

AN UNUTTERABLY DISGUSTING PRACTICE.

WE observe that the journal of which the "Liberal" candidate for delegate to Congress is the editorial head, continues to outrage the sentiment of many decent Gentiles by continuing to publish the most infamously disgusting alleged accounts of the religious worship of the Latter-day Saints in the Tabernacle. The feeling of contempt, mingled with sentiments much more pronounced, created in the minds of many non-"Mormons" by these unadulteratedly malignant tirades of ridicule and abuse against what is considered sacred by the great majority of the people of Utah, is much stronger than among the Saints themselves. The latter are accustomed to being misrepresented, abused and falsified by the low, vulgar specimens of mental putrefaction who are constantly exhibiting their own rottenness while attempting to throw odium upon their moral, religious and intellectual superiors.

We are at the defiance of the whole world to produce a parallel to the low-lived libels on common decency referred to which are constantly appearing in the paper which is under the editorial management of the "Liberal" candidate for delegate. History furnishes no comparison. The Gentile readers of the sheet, religious and otherwise, are aware that the alleged reviews of the Tabernacle services referred to are simply a combination of tortuous distortions, libelous and shameful personal aspersions, unblushing falsehoods, horrible blasphemy and disgustingly lewd innuendoes. The sacred name of Deity is held up to ridicule, and mixed with the most abominable obscenity. The practice of that journal in this respect is enough to inspire with the most ineffable repugnance, every respectable man and woman conversant with it and cause them to shut the vile thing out of their domiciles lest their children be impregnated with the noisome infection it exhales.

Notwithstanding this unchristian, nay, inhuman phase of this blot on journalism, and the foul and blasphemous character of the emanations to which allusion is now made, not a minister of any denomination has the manhood, courage, consistency or disposition to protest against it with the faintest indication of a breath. We presume that one reason for this is that while this horri-

ble mixture of obscenity, blasphemy and falsehood, is poured—ineffectual though the operation may be—through the sewer-like columns of the paper referred to, it is still the organ of the sectarian clergy of this city and Territory. It is probable that some of them might have a slight disposition to object to the blasphemous feature of their journalistic exponent, but none cares to venture to offend it.

It may not be amiss to modestly allude to the difference of treatment accorded by the News to the sectarian denominations. Up to date, some of their ministers have been in the habit of forwarding notices of their services to this journal, and the rule has been to give them publicity without charge. And it has been a rule not to initiate an attack upon them or their religious services. When we have taken them to task it has been when they have transformed themselves into unchristian anti-"Mormon" machines. Then we have directed some attention to them. If any suppose however, that we could not turn upon them and their religious views the batteries of sarcasm, irony and ridicule, were we so disposed, they might reckon without their host. But we have refrained from this, because it is ungentlemanly to hold up to contempt that which is regarded by others as sacred. This is the work of the basest and coarsest ruffians. But while saying this we reserve all rights of self-defense, which sometimes assume the shape of counter-aggression.

These remarks are not superinduced by any anxiety on the subject. The vulgar scribes can fill their mission of diabolism without giving us the slightest concern. To those who understand, it will be plain that the reason why the religious services of the "Mormon" Church are so grossly and inexcusably misrepresented is that those who thus treat them are inspired with a fear lest the reasonableness, logic and force of the religion of the Latter-day Saints, as expressed in their worship, should become more widely known, and their own villainy in defaming it exposed.

It was represented a few days ago that the eccentric and electrical O. W. Powers expressed himself to the effect that he was well satisfied with the candidate nominated, by the "Liberal" convention, as he would receive quite a strong "Mormon vote." This must be one of the astute political manipulator's brilliant jokes,

THEY NEVER WANTED IT.

THE anti-"Mormon" press has been more bitter since the declaration of the "Mormon" President and its acceptance and adoption by the "Mormon" Conference, almost than ever before. Why is this? The reason is obvious. Though clamoring for such action for years as the one thing needful, and the only barrier in the way of the "Mormons" to recognition as good citizens and harmonious parts of the great body politic, it was no sooner taken, than wrath and bitterness and rancor were poured forth in a flood against it. The truth is, it was never wanted by the enemies of the Latter-day Saints. Most of the demands for it were hypocritical. Those who have been the loudest in calling for it desired it least. They never believed it would come, or they would have changed their cry. It vexes them beyond measure. They curse it under their breath and try to belittle it by every means possible. Their contortions are laughable, their pretended disbelief in its sincerity contemptible. They know full well it means too much for their projects, and that it takes the ground from under their feet and the opportunity for their chief falsehoods from their mendacious lips. We would be sorry for them more if we could despise them less.

ANOTHER SPECIMEN OF ANTI-"MORMON" LOGIC.

THE logic (?) of the "Liberal" organ in this city and its remarkable consistency (?) have received numerous illustrations and some exposures. One more ought to be noticed. It has declared several times that the action of President Woodruff and the General Conference on the polygamy question amount to nothing; that they are not conclusive and binding; that they are deceptive and a fraud. Yet in other articles it vaunts itself as the great and mighty engine by which this great change has been wrought in "Mormondom," and in a blasphemous spirit it announces that the Lord has been brought over to the views and demands of the *Tribune*. Now if this whole matter of "Mormon" action is a "fraud" then the "Liberal" organ has been laboring for years to effect a fraud. If it amounts to nothing, then that organ has spent itself for naught. And all its boastings are utterly absurd, and its vaporings have been in vain. Squirm and twist as it will,