

mony with the policy he deemed proper to be pursued with reference to Utah affairs, and for this reason he desired to make a change." This was not a discreet remark, and it was unfortunate, both for Mr. Miller and the administration with which he is connected, that discretion is not one of his strong characteristics. The functions of a judge are not to have a policy, or to assist in carrying out a policy, but to fearlessly and impartially administer the law. If Judge Sandford has been derelict in his duty, his resignation should not have been demanded, but he should have been peremptorily discharged, and that, too, not on a question of policy, but because of the necessities of good government. There are some excuses that are worse than confessions, and this one made by Attorney-General Miller may be classed in that category.

### VOLUME ONE.

THE present number completes the first volume of the DESERET WEEKLY, or the thirty-eighth volume of the weekly edition of the DESERET NEWS, and is accompanied by an index. From the many favorable comments we have heard respecting this new form of the DESERET WEEKLY NEWS, we are convinced that it is very much appreciated. The nature of its contents, and the convenient form for binding, in which they are printed, render them extremely valuable. In years to come they will be esteemed even more highly than at present.

It has been deemed advisable to divide the year into two volumes, for the reason that twenty-six numbers when bound, make a book of a size as large as is convenient for handling; but this division has no relation to the subscription price, which is \$2.50 per year, or \$1.50 per half year.

It will be the aim to improve the contents of the magazine, especially in regard to the quantity and quality of original matter appearing in it, as fast as circumstances will permit; but an examination of the volume now closing, will show it to contain an amount of matter remarkable for variety, interest, quantity, and present and permanent value, its price being considered.

### RELIGIOUS.

#### Sunday Services.

Religious services were held in the Tabernacle Sunday, June 16, 1889, commencing at 2 p. m.; President Angus M. Cannon, presiding.

The choir and congregation sang:

Arise, my soul, arise,

Shake off thy guilty fears.

Prayer by Elder Karl G. Maeser.  
The choir sang:

Forewell, all earthly honors;  
I bid you all adieu.

The Priesthood of the Sixteenth Ward officiated in the administration of the Sacrament.

ELDER WM. M. PALMER

was called to address the congregation. He read from the Doctrine and Covenants, section 133, as follows:

Hearken, O ye people of my church, saith the Lord your God, and hear the word of the Lord concerning you;

The Lord who shall suddenly come to his temple; the Lord who shall come down upon the world with a curse to judgment; yea, upon all the nations that forget God, and upon all the ungodly among you.

For he shall make bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of their God.

While reflecting on the situation of the Saints, on the hatred manifested against them, and the pressure brought to bear in opposition to the Word of God, these words had come to his mind. It should be apparent to all believers in the Bible that there is a God in the great work of the Latter-day Saints. It is a marvel that men cannot see the hand of our Father in this work, for He has told it so plainly through His Prophets, and their prophecies are recorded in the Scriptures. Christendom today does not teach the doctrines taught by Christ; in fact they declare that those things which He said were necessary are done away. As John Wesley said, the reason they are done away is because professing Christians have become heathen again. The signs do not follow because the people do not believe. Men say this is an enlightened age, but whence comes the light? It is because God has poured out revelation upon the world, in preparing for the accomplishment of His work, but the world will not acknowledge Him as the source of light. Whenever He has sent messengers to mankind they have sought to destroy those messengers. This has been the history of the world, many times repeated. As it was in ancient days so is it at the present time; when the Gospel is preached the servants of God are subjected unto persecution by an unbelieving world. This is because of the wickedness of men, who are not willing to let others exercise their free agency.

The Apostle says that God has set in the Church certain officers. Who has the right to remove them? The Lord did not withdraw His action, but men have departed from His Word. Where these officers do not exist, there the Church is not. The Church of Christ is not without Prophets and the gifts of the Spirit. In this age, when this doctrine is proclaimed in the world, those who teach it are persecuted. The reason for this is given by the Savior, "If ye were of the world the world would love you; but ye are not of

the world, therefore the world hates you."

In order to obtain salvation it is necessary for us to take upon us a new life, through faith, repentance and baptism, and to receive the Holy Ghost. We must walk in the path in which our Lord walked. This will bring us persecution, but that is the lot of those who walk godly in Christ Jesus. The Saints have accepted the Gospel, and obeyed its ordinances. Upon them came the spirit of gathering, and they assembled together. The world saw this and endeavored to break up the Church. They are actuated by the same spirit that produced the persecutions anciently. In this age the Lord will not allow the world to destroy His work, but He will suddenly come to His temple, and bring judgment with Him. He will pour out His wrath upon those who hate Him. The judgment of the Almighty is being poured out on the nations to-day, as foretold by His prophets. These things betoken the near approach of the second coming of Christ. The judgments of the Lord will continue to rest upon the inhabitants of the earth, and upon those who are ungodly yet profess to be Saints.

There is a day coming when the Lord will make bare his arm in the deliverance of His people. Zion never saw a better day than the present, for the Lord pours out upon his faithful Saints the choice blessings of heaven. He answers the prayers of those who are consistent Saints, who observe and keep His laws. The time is drawing nigh for the coming of our Savior. We know it by the signs that we are receiving. May we be faithful and prepare ourselves for that great event.

PRESIDENT GEORGE Q. CANNON

said: The remarks of Brother Palmer concerning certain spiritual gifts brought to my mind the words of an ancient Prophet:

And again I exhort you, my brethren, that ye deny not the gifts of God, for they are many; and they come from the same God. And there are different ways that these gifts are administered; but it is the same God who worketh all in all; and they are given by the manifestation of the Spirit of God unto men, to profit them;

For behold, to one is given by the Spirit of God, that he may teach the word of wisdom;

And to another, that he may teach the word of knowledge by the same Spirit;

And to another, exceeding great faith; and to another, the gifts of healing by the same Spirit;

And again, to another, that he may work mighty miracles;

And again, to another that he may prophesy concerning all things;

And again, to another, the beholding of angels and ministering spirits;

And again, to another all kinds of tongues;

And again, to another, the interpretation of languages and of divers kinds of tongues.