CHARLES W. PENROSE, EDITOR.

lieve them, because they have no way of knowing about us. If you were here and would see how we live, and understood the principles of our faith, you would be surprised and wonder why such faisenoods are ever circulated about any Christian people. I believe we are trying to do the best we can; and because we are evil spoken of, it does not affect the truth in the least. Truth is all pleased throughout the country about the "Mormons." Yet so it is, and ladies and genulemen of intelligence and education when traveling across the continent will ask to be shown a "Mormon," when they enter the boundaries of Utah, as though they expected to see an entirely new specimen of the genus homo. It was at one time extensively believed that Brigham Young opened all the letters written by the "Mormons' to friends abroad, so that nothing unfriendly to "Mormons' to friends abroad, so that nothing unfriendly to "Mormons' to friends abroad, so that nothing unfriendly to "Mormons' to friends abroad, so that nothing unfriendly to "Mormons' to friends abroad, so that nothing unfriendly to "Mormons' to friends abroad, so that nothing unfriendly to "Mormons' to friends abroad, so that nothing unfriendly to "Mormons' to friends abroad, so that nothing unfriendly to "Mormons' to friends abroad, so that nothing unfriendly to "Mormons' to friends abroad, so that nothing unfriendly to "Mormons' to friends abroad, so that nothing unfriendly to "Mormons' to friends abroad, so that nothing unfriendly to "Mormons' to friends abroad, so that nothing unfriendly to "Mormons' to friends abroad, so that nothing unfriendly to "Mormons' to friends abroad, so that nothing unfriendly to "Mormons' to friends abroad, so that nothing unfriendly to "Mormons are an interest that is with you a public audience, and she pletured to the should be subjected to the absolute and subject and unreation in Utah that they was proved. Our Savior was not affect the truth to those with the subject to the dibert arbib.

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to a public audience, and she pictured it as built in a hollow, with mountains all around it and high gates at every opening, at each of which a "Destroying Angel" was which a "Destroying Angel" was posted with a drawn sword, to cut down any woman who attempted to leave without permission. These old hobgoblin stories are dying out except in reminder a districts where good, plous parsons can impose them upon the unsophisticated, but reports just as silly and quite as destitute of foundation are sent abroad by the enemies of this work, to poison and prejudice the public mind and bar up the way of our missionaries who up the way of our missionaries who

Some of these ridiculous stories having been believed by people in Tennessee, where a couple of young missionaries from Utah are laboring, a very intelligent and respectable gentleman in that State wrote to an THE Cleveland Herald alludes to elderly lady of this city, whose address he had obtained, asking her to Idaho, calling attention to the give him correct information, to "spread of polygamy" in that Terri tory, and the remarks of this paper ou that subject, and says, "there is and the reply, the originals of both a growing feeling that the time is at being in our possession. We do hand when the law against poly not know whether we are at gamy must be enforced to the letliberty to use the gentleman's name or not, so suppress it for the present. but give the lady's signature, as well as her answer verbatim. Here is the letter of inquiry:

Mrs. Henderson: The Elders from Utah having

come in this neighborhood of late, I have listened to them with much interest, and their doctrines strike me very forcibly, but as so much those holding authority, and even thing, the enactment of statutes to sometimes their wives taken from them by the presiding officers; that when those who come to Utah have think there is a few taken from punish religious belief is another bay before and different thing, and we do not a stray. away from them as what we would in favor of reverting to the medice term 'free American citizens," and val methods of "Christian" barbar-that unity does not abound. These, ism. with many other reports, are circulated in this neighborhood as being true, and believed by many. As for myself, I do not believe impure water comes from a pure fountain; but as a source of satisfaction to myself and several others, I take the liberty of addressing a letter to one of the ed official, who thinks he is authorsaid abused women of Utah (a widow ized to veto the votes of the people of humble nature, as fold to me).

I hope you will pardon my inqui.
ries. I do it for the pure motive to know the truth and information of this under a reputed republican form importance. I hope in answer you of government: will tell me the plain truth as regard your treatment, the general desire and feelings of the so-called "Mormons." Are the people oppressed, or do they enjoy their freedom and liberty, or are they subject to any cruelties from your leaders? If you will please answer the plain truths in regard to these matters, I remain an interested friend to their doctrines.

Following is the reply: SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 17th, 1881.

Dear Sir: I have just received a letter addressed to me with your name sigued, dated Feb. 5th, with a request that I write you truthfully on one or two subjects, which I will do with pleasure the best I can. I was baptized into the Church by Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the year 1848, in the City of Glasgow, Scotland. I remained in Scot land until the year 1864, when I ly be regarded as an anomaly in our came with a company of Saints to form of government, where the Utah. When I first heard the gospel preached by the Elders of the Executive but the servant, aworn to urch, I was a member of the faithfully obey and execute the laws.

slaves. I have been associated with never be abridged, to deter any this people for many long years and cities magistrate from ever attempting the subversion of the governto exercise any undue authority over ment. But let us see how far these me. I have always used my own pleasure in attending to my own at

fairs. I have never seen any of that slavery you speak of. You speak of the men of the poorer class. The men of all classes attend to their own affairs, and inasmuch as men do right, and mas-much as men do right, and honor their high and holy calling as the servants of God, they are honored and respected by all true Latter-day Saints, no matter how poor they are. But if men are corrupt, and do things that are not consistent with the law of the gospel they can-not expect to have the approbation of good men and women. About the presiding officers taking men's vives away from them, that account people having their freedom taken away from them, how could such a thing be done? We have liberties here that few places could boast of. The ladies in Utah have the right to vote I always perform that duty cheerfully, and thank God for the privilege of being a free American citizen.

You speak of a want of union here mong our people. If there is not nion amongst the Latter-day inta, where will you find union?

Intat directing soldiery increased to a inspring proportions, when the Eactive by the displacement of the patriotically inclined by his tools have help places of the civil and military branches of the government, and in alliance with the monster corporations and plutocrate of the country, would be enabled to over-throw the saisting form of government and bid defiance to the people. This will show how necessary to the preservation of American liberty are State rights and local self-miles.

We have obeyed the gospel, and the fruits of the gospel are union, Joy and peace, with every other good thing. We believe God means what he says; and he has said that he would withhold no good thing from his said.

The bulk of the conservatives in the House of Commons will support they remain I hardly think any band of conspirators will ever have the would withhold no good thing from his said.

Miss Hattle I. Simms, leading

We are misrepresented as a people. All those things that you have named in your letter are stories that are got up by our enemies to try to retard the progress of truth, and many hones; people are led to believe them, because they have no lieve them, because they have no way of knowing about us. If you ware here and would see how we make the progress of truth, and the governed; and the ulterior object involved in their destruction, can only be the deprivation of the people of their rights as freemen and their reduction to the condition of a plabeian rabble.

The religious difficulty at Hull, Canada, was renewed on Sunday by a mob stoning Rev. Syvret's house, nearly ruining it.

Parell's alliance with the Communists has produced an unfavorable impression among the Catholic clergy in Ireland.

the field of active ministry, would are sent out to preach the gospel of the Son of God assisting in sending the gospel abroa to all nations.

## ENFORCEMENT OF LAW.

We wish to assure the Herald that we have not said anything against the lawful enforcement of any law of the land, and that what the Idaho Governor asked for was Feb. 5th, 1881. enactment of measures in violation of the plainest principles of law, be ing nothing less than penalties against citizens for their simple belief. The Legislature gave the fcol ish Executive a fitting rebuke, and prejudice exists, and many stories in every person and paper in the councirculation to the effect, that the try that has any respect for freedom poor women in Utah are very much of thought and faith should enoppressed, merely used as slaves and dorse, the action of the Assemdorse the action of the Assemservants; also the men of poorer bly. Enforcement of law is one the freedom of their country taken think there is a "growing feeling"

A "COMING" MAN. THE Washington Post thus pays its respects to the ambitious and inflatof Utah as well as the laws enacte.

"Governor Murray, of Utah, seem to be the coming man-coming a Having begun his crusade against polygamy by counting Delegate Cannon out of the next Congress, he has since been on to Mentor and given General Garfield instructions what to do about it. He is one of the most previous individuals now on the Mentor circuit—this man Murray, and as a recognition of his previousness, the President-elect should take the earliest opportunity to appoint his successor.

]For the DESERET N. ws.] EXECUTIVE SUSURPATIONS AND STATE RIGHTS.

ANOTHER VIEW OF POLITICAL QUESTIONS WHICH ARE AGI-TATING THE COUNTRY.

That the courts should possess no jurisdiction over the official usurpa tions of the Executive must certain

Church, I was a member of the Presbyterian Church, and very firm in that faith, believing I was right: indeed I might say I was a bigot in what I thought was religion, but when I heard an Elder of the Latter-day Saints set forth the truth of the gospel In all its beauty and simplicity, I soon began to see that I was wrong, and I saw by the influence of the spirit of truth that in order to be saved, I must obey and yield obedience to the ordinances of the gospel. I can say to-day I thank my Heavenly Father with all my heart for this great blessing.

You speak of the women of Utah being oppressed, and used merely as slaves. I have been associated with the people to bear arms should never be abridged, to deter any child magnetate from ever eithermat. forces are to be relied on In certain possible contingencies not at all difficult to forerast. Of late, attempts have been made by a large and very influential portion of a certain political party to deprive the States of the rights reserved to them by the Constitution, and concentrate the entire ruling forces of the government in the hands of the administration at Washington. Let such a state of things ever come to pass, and through the selfish and corrupt influences which could be wicked by the immense army of national officials made necessary by the change, the suffrage would become a sham, a hireling soldiery increased to awelinging proportions, when the Eximplying proportions, when the Eximplying proportions when the fither forces are to be relied on in ce

Now here is clearly shown the prime necessity for the preservation of the rights of the States unimpair-

plain of any wrong being done them, and which do not in any manner interfere with the happiness and welfare of outsiders, only in se far as the constitutional right of the manner interfere was no demonstration of any kind. jority to rule is recognized.

GENTILE.

BYTELEGRAPH PER WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH LINE.

A M E R I C A N.

The Wisner in Getham.

New York, 1.—Professor Edison has removed from Menlo Park to this city with his family and staff, with the exception of one assistant, and is now at 65 Fifth Avenue. His house, which is a four story double

Frederick Archer, 'recently from England has been elected to succeed Henry Eyre Browne, for four years, organist of Plymcuth Church, Brooklyn. Beecher effected this election in face strong opposition.

Preparations for the inauguration ceremonies are being pushed vigorously. State arches are being decorated with a profusion of flags. The orown building, was formerly known as the Bishop Mansion. It has been leased for a long term of years by the Edison Electric Light Company. The technical department of the business is now carried on here.

A New York Fog.

The fog last night was of exceptional density. The Alaska and Montana, of the Roosevelt ferry, came in collision, and the latter's cabin was stove in. Several persons were injured, a woman fainted and a scene of terror reigned on both boats for some time. The North River ferryboats are all delayed and make irregular trips. One of the River ferryboats are all delayed and make irregular trips. One of the Pavonia ferryboats crushed the fantail of the steamer Saratoga, trying to make her slip. A Courtland Street ferryboat went into Pier No. 19, trying to make a landing, and a Hoboken ferryboat steamed into the bay before it discovered it had gone

Who is Responsible. Rufus Hatch, in an interview on the recent panic said to a Times reporter. The general charge that national banks are responsible has a shadow of truth, but the really responsible parties are the Secretary of the Treasury and Congress. The responsibility of the banks rises and falls in their loans on securities with fictitious values. Officers of the banks have been contributing to the panic by their loans on printed tissue paper, which pretends to represent property that is actually mortgaged three or four times more than its cost or what it can be duplicated for to-day.

FOREIGN.

ENGLAND'S TROUBLES. The Boer Victory.

LONDON, 1.-A dispatch not due to the failure of ammuninot due to the failure of ammunition. Gen. Colley over-estimated the strength of his position and left its most vital point, which the Boers attacked in force; but poorly defended. A detachment squadron will immediately land a brigade of seamen and marines with guns at Durban, and they will be sent to the front. Orders have been sent to Jamaica for the dispatch of a ship to Bermuda, to order the troopship Orontes, due there on the 5th inst., to proceed to the Cape with the 102nd Regiment, and proceed to Durban, where she will arrive on the 22nd inst. These reinforcenents number 2,000.

The Irish Difficulty. Dublin.—Hearne,land agent to the brother of the late Lord Mount-Morris has been fired at by two men near his residence at Ballenrobe, and mortally wounded. He received six pistol shots.

The secretaries of the Land Lea the introduction of the land bill as the league may decide upon.

Two members of the land league are arrested at Trales in connection with the raid of the armed band in Kerry.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS. General Roberts succeeds Gen

Cavalry and infantry left on Mo lay for the Caps. Forster and Earl Granville will examine cases in which the protection bill will be.

Gen. Wood, before leaving Pieterritz, was sworn in as governor of Counse at the Philadelphia mint for February was 4,278,600 pieces, valued at \$6,337,000.

At 2 o'clock this morning, it was snowing furiously in New York and rapidly growing colder.

Governor Foster honestly does not know whether or not he goes into the Cabinet. He stands ready. Hughes, the pedestrian, retired from the moe in New York at 10 o'clock last night, with a score of 1155.

Miss Hattie I, Simms, leading soprano of the Plymouth Church, refuses to renew her engagement to

Messages have been sent to Par-nell and Dillon and other absentees, arging them to return to oppose the Archbishop Caseau is dead. He was best known by his devoted efforts toward the relief of Irish emigrants from the famine in 1847.

The interest of the Robinson es-tate, Detroit, in the Robinson con-solidated mine, near Leadville, Col., has been sold for one million dollars. A correspondent estimates 2,000 Boers took part in the Spitzkop engagement. Three companies of the 58th regiment are almost annihilat-

The branch land league of Kantock passed a resolution declaring Parnell justified in seeking the as-sistance of any party regardless of

The French Government asks 2,-500,000 francs to suppress piracy in Tonquin, where communication with the interior of China continues obstructed.

The House, in the evening session last night, had resolutions of regret on the death of Fernando Wood and speeches by his late colleagues. It George Stephens, president of the Canada Railway syndicate, sailed for London to obtain ten million dollars on bonds with which to pro-

secute the work. Five hundred armed men visited

several houses in Kerry and com-pelled farmers to swear they will pay only Griffith's valuation, and they stole 40 guns and some money.

James Smith, a negro sailor, who killed a Japanese seaman in Baxter Street, N. Y., yesterday, was arrested in Jersey City, last night, while endeavoring to ship on a Southern bound steamer.

d with a r fusion of flags. The headquarters of the 'inauguration committee are decorated tastefully.

The Protestant Episcopal Sunday Schools of Brooklyn, last night, pre-sented Bishop Paddock, of Washing-ton Territory, with books and outfit for a boys' and girl's Sunday School, and two gentlemen presented him with cash to erect a mission chapel, to be called St. Peter's.

Ogden "Herald" Prospectus.-The prospectus of the Ogden Her ald has reached us. The new journal will appear early in April, and is to be run by a company formed of the IF YOU MUST HAVE leading citizens of Ogden City and Weber County. The Herald will issue as a daily and semi-weekly. and takes as its motto, "Good will to all-Enmity to none." It will support all measures calculated to slevate the moral tone of society to the highest standard of excellence. No pains will be spared to make it the "Representative and Friend of the People," and a first-class family newspaper. A complete job office will run in connection with the institution, Subscriptions to the Daily will be \$8 per annum; to the Semi, \$3.50. Mr. W. Van Dyke, one of the new company, is now in this city, and called on us to-day.

Passed Away. - Elsewhere will e found a notice of the death, at Manti, of Sister Magdalene H. Hougaard, whom some of our Scandinavian Elders, who have been on missions to Denmark, will no doubt remember for various act of kindness. She lived in the Island of Falsta. and before foining the Church her Mount Prospect says: The Boers carried the British position on Spitz-kop by a rush. The correspondent was taken prisoner, but was afterwards released. He says the body of Gen. Colley is on the hill. It is quite clear the loss of the hill was noted for many deeds of charity. was noted for many deeds of charity and beneficence. She now sleens the sleep of the righteous, and will assuredly rise with the first in the first resurrection.

Very Ill.-We regret to learn of the severe and protracted illness of Co. was formed this 17th day of February, our respected friend and brother, 1881, and will continue the him President Joseph Young, sen., who has been confined to his house for a to proceed to the Cape with the 199th Regiment. The troopship Euphrates has been ordered to embark the 85th Regiment at Bombay in a week, thence proceed to Colombo and embark six companies of the 199th Regiment at Bombay in a week, thence proceed to Colombo and embark six companies of the 199th Regiment at Bombay in a week, thence proceed to Colombo and embark six companies of the 199th Regiment at Bombay in a week, thence proceed to Colombo and embark six companies of the 199th Regiment. The troopship European and the 199th Regiment. The troopship European and infirmity are beginning to tell on his constitution. His many friends will be pleased to learn, however, that he is somewhat better now, and evinces a strong desire to We earnestly hope this desire will be gratified, and that he has many good years yet before him on the earth.

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Emigration.-It is expected that Prices Never Before the first company of Saints this son will leave Liverpool on the gue have received a communication from Parnell ordering the league to be ready to hold representative meetings on such Sunday following

the 15th inst.

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At Manti, Sanpete County, Utab, February 19th, 1981, MAGDALENE HANSEN HOUG-AAHD: been January 7th, 1814, on the Island rear. Died as she had Bred, a true and fa ul Laiter day Paint, in full hope and as auge of a glor

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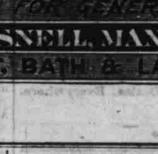
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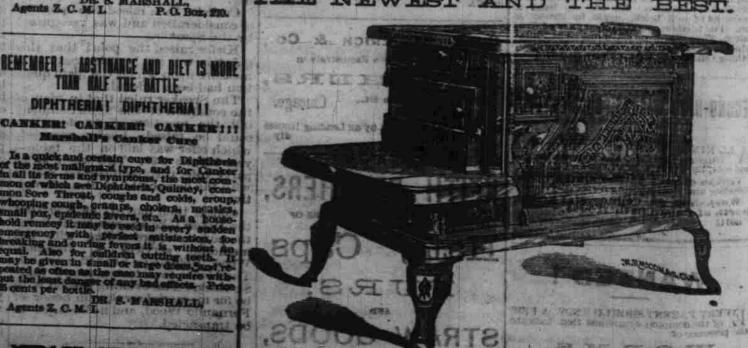
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