

THE POWER OF PREJUDICE.

What Its Narrow-Minded Agents Are Doing for the State Of Utah and Its Honorable Citizens—Character of the Men and Women They Assail and the Work They Have Accomplished in These Valleys—A Just Tribute To the Pioneers.

BY JOHN P. MEAKIN.

"Who misses or who wins the prize:
Go lose or conquer as you can;
But if you fail, or if you rise,
Be each, pray God, a gentleman."

THROUGH prejudice and envy the reputation of Utah is being ruined. Its people are being wronged beyond measure because a few men are disgruntled, through not being able to gain every material ambition desired, and because a man has been disestablished from his church. Through these happenings

rather than for selfish gain. Investigate if you are interested, then decide with honor bright, for yourselves, Joseph F. Smith is the one man who struck a decisive blow for the separation of the Church from the State. He said to the politicians "Get thee behind me. We are not in politics."

He should have praised for his manliness for setting this long mooted question, but is like many others who deserve credit, who do not get it, but are cannonaded, called ugly names by the very men who sought for that which they now proclaim a crime. The accusations which have been hurled at

canals, planting trees, building houses, schoolhouses and churches. They are making of a wilderness a flower garden. What are you doing?
Good John Henry Smith seldom sits by the fireside of home, sweet home, he is journeying and toiling continually for the welfare of humanity, bettering the conditions physically and intellectually. While the croakers sit and croak, the "Mormons" are toiling on and on, believing:

"Tis not so much what now we are as what we may become. God reckons on the growth of man, eternity gives room."

Every advancement is at the cost of infinite struggle. There is a vast difference in the plans of the various churches and societies and while I have a profound respect for all, I have the right to express my appreciation of a good point wherever I find it.

The principal work of the ordinary church is spiritual, up in the clouds, with, seemingly, but little thought of the conditions of the people here on earth. It is one continuous donating proposition, from course, from commercialism, but the rich man, a commercialist, contributes some of his pile, irrespective of how he got it, to the building of a church. When half finished more money is solicited to complete it and after all there is but little room for the rags amongst the velvet and a poor wayfarer feels, when visiting about as much out of place as would a Mozart in a chemical laboratory.

A poor fellow waiting at the door of one of the stylish eastern churches asked, whose church is this? he was answered, "Christ's church." The stranger then said: Is He in? Of course he was then shown to a seat. The various churches have charitable clubs, etc., attached to the main body.

The Salvation Army is a good institution. It feeds thousands of indigents over and over again. I agree with the sentiment that "He who stoops above the fallen stands erect," but why not encourage an institution that keeps a fellowman from falling.
The "Mormon" Church, as I understand it, stands for both temporal and spiritual affairs. The Apostles are on the go year after year, colonizing, blazing the forest and performing the great, eat of all charities—helping others to help themselves, and in my way of thinking, the best way to show your love of God is by helping your fellow man.

"The parish priest of Austerly, Climbed up in a high church steeple, To be near God, so that he might hand His word down to the people. And in sermon script he daily wrote What he thought was sent from heaven, And he dropped it down on the people's heads."

Two times one day in seven, In his age, God said, "Come down and die, And he cried from out the steeple, "Where art thou, Lord?" and the Lord replied, "Down here amongst the people."

NEED HAVE NO FEAR.

"Uncle Sam" need have no fear of a people who are brave and industrious, who cultivate the divine art of music, who sing and teach their children to sing, who are happy and contented in their mountain homes. Uncle Sam need not be afraid of a Church that has the broadest kind of charity and takes care of its poor. A state is not a menace that is this? he was answered, "Christ's church." The stranger then said: Is He in? Of course he was then shown to a seat. The various churches have charitable clubs, etc., attached to the main body.

or states can be a menace whose people are chaste and virtuous, who love children and welcome them into the world with songs of joy. The country is safe where women prefer the dashing boy and the pretty girl for their pets rather than a bull canine or a Maltese felle.

Uncle Sam need have no fear of a state whose public school system ranks among the best in the United States; that possesses school buildings which for general excellence are not outclassed in the whole Union of states, where there stands an investment of \$100 for every child of school age. The people of Utah have their eyes on the stars, but they keep pegging away on earth. During the war a personal friend said to Mr. Lincoln: "Mr. President, do you really expect to end this war during your administration?" "Can't say, sir," said Mr. Lincoln. "But, Mr. Lincoln, what do you really mean to do?" "Peg away, sir; peg away; keep pegging away."

WILL KEEP PEGGING AWAY.
The "Mormons" it strikes me, will keep pegging away. Through all the ages in the realms of art, science, inventions, discoveries and progress, there have always been the knockers, such men as Mr. Dubois and his group of kickers. All good springs from eternal combat. The "Mormon" people will never be a menace to good government under the Stars and Stripes of Old Glory.

They are not dumb driven cattle and the men who continually insult them by calling them such are not very apt to get their votes. When you abuse the leaders you abuse the people. If the selection of a president of these United States depended upon the citizens of Utah, their judgment would not be very bad. Of course they wouldn't vote for Mr. Dubois. Oh, no! They would select a man without prejudice, Men like Theodore Roosevelt, who be-

lieve in a square deal for everybody. "My doctrine is to lay aside Contention and be satisfied; Just do your best and praise or blame That follows, that counts just the same."

"I've always noticed great success, Is mixed with trouble more or less, And it's the man who does his best That gets more kicks than all the rest." So it is with the "Mormons." JOHN P. MEAKIN.



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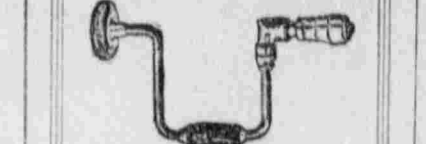
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these men are marching under the banner of envy and malice. The mighty power of the press is used and the fires of hate and prejudice are fanned into a bigger flame than ever before. Utah's peace, all must be sacrificed upon the altar of revenge; and men whose records are as bright as the sun; men, whose lives and characters are as far above those of their accusers, as are the stars above the duck's tracks in the mud, must be assailed and vilified. Prejudice robs us of life's sweetest perfumes. We see no flowers in the gardens of others. The mind becomes narrowed and cramped where slimy serpents cling and coil. Prejudice is a prison cell with walls both dense and cold. No ray of Christian sunlight penetrates the gloom. The mind is in total darkness when caged in the cell of prejudice. Thinkers, who think will have none of the stuff which emanates from a darkened soul which has been destroyed by prejudicial poison. Prejudice causes a stagnant pool, instead of a babbling brook which sings at his merry song and journeys on through hill and dale, cheering as it goes, making the meadows green and turning the wheels of industry.

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Men who should be friends, not content with the prejudices and clamor now going on against the "Mormon" Church, must attack individual members of that Church. Joseph F. Smith, always of Utah, a pioneer, a lover of his people, their leader, has been brutally assailed and not one word from any minister or barely from any one, outside of his own people, has been spoken in his defense. Joseph F. Smith has been heralded throughout the land as the personification of all that is selfish and mean. People, of course, will "gild it down" and chatter it to others when they meet on life's highway. The student in the world's great school of thought, if graduated from out of the mists and fogs of envy and prejudice will see in the life of Joseph F. Smith a lesson worthy of emulation. He or she will learn the lesson of toll, of ceaseless energy, of faithfulness to public trust, whether of a private or public nature. He is the chosen leader of the 40,000 people, who have reposed confidence in him, and his record shows that the confidence was not misplaced. He is a kindly Christian gentleman. His book of life is open, no turned down pages. I will answer, "Yes." The polygamy question is being righted in a humane way just as Christ would have it righted were He on earth to give the word—man and God. If the hunters of man's hills would only turn their batteries for just a little while, on the mountains of wickedness throughout the United States, and then if they turn to continuing the work of crowning the ancient polygamists spoken of so kindly in the book of Law—"The Bible, they would be better off. The question in Utah will soon be a thing of the past and Utah's sea will be as tranquil and calm as a summer's morning. Joseph F. Smith holds positions of trust and leadership; because of his ability and integrity and for the advancement of industries which would have never been set afoot but for him,