

truthful charges, and persistent plotter against the rights of citizens, that ever put pencil to paper, or sought to assassinate liberty to promote the ends of a corrupt party and clear his own way to the acme of his ambition.

REFINED AND CONCLUSIVE "ARGUMENT."

THE "brilliant," "gentlemanly" and "scholarly" editor of the *Salt Lake Tribune*, daily alternates between two questions: Silver and the "Mormons," or "Mormonism" and Silver. When opposed on either subject he resorts to the most powerful weapon at his intellectual command; that is, personal abuse and a series of epithets.

This morning he holds a characteristic "argument" with the editor of the *Springfield Republican*, who has dared to question the morality of some of the "Liberal" editor's utterances in relation to certain Senators and the silver question. This is the sort of reasoning wherewith he smites the Springfield disputant:

"A hypocrite and a knave," "The dishonest Springfield *Republican*," * "All the time it was lying." * "It has been full of these tricks all its life." * "The father of the present owner of the *Republican* was a dishonest man, and the evidences are that he transmitted his dishonesty to his son."

Of course that is conclusive. There is no room for further discussion of the silver question. That is the method by which the gifted journalist and profound logician of the *Tribune* demolishes his opponents on the "Mormon" question. The writer who has the temerity to expose his errors and straighten out his serpentine contortions of speech, is either a "scrub," a "fool," a "knave," a "hired liar," a "sorry ass"—whatever that may be, or something else equally vile but scarcely fit to be repeated here, or his father, mother or some near relative is assailed in terms similarly contemptible.

We do not know how we can better express the estimate in which he is held among conservative people of both parties in this city, than by his own words, which thus conclude the article to which we have made brief reference:

"On general principles we believe a man who is eternally searching for something through which he can attack some one else in a way to prejudice outside people is a scoundrel and a knave himself."

Fine emery paper and sweet oil are excellent for polishing steel graters.

THE JEWISH ATTITUDE.

THE news from Russia to the effect that the government of the Czar is rigorously applying proscriptive measures to the Jewish residents of that country, is presumed to have shocked the civilized world. At least there is a passing profession of it having done so. There is so much hypocritical cant and mock philanthropy abroad that the genuineness of the pretended sentiment of sorrow is open to question. Nations claiming the highest advancement in civilization have conditions within their own borders that entail human suffering at least equal to that inflicted upon the hapless Russian Jews, although the misery is not perhaps of a similar character. It seems, however, that the latest anti-Jewish freak will render thousands of Hebrew families homeless, and probably drive them out of the empire. This is a situation that ought to excite real sympathy, but that feeling outside of the ranks of people who belong to the same race as those who are so barbarously treated will be neither very deep nor very widespread, as a rule. Indeed there is no nation on earth which does not share the general antipathy with which the Jews are regarded. To be so treated has been their lot from the time of their dispersion to the present.

Even this nation is not free from the anti-semitic feeling. It is not as yet exhibited in proscriptive legal enactments, but is manifested in social circles and in literature, numbers of books having evidently been written for the express purpose of creating prejudice against them. They have, in consequence of this almost universal feeling of aversion, been excluded from numbers of the leading hotels in America.

The adverse sentiment against the Hebrews exists to some extent in Utah. The fact is well known among themselves, the question of ostracising them from a well known social organization in this city having been debated some time ago.

There is only one class of people who may be said to be entirely free from this unjust bias against the Hebrews as a race—the Latter-day Saints. It has always been an anomaly to us how so many of the Jews residing in this part of the country could take part in a crusade that has to a large extent brought similar injustice upon another people to that of which they have good reason to complain as having been applied to those of their own

race. When this treatment is directed toward the only community that is entirely free from the prejudice under which the Jews have had to suffer for centuries, the attitude of numbers of Hebrews in this part of the country, in joining in an anti-"Mormon" conspiracy, is all the more surprising. One would suppose that they would be ready to condemn such a crusade, whose main objects are robbery and expulsion, directed against the Latter-day Saints under the leadership of a number of active politicians.

The "Mormon" community have never regarded the Jews as an inferior race, but the contrary, notwithstanding that many of those who have drifted out this way have given unmistakable evidences of inferiority, by the course they have taken toward a people among whom they have become fattened and enriched. However, it would be unjust to condemn a whole people on account of the dastardly conduct of a few of their number. The Hebrews, aside from the contemptible conduct of many of those located in this part of the country, are a great people, by whom great things will yet be accomplished in connection with developments of the future. It would be a point in their favor if those who have joined in the anti-"Mormon" crusade should be some time struck with a streak of consistency and refrain from joining in a crusade that would, if successful, bring upon the "Mormons" similar disasters to those which have befallen their co-religionists in Russia.

THE "SUN" SHINES ON THE LIBERAL CANDIDATE.

THE Cheyenne, Wyoming, *Sun* has been discussing the Republican victory in the new State and the effect of the "Mormon" vote. It takes issue with the "Liberal" organ in this city as to that vote and shows that it was not "solid" in any direction. Some "Mormons" voted for one party, others for the opposite party, and the whole matter either way has been greatly exaggerated and misrepresented in usual *Tribune* fashion. We have not space for the entire article, but will reproduce portions of it. The *Sun* says:

"The *Salt Lake Tribune* claims to be a Republican paper, and yet it makes a grand kick because some of the Mormons in Wyoming voted the Republican ticket. There was only one alternative, and that was for them to vote the Democratic ticket, which strange to say, according to the *Trib-*