level, for else the libidinous wretch, who clothes himself boastfully in this revolting larceny, could not drive a thriving trade and prosper in every worldly sense. The female immigrant convert, who comes in flocks are prudent with this incredible grossness, and nearly all would marry their fathers and build their homes in the lowest depths of human depravity."

We are most inclined to apologize for inserting this unpalatable malicious scandal, in which there is not even a syllable of truth, on which to base it. The only member of the Church that we know of keeping a grocery store opposite the Theatre is a moral and respectable citizen, and any person guilty of the crimes named by the Herald could only retain a standing in the body-religious a sufficient length of time for the action of excommunication to be perfected. The statements and insinuations of the Herald regarding the practices of the 'Mormons' are not only foreign, but totally opposed to the institutions of their religion, as in every form of crime. Any person who will take the trouble to ascertain, can get the information from undisputed statistics that in Salt Lake City the non-'Mormon' one-fifth of the population produces four-fifths of the criminals, leaving but one-fifth for the 'Mormon' four-fifths of the people.

Those who wilfully accuse the 'Mormon' people of being a community among whom wickedness flourishes, are lovers of the truth, than that are good." The latter-day Saints are known to be as honest, upright and pure as people as can be found on the globe. Even those who, in the bitterness of their hearts, hate and revile them, have named on the subject are forced to admit the general honesty, truthfulness and sobriety of the community.

Stephens and His Singing Classes.—The freight trains on the Utah & Northern have been so irregular the last two weeks that Brother Stephens has been unable to reach home from Logan in time to teach his first class on Tuesday, and they have been compelled to return home without a school, to their and their teacher's sincere regret. Owing to this and the fact that he has himself not equal to the constant travel and work he will discontinue his Logan classes after this week. The Logans (who thoroughly appreciate their friend and teacher's labors) are sorry, as they are anxious to continue their studies in the art divine, in which they were making rapid progress, and he is trying to find another teacher for them. He still has two large classes in Ogden, one in Farmer's Ward and three in Salt Lake City. The latter will now have a two week's rest, excepting that the first class will meet Sunday afternoon at 4 p.m., to practice pieces for the Sunday School Union meeting, when they are to furnish the music in connection with the Farmer's Ward class. After this they will resume their work with fresh vigor, and shortly give an examination in entertainment, showing the progress made since last Thanksgiving day. Then will come a repetition of the grand national song concert in the Theatre by all the classes. After that they will settle down for the winter to their regular work of learning to read and write music.

A Visit to the Theatre.—A party of Sir Knights of Raper Commandery No. 1, of Indianapolis, with their ladies, visited the Salt Lake Theatre yesterday afternoon. They traversed the whole building, from stage to 'giggling lift,' and finally took in a view of the city and valley from the roof of the Theatre. They were at Lyons as the picnic party. All expressed the utmost interest and admiration on being informed that nearly everything entering into the construction of the auditorium had been brought in early days across the plains from Omaha with ox-teams. They finally flashed their visit with a little gallery practice in the improvised gallery attached to the paint room.

During the day Mr. Daniel Shy, the proprietor of the Academy of Music, Chicago, also visited the Theatre, and sentimentally remarked that at the time of its original construction it was way ahead of the times, and that now, since the recent alterations, it was fully equal to all practical features of the very best arranged theatres in the land. He also said that the Salt Lake Theatre had received a new 'boom' among theatre men all over the country, and that the extensive reputation which the house had enjoyed during so many years in the past would be repeated for years to come.

THE TWIN PEAKS.

THREE GENTLEMEN MAKE THE ASCENT TO THE SUMMIT.

On Wednesday, Dr. J. R. Park, Prof. Joseph T. Kingsbury and Mr. Oron Howard, made the ascent to the Twin Peaks in the Wasatch range. The trio started from the base at 8 o'clock in the morning and climbed the canyon known as Little Willow, in the vicinity of Little Cottonwood. They made a detour in search of the most feasible route, and unfortunately lost their way, getting into a fearfully rugged locality, covered with rough and precipitous rocks, and were consequently compelled to do some fierce and desperate scrambling. This incident occasioned some delay. The travelers kept determinedly at work, however, being resolved to reach the summit or in the language of the modern novelist, "perish in the attempt." Observations were taken every hour, the party being eight hours in reaching the top of the peaks. The party had a couple of Aneroid barometers along, and according to that instrument the south-east corner of the Temple Block was ascertained to be 4,212 feet above sea level, and the summit of the more elevated of the peaks 11,050 feet. At 1:30 o'clock the temperature was 70 deg. Fahr.

The three gentlemen made the descent safely and arrived at the base of the range at 7 o'clock p.m., in good shape, but considerably fatigued.

The whole formation of the mountain is simply a mass of brown quartzite, with here and there occasional stratifications of slate. The summits of the peaks are entirely devoid of vegetation, but there are growths of fern a short distance below, where there are also large bodies of snow. The best route for the ascent is up the Little Willow Canyon, keeping to the right after the head of the canyon is reached.

Daly's Company.—Another good house looked and laughed at 7:30 last night. It is the superb setting that makes the place popular. In the hands of a common company it would be of brief existence. But Daly's artists bring out every point of interest, and every character is so thoroughly worked up in its peculiar and distinctive eccentricity that it is bound to succeed and please all beholders. We do not think it fair to particularize without commending every one who took a part in the play. They are all excellent and display talent that is as fresh as it is finished and attractive. To-night "The Passing Regiment" with splendid scenery and appointments will bring out the full strength of the company at the Opera House, with the aid of two troops and music from Camp Douglas, it cannot fail to draw largely.

A Bevy of Tramps.—This morning the eight tramps who were found yesterday near the banks of the Pacific Jordan, and marched to the city jail, were ranged in a row before Justice Spire, on a charge of trespass, having been discovered in the field of an honest yeoman. They could not very well be charged with vagrancy, because when taken under the wing of the police their occupation showed a "yielding means of support," as some were engaged peeling potatoes, others peeling onions, and another getting meat in condition for cooking. The tramps ranged in age from seventeen to twenty-four years, and presented a study for the expert physiognomist not often afforded. A few had an appearance of intelligence, while the fishy eyes and beetle brows predominated. Each was fined in the sum of \$2.50, which will be paid in labor for the corporation.

Another Washout.—Washouts seem to be the order, or rather the disorder of the day, in the mountainous regions of eastern Utah. The Denver and Rio Grande Railway Company are not the only sufferers, it seems. Information has reached us of a flood resulting from a cloudburst in the Canyon, a branch of Soldier's Fork, which is itself a tributary of Spanish Fork Canyon. It occurred at the head of the canyon, just above Jones & Company's lumber mill, which was swept away, together with a number of huts belonging to the loggers and their families. The people at the mill, of whom there were perhaps a score, including several women and children, heard the approach of the angry waters, and had just time to leave the canyon and climb to the adjacent hillsides before the raging torrent burst upon the some they had deserted. No accidents occurred to any of them, but considerable damage was inflicted by the misplacing of machinery and the carrying away of lumber piled in the vicinity, awaiting transportation to the railroad at the mouth of the Canyon. Mr. A. O. Smoot, Jr., of Provo, our informant, and Bp. O. F. Waitney, of this city, were spending a few days at these same mills, a short time previous to the event recorded. They feel themselves fortunate in having returned in time. The loss of Messrs. Jones & Co., of Provo, is considerable.

Too Much Stimulant.—Yesterday William Clark, from the country, whose brain was fired with bad whiskey, was riding furiously about town on a wild horse. He collided with a hack, breaking the axle and doing other damage. The police took charge of him.

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