

is here, and you can find it nowhere else. I had the privilege of telling the people in those old countries that the sanctuary of the Lord was not with them, but in order to get the blessings necessary to qualify them to enter into the presence of God they would have to go to that place where the people of God are abiding, where they shall be strengthened and become even a great and mighty nation; and I thank God that there is a people on the earth that can no longer be ignored by the great and mighty of the earth, for they have attained a standing and a position that must be respected. They may ignore this people if they think they can afford to do it, and we can afford to wait and see the purposes of the Almighty roll forth on the earth better than any other people can, because we are on the safe side; we have more time to wait. If the wicked knew when it is well with them they would hasten to make their peace with the Almighty, for His judgments are abroad upon the earth and who can stay His hand? They are upon the wicked, and they know and feel it.

The great mass of mankind are ready to ridicule the people of God, they are ready to ridicule His servants because they stand forth and declare that an angel of the Almighty has come to restore the gospel in its fullness, and that Joseph Smith was called of God to be His Prophet; all this they say is nonsense, and they reject it without inquiring into the reason why they reject it. If they can afford to do this we can afford to live our holy religion and bear their contumely and reproaches better than they can afford to give them. Such abuse hardly ruffles my feelings, if they will only keep their hands off; and if there is any danger of violence of that sort we shall be apprised of it; there is not much danger in them, that is, unless they can take you by surprise. If the Latter-day Saint is on his guard, panoplied with the armor of righteousness, he may walk through the earth without being molested, because the Spirit of the Almighty will show him where the danger lies, and he can ward it off; and wisdom will be given him to absent himself from those places where danger is and turn away in another direction. Wisdom will be given him also what to say and what to do under every circumstance. The great evil that besets the path of the Saints is when they depart from the principles of eternal truth and rectitude, and betray their trust, for this they place themselves in the power of the enemy; and this they do when they are asleep, not when they are wide awake, and they are lead little by little until they make shipwreck of their faith and go headlong to the devil, which they would not do while walking in the ways of righteousness. Have I felt that I have been in deadly peril? Yes, many times, if the enemy could have had his way. Sometimes I have felt like buckling on pistols, and at other times I would feel perfectly safe without them. In my travels no man has had the temerity to come up to my face and insult me, but I have heard the grinding of their teeth, I have heard what they would say to me, addressed to somebody else.

As I have already said, I cannot express to you the feelings of joy and gladness which pervade my whole soul upon my return home, and to meet with so friendly a people; you cannot imagine what big feelings it gives me to have the privilege of meeting with the Saints in this and in other countries. Wherever I meet the Saints I feel that I always have known and been with them. Why is this? Because they have partaken of the same Spirit that I possess, and it runs from soul to soul like oil, or like water or electricity, pervading each and every Saint wherever I have met them in any country. It is good when you are far distant from Zion to meet a people who will receive you with such a spirit and feeling. It is different now to what it has been with some of the Elders who have gone forth to preach the gospel in the early days of the Church, when they found none to receive them possessed of a kindred spirit. After they had made known the message of heaven and found a people willing and glad to receive it, they soon found friends, and they found the same friends I have found, namely, an honest-hearted people in ignorance with regard to the principles of life and salvation; they have been made acquainted with those principles, and there are many others who have not yet been made acquainted with them, although the gospel has reached the ears of many of the inhabitants of the earth, and we have established ourselves in the earth as Latter-day Saints—the sons of God—in other words the Almighty has established His church and

kingdom on the earth with the authority thereof, and it is no longer to be ignored by the people of the world; it is a fixed fact.

I do not know what they will do next, but I expect they will be found trying to do their utmost against it. I do not look for anything else. The Latter-day-Saints expect to do a great work when they seek to dig down the hill of error which has accumulated for six thousand years on the earth; this they expect to do with the gospel and by the blessings of God and His power assisting them, and so continue their labor until the earth is redeemed and brought back again to its pristine glory and perfection, and the kingdom of God rules and predominates all over its face, and the power of the wicked be essentially broken, and law and good order prevail everywhere and men learn war no more. These may appear high-sounding words, and they may appear absurd to the millions of the earth; it does not matter to me how absurd they look, the facts in the case remain the same; all these things will be fulfilled in the own due time of the Lord; this work has already commenced and is now transpiring before the face and eyes of all men. It is not done in a corner, but before the whole world in the tops of the mountains; our light is not hid under a bushel, but it is set upon a hill, that all the world may see it. The truth of the Almighty is being made known in these last days, and it is a mighty testimony to the people, and they will be sorry if they do not take heed to it. There cannot be a greater testimony to the world than the living existence of this people in the tops of the Rocky mountains, and all people can see it.

I rejoice in this work; let it roll forth and my heart is glad. I feel proud to be associated with such a people; I feel proud that such a people exist; I feel glad and rejoice exceedingly in my soul, that I have lived in this day and age of the world, and have the privilege of bearing this testimony to the nations, and of becoming a citizen of the kingdom of God, of aiding to lay a foundation to build upon for time as well as for eternity, that we may come forth in the great hereafter and become associated with the Gods of eternity. What do the world know about all this? simply nothing.

I have been absent from home about eighteen months; during that time I have attended meetings in England among the different conferences; I have been to Scandinavia on a short visit, and have been engaged in the Office at Liverpool in the publishing department a portion of my time. I felt exceedingly to rejoice in my labors, and had pretty good health, for me, as a general thing; although I have felt as though I could have done more if my health had been better. I felt to regret that I could not do half as much as I wanted to do; this was the only feeling of regret which accompanied me on my return; I have not accomplished half as much as I would liked to have done. It seems a long way to travel, considerable time spent in coming and going, for so short a mission, but with me it is all right to go or to stay; so long as I am useful in the church and kingdom of God, it does not matter to me where my time is spent as long as I live.

The joy and gladness which I feel in meeting with my brethren again in this place is inexpressible. Some of them have told me that they intended to give an expression of their gladness at my return, and were disappointed at my entering the city sooner than they expected I would. I will take the will for the deed; the good feelings which prompted the wish to do that I think more of than any manifestation or demonstration that might have occurred. I know there exists in the bosoms of my brethren towards me a good and genial feeling that mingles with the feelings in my own breast. I realize that I have the faith and prayers of my brethren, and have realized their efficacy in many dangers both by sea and by land, while I have been traveling to preach the gospel, while I have been writing, while I have been afflicted in sickness, and while I have had difficulties to overcome. In all these circumstances I have felt buoyed up by that feeling which beats responsive in your hearts and my own. I have had the benefit of your prayers and appreciate them; they have been answered upon my head, and this is a living testimony to me, also, that your prayers are heard, and that you have learned how to approach God in an acceptable manner to find favor in His eyes, and have your prayers answered. My health is much better, the journey to Europe has done me good, and God has done it. This is His work, and we are His people.

We talk about having done this and that, but it is the Lord who has done it, and we are merely instruments in His hands of accomplishing His purposes in the earth. It is a great honor to be an instrument in the hands of God of establishing His kingdom, and of bringing forth His purposes in the last days. The Saints are based upon the eternal rock of truth, and they will stand when the refuge of lies is swept away; they are those who will be found wise in their generation, and with oil in their lamps, and they will be the ruling and governing class of mankind; they will possess the earth, and the kingdom under the whole heavens will be given unto them.

If we read the bible we find that God has placed in His church apostles, prophets, pastors, teachers, gifts and blessings for the edifying of the Saints and the work of the ministry, etc.; but the religious world in the 19th century say that these are all done away; they are satisfied to read about what the ancients enjoyed, and go hungry and naked themselves. When you go into an hotel for dinner you read the bill of fare, and actually partake of the good things therein noted. We should think a man either crazy or a fool who would read the bill of fare and exclaim against eating the savory food it describes. The bible cannot ordain a person with authority to stand forth and obey himself and administer the ordinances of the house of God to others. "No man taketh this honor upon himself but he that is called of God as was Aaron;" and how can a man be called of God as was Aaron without immediate revelation from Him? If Jesus Christ had to be baptized unto the baptism of repentance to fulfill all righteousness, who else should be exempt? He went down into the waters and was baptized, and the voice of God said. "This is my beloved son in whom I am well pleased, hear ye him." He said to Nicodemus,—"Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of heaven." This is recorded in the bible which the Christian world acknowledge to be their rule of faith. I exhort them to live to it. There is nothing said in the bible about sprinkling, and the word baptise means immersion, and the world may quibble about it as much as they please. It is through these principles and this administration from under the hands of the servants of God that we receive the Holy Ghost, which will lead into all truth, and to an increase of knowledge in the things of God; through this channel we learn to know God, whom to know is eternal life. That Spirit which lighteth every man that cometh into the world, causeth mankind to seek after the truth and to become anxious after their eternal welfare, and to know about their hereafter. You may travel in every country and you will find this feeling pervading mankind; for everybody except the infidel worships at some shrine, and the infidel says there is no God, and does not worship anything. The scripture says to know God is eternal life. How can we know Him and learn Him? This is an important question for Latter-day Saints as well as for others. How shall we learn to know the only wise and true God and Jesus whom He has sent, and know the relationship that exists between Him and His children, and the purpose He had in bringing us into this existence?

Let us keep this our second estate, for having kept our first estate we have been reserved to come upon this earth and obtain a tabernacle of flesh, pass through this mortality and have the privilege of accomplishing the object and the purpose of the Almighty in the organization of this earth. Let us be wise in our day, and secure unto ourselves those blessings that are for us. Let us be true and faithful, and full of that integrity which can look Heaven in the face without a blush, clinging to the truth, and never swerving from it for a single moment, and may God bless us and help us to do so, is my prayer, in the name of Jesus: Amen.

Our paper makers need have no fear of a falling off of the supply of rags. Jute, hitherto all but waste, has now become the staple manufacture of Dundee, Scotland; and in less than five years, the consumption has more than doubled, being now 60,000 bales as the year's average, while the yarn is daily increasing in demand, as substitute for cotton goods. If jute is suited for this, it cannot fail to yield good pulp to the paper makers also.

An omnibus drawn by a locomotive, instead of horses, is now running at Chantenay, in the south of France. It can be turned and stopped with ease.

## ABSTRACT

Of Meteorological Observations for the month of Nov. 1865, at G. S. L. City, Utah, by W. W. Phelps.

## MONTHLY MEAN:

Barometer out of repair.

Monthly Mean.		Thermometer Open Air.	
7 a. m.	2 p. m.	7 a. m.	2 p. m.
40°	53°	47°	57°

Monthly Mean.		Thermometer Dry Bulb.	
7 a. m.	2 p. m.	7 a. m.	2 p. m.
50°	60°	57°	67°

The highest and lowest ranges of the Thermometer, during the month, in the open air, were

Max. 71° Min. 29°

The amount of rain water that fell during the month measured .422—which is not quite an half inch. Considerable snow fell upon the mountains around the valley, giving a fair token that winter is near.

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1. Clear.
2. do
3. do
4. do
5. do
6. do
7. Mostly cloudy.
8. Hazy and cloudy; night clear.
9. Clear.
10. do
11. do
12. Hazy and clear.
13. Cloudy.
14. Cloudy and windy; rained at night.
15. Rainy and snowing on the mountains.
16. Cloudy and snowy.
17. Cloudy and dreary.
18. Cloudy and windy.
19. Hazy and clear.
20. Clear and warm.
21. A. m. clear; p. m. cloudy.
22. Clear.
23. A. m. cloudy; p. m. clear.
24. do do
25. Hazy and cloudy.
26. Clear.
27. do
28. Clear and hazy.
29. Cloudy and stormy.
30. Cloudy and windy.

**SURE REMEDY FOR A FELON.**—This very painful eruption, with all the "remedies" recommended, is seldom arrested until it has run a certain course, after causing great suffering for two or three days and nights. The following remedy is vouched for by the Buffalo Advocate as a certain thing from its own knowledge; "Take a pint of common soft soap and stir in air-slacked lime till it is the consistency of glazier's putty. Make a leather thimble, fill it with this composition, and insert the finger therein, and a cure is certain."

**THE CATTLE PLAGUE IN RUSSIA.**—On the 9th of October so much snow had fallen that all the winter roads are prepared for sledging; the cold is 10 degrees. All this is not satisfactory, as it has become necessary to house the cattle, and provender is not abundant; moreover a fearful scourge is devastating our country. The cattle plague is destroying horned cattle, by hundreds, sheep by thousands. The beast becomes depressed, hangs his head down, his eyes become dim, and within an hour all is over. No attempt is made to stop the plague; the superstitious people here look upon it as a judgment of God. Of the fine herds and flocks of Gorenki, Posselki, Stanitchno, and other large villages, not one-tenth remains.

**TO YOUTHFUL POETS.**—An "exchange paper" thus falls into a vein of wholesome advice to its correspondents: "Don't write poetry. If you cannot help it—if it sings in your head and will be heard, why, then there is no other way but to put it upon paper and send it to the printer. But try to help it if you can. There are only two or three poets alive at any one time. A great poet makes and marks an age; and poor poets, or those who think they are poets and are not, are as plenty as blackberries. Every hamlet has its poetaster. Oh! how much valuable white paper is spoiled by those who think they can write poetry. You may make correct verse, with faultless rhymes, and there is not a gleam of poetry in it. Poetry requires a peculiar faculty—the imagination; and you may have genius, science, learning, and the power of expression so as to write prose to rival Burke or Johnson, and, after all, may make yourself ridiculous by trying your hand at writing poetry. Write prose."

A CAT is not generally considered a very teachable animal. But there is one in a store in Concord, N. H., that has been taught to cut with its teeth the twine with which packages are tied, and performs its work with much dexterity.

A VESSEL which lately arrived at Liverpool is said to afford a remarkable instance of the value of steel as a material for shipbuilding. This vessel rode out the cyclone at Calcutta last year.—She was run into twenty times, and her plates twisted in every direction, but not one was cracked.