

## REMARKS

By President Brigham Young, Bowery, Sunday, October, 4, 1857.

REPORTED BY J. V. LONG.

I will say a few words, before the congregation is dismissed.

As but few can be in our offices to learn the news that is brought in, I will say that on the 2nd, Friday last, a messenger arrived with intelligence that the soldiers were going up Ham's Fork.—Previous to that I had sent by Lt. Gen'l Wells a copy of the proclamation proclaiming martial law and ordering the troops not to come here. They treated it as I presumed they would. They say that they are sent by the President, are subject to superior officers and intend to abide their instructions, and I expect that they will until some other power checks their progress.

The brethren are well and the Spirit of peace and contentment rests upon them. They are doing their duties, living to and serving their God.

Keep the 'Mormon' creed, and especially just now in regard to the remarks made by br. Spencer. Some may think they will have to deviate in attending to digging their neighbors' potatoes, but this is now the very business for the brethren to do; this is now their duty, and what the brethren ought to do.

I do not know that anybody's heart burns, except it is to get a little nearer to our enemies and for the troops to undertake to come in here. Well, we are in the hands of the Lord our God, and he will overrule things just as he pleases.—Many want to know what the result will be, and they want the Lord to give them revelation. Get revelation if you can. I have told you before, and I can tell you now, that the result will be that 'Mormonism' will be higher and greater in power and influence than ever it was before. Our enemies will sink while we will increase in power and strength and enjoy an influence that we never enjoyed before, and the Lord will have his own way in bringing about these things. I know that all will be made right, and an All Wise, Overruling Providence will bring us off victorious. He has led us to victory and peace and has given us power and influence that we can sustain ourselves, and I believe that it is the calculation of all to sustain themselves against all that can come to annoy, destroy, desolate and drive the Saints of God. God will fight our battles, and he will do it just as he pleases.

You know that it is one peculiarity of our faith and religion never to ask the Lord to do a thing without being willing to help him all that we are able, and then the Lord will do the rest.

The main object I had in coming to meeting this morning was to let you know that my health is better. Last Sabbath I did not think it prudent to come out, but I am at my post, and God is at the helm.

Let us walk in the precepts of our Savior, those that he has marked out for us, and God will bless us, and I bless you, my brethren and sisters, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. I mean to save my brethren and sisters, God being my helper.

God bless you:—Amen.

For the Deseret News.

### The Ladies of Utah, to the Ladies of the United States Camp in a crusade against the 'Mormons'.

BY MISS E. R. SNOW.

Why are you in these mountains,  
Expos'd to frosts and snows,  
Far from your sheltering houses—  
From comfort and repose?

Has cruel persecution,  
With unrelenting hand,  
Thrust you from home and kindred  
And from your native land?

Have you been mob'd and plunder'd  
Till you are penniless,  
And then in destitution  
Driven to the wilderness?

No, no; you've join'd a crusade  
Against the peace of those  
Driv'n to these distant valleys  
By cruel, murderous foes.

Amid the dreary desert,  
Where hideous red men roam—  
Where beasts of prey were howling,  
We've made ourselves a home.

We never had intruded  
As you would now intrude;  
We've never sought to injure—  
We've sought for others' good.

We came through sore compulsion,  
And not from wicked choice;  
We had, in all our sorrow,  
Heaven's sweet consoling voice.

Can woman's heart be callous  
And made of flint or steel?  
Perhaps you'll learn to pity,  
When you are made to feel.

Should sickness prey upon you  
And children cry for bread,  
With bitter self-reproaches  
You'll rue the path you tread.

We're form'd of blood and sinews  
And flesh, as well as you;  
And we have hearts compos'd of  
As many fibres too.

We love with purer feelings  
Our husbands, children, friends;

We've learnt to prize the blessings  
Which God in mercy sends.

We have the ancient order  
To us by prophets given,  
And here we have the pattern  
As things exist in heav'n.

We're well prepar'd to teach you,  
And that you may discern;  
We simply here remind you,  
You've just commenc'd to learn.

We'd fain from human suffer'ing  
Each barbed arrow draw;  
But yet self-preservation  
Is God's and nature's law.

The Scriptures are fulfilling—  
The spoiler's being spoil'd;  
All satan's foul devices  
'Gainst Zion will be foil'd.  
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### 'Mormonism' in the Mountains.

What is it? It is the same principles of the everlasting gospel of the Son of God, that it ever has been. It is more good continually, and no evil, which is the reason why the world is arraying itself against us. In Missouri, during and at the close of the horrid persecutions in that State, both citizens and officers informed the Saints that they were peaceful, industrious and worthy, and that they would like to have them stay in their midst, if they would only deny that Joseph was a Prophet and deny the principle of direct revelation from the Almighty. Since the assassination of Joseph, our very enemies, that class of them who have the least particle of truth and candor about them, readily admit that they have never known a good 'Mormon' who was not also a good man, hence it is not any evil conduct of ours that is so objectionable, for were that the case the world would strike hands with us and hurrah for the things of this world, as they do with all others. But now they cry, 'only let polygamy alone, quit the gathering of Israel, desert your Prophets and Apostles and do as we do, and all will at once be peace between us'.—Which is the more profitable, to worship and serve the living God, or to bow down to the unsatisfying and unsaving practices and things of time and sense?

And do our enemies foolishly imagine that the Saints will deny their faith, forego the rights guaranteed by our common Constitution and every just human law, and tamely suffer themselves to be tyrannized over forever? One might easily suppose that the prompt vacating and burning our own property would demonstrate that we have told them the truth, and that there are principles which we prize far higher than we do those perishable things which they have set their hearts upon. If they can take a hint, they may now be satisfied that we are not going to be again rode over by mobs, that we have not been fooling in this matter and, as President Buchanan was plainly informed, that we will not again suffer such scoundrels, as some have been, to again be put in authority over us, for that was all the objection made in the 'Memorial and Resolutions' which a high officer in our Government said 'breathed a defiant spirit', and we defy him to find aught of defiance therein, except to black-hearted corruption.

If the officers and troops so uselessly, unjustly and illegally ordered to Utah can now take the hint and are ready to go back, ceasing, as they should, to aid corrupt demagogues and speculators in tyrannizing over American citizens, they will receive every requisite assistance to enable them to return to where they more properly belong, and to where their services may soon be really needed. If this just and liberal proposition be not accepted and acted upon, they have already seen a little of what they may expect, should they persist in carrying out the unhallowed designs of corrupt administrators of our Government who are urged by office-hunters, speculators and the devil to crush out every Constitutional right—every vestige of truth and liberty.

Had the mob now on our borders been the hypocritical priests, the lying editors, the rotten politicians and cursed speculators who have urged on this movement, they would long ago have been utterly wasted—they would

never have seen the South Pass. But we are perfectly aware that the officers and soldiers ordered to Utah know nothing of the merits of the case, know little or nothing correctly about the Saints, and feel obligated to carry out the orders of their superiors in authority, no matter how unjust those orders may be. For these reasons our brethren have as yet been restrained from harming those officers and soldiers, else the late battle between the soldiers and a prairie fire, which Gen. Harney may record as his 106th, would have been the prelude to their surrender or being wiped out. To 'cut out the loathsome, disgusting ulcer,' the Government should have sent those who have, solely for their religion, killed the Prophets, driven women and children, the sick, the aged and the infirm, time and again in the dead of winter, and those who have exulted in such fiendish conduct, with Stephen A. Douglas at their head, and they would long ago have been food for wolves.

All that we ask and all that we have ever asked of Government is simply our Constitutional rights, and now if they continue in their efforts to deprive us of every privilege upon the earth, our common inheritance, they will learn that American citizens upon American soil will not be driven, any further than they may be willing, or than they may see fit to drive themselves.

Who have we injured? No person on the face of the earth, but on the contrary we have ever striven and are striving to do good unto all, so far as lies in our power, as our words and works prove and ever have proved. But an expedition can be set on foot 'against Utah,' entirely based upon palpable falsehoods, and knowingly so based, utterly reckless of every thing but the selfish views and desires of the outrageously wicked, and utterly regardless of the cold, snows, privations and hardships that officers and soldiers may have to endure in carrying out their nefariously concocted schemes. With such depraved characters it is, 'hurrah for hell, exterminate the 'Mormons,' men, women and children,' without so much as even a hearing.

It may be asked, 'don't you expect that the United States will swallow you at one gulp?' If they do they will find us to be horned toads in their belly, and able to soon dig our way out in some direction, as has ever hitherto been the case, and as will now more abundantly be the result, which one might imagine that our enemies could comprehend from all past experience. Should they undertake to send armies in sufficient numbers to smother us under, they will constantly have to furnish all their provision, forage, and every thing they need for their sustenance in an isolated, undesirable and desert country, and be continually on the alert to keep it guarded on every side.

And with all that immense expenditure of the people's means for the destruction of the innocent, and with all that vast array of men ordered out to serve the devil, what are they after? Perhaps the 'rest of mankind,' for the land we occupy is public domain in whose conquest we most materially assisted. Then what do our enemies expect to gain by reconquering it? They already know that they will only gain a region that all other whites have rejected for settlement, and one which the Saints, with the loftiest motives and the most untiring industry, are occupying in every way exemplary to the whole human family. But it may be that our enemies are hunting what, in their estimation, is a mere speck in creation; if so, why can they not understand that religious persecution has ever increased and strengthened the persecuted? Then why add sin to sin, in futile efforts to overthrow those righteous principles they will not obey, but which will prevail whether opposed or not, and all the more rapidly the more they are opposed?

And the priests of the day do not indicate much faith in the god they profess to worship, for they are calling upon civil and military aid to subdue a people they term deluded. Aside from the wicked and short-sighted contradiction between their professions and practice, as manifested in ever urging on religious persecution against the Saints, why do they not shout, rend their garments, and cut themselves, for peradventure their god, like the gods of the ancient priests of Baal, is 'asleep or on a long journey'?

Giving back, leniency, and an unprecedented forbearance on our part have been invariably manifested in the eyes of all people, and there must of necessity come a period and limit when self-preservation will require a different course, unless our enemies—the enemies of the Union and of every good, virtuous principle and

wholesome law and regulation—see the folly of their movements and cease carrying on their infernal crusade against a people who only desire the best welfare of all mankind.

And again do we most respectfully request the Government of the United States, if they design to persist in their present wicked crusade against us, not to send a soldiery here who know nothing about us and who are in no wise concerned in the miserable schemes now so popular, but to call upon those priests, editors, office-holders, office-hunters, speculators, 'Mormon' eaters and mobocrats of every hue—all who delight in making a hell upon this earth—to volunteer for such a devilish service, for then a large amount of the bad blood in our nation would be readily and easily disposed of and uneasy spirits released, to the mutual benefit, peace and welfare of every good citizen in our Republic.

### DISCOURSE

By President Heber C. Kimball, Bowery, Sunday Afternoon, September 27, 1857.

[REPORTED BY J. V. LONG.]

I was going to say I was glad that I live; bless your souls, I expect always to live. Most of the people are always talking about death, I do not know anything about it and I never wish to know anything about what is called death, and I never shall, except I sin and turn away from this Church and away from Jesus Christ. When I turn from him I follow a character that is called death, but while I live my religion I never shall die, that is, my spirit never will die.

My tabernacle that is now standing before you, that you see with your eyes, I expect will decay, just like an old house; when it is done with, it decays and turns back to the mother earth from whence it was taken, and it is so with my body; it is so with yours, but it is not so with my spirit if I live my religion.

If I do not live my religion but turn away from the principles of light and life, my spirit will die. You have heard me speak of that a great many times, and so you have br. Brigham. There are thousands upon thousands whose bodies will die by the power of the second death, and then they never will return again. Many call that annihilation.

It is just the same with that as it is with this pitcher; it was made in England, it was once in its mother element and it was taken out of the earth and went through a certain process. It was then modelled and fashioned into the shape in which you now see it.

Now, will the day come when this pitcher will return to its mother earth? It will, and it may be thrown into some part of the earth where it may be thousands and millions of years before that pitcher or the elements of which it is composed will be brought back again, and so it will be with thousands and millions of the people, they never will be brought back into the shape they were in once.

Some men inquire, 'why?' Simply because they have dishonored the spirits and bodies that God gave them, therefore God will make a desolation of those bodies and spirits, and he will throw them back into the earth, that is that portion that belongs in the earth will go back there, and so it will be with our spirits, they will go back into the elements or space that they once occupied before they came here.

Now you may believe what you have a mind to about it, it is just as easy to conceive of a dissolution as to conceive of anything else. Chemists take elements and dissolve them and separate them, and can it not be done with our bodies? I answer yes, and with our spirits too, just as easy as a chemist can take a five dollar piece and dissolve it into an element that is like water. Can that be restored again? It can; it can be dissolved and it can be brought back again, and upon the same principle can our bodies be dissolved and restored again.

You know I am always to work at something that I can make you understand. As to eloquence, br. Taylor told you last Sunday what it was. 'What is it,' says one? Nothing but truth, and that in its simplicity. My prayers are, and if your prayers were always right you would pray so also, that our leader, br. Brigham, would convey things in a plain and simple manner, and you should also pray that I might do it, for I know there are many things laid before this people that hundreds of them do not understand.

I have often talked to this people about them ceasing from their evil ways; you hear the same things every sabbath. Br. Case has been teaching it, and my exhortation to-day is, cease from your dissensions.

Well, there are scores of people in this congregation who do not know what that means. When br. Brigham says a thing is so and so, and I answer that I do not believe a word of it, that is justifying my conduct, do you not see it is? You would not believe that there are people in this congregation who are so ignorant that they do not understand this, but there are.

Some are so ignorant that they will make fun of this, and they are of all the most ignorant. You never saw a learned man or a learned woman, who was a gentleman or a lady, that would ever ridicule a man or woman for not being better educated.

There is a difficulty with many of the Elders who go to England; to the United States and to the islands of the sea; they do not explain things in that simple manner which they ought to do, but they use words that are above the capacity of the people.

Go into Philadelphia, New York, Rochester and many other great cities and you will find the most ignorant people that are in the world. In