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AT FOUR O'CLOCE. PRINTED AND PUBLISHED BY THE DESERET NEWS COMPANY CHARLES W. PENROSE, EDITOR. - 2 June 17, 1886 IMPRISONMENT FOR CON-

SCIENCE' SAKE.

amnesty to Apostle Lorenzo Snow and the "Federal official"-wolf! This fellow prisoners for conscience and epinions' sake there can be no great strous inconsistency, hypocrisy and variety of opinions respecting the sincerity of His Excellency's desire ettle the question of plural marriage. This subject has been made the hobb of the courts of Utah for the past eightteen months or more, to the exclusion of a proper regard as to the real crimes and festering corruptions committee which has been repeatedly brought to their notice, but by the courts persis-tently ignored, because not in the line

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of their assumed mission to destroy a religious . community. Thus infamous, corrupting crimes have been winked at if not sanctioned and encouraged, the lecherous perpetrators of these crimes have been reeased from prosecution, set free, and applauded, while the witnesses against them have been charged with "conspiracy," insulted; abused, held up to scathing ridicule and contempt by the prosecutors and the courts, and finally punished by fines and imprisonment because they were members of a proscribed church, and not that they were "polygamists," or lecherous debauch-

<text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text> to mental slavery to human caprice? Who would not prefer social ostradone the same thing, but were denied cism to moral misery? What honest the privilege of proving their innocence man will abandon his family and his by Federal officials. Yet, because they religion for fear of corporal would not promise to do something punishment, or at the behest that no man can foresee or know is possible for him to do-and not for they have power? Who, having the erime committed-they were fined natural instincts of genuine humanity, to the full extent of the law, with the addition of exorbi would shrink from the highest obligation and duty of manhood, which he tant costs, and sent to jail! owes to God and mankind, to save And yet in the face of the facts, Gov. himself from the wrath of man? Who West is reported as saying to Elder will face the infamy of a tarnished L. Snow, and his fellow prisoners for name, is blighted character, branded conscience sake, "You are not being with the shame of cowardice, and the prosecuted for opinion's sake!" In the crimes of perjury and treachery to lov- name of reason what is it for, then? A ing, trusting wives and children, to be change of positions with Apostle Snow handed down to posterity, only to save | would unquestionably work's "powerhis life-much less to escape a few ful change" in His Excellency's mind years imprisonment and official rob- on this point, and it may be wonder-bery, when "he that would save his ful what changes the wheels of forbery, when "he that would save his life"-at such a price-shall lose is? tune will yet bring about! It may be very pleasant for such But what must be the impression reatures as C. S. Zane and W. H. produced by such one-sided and Dickson, who seem incapable of comhasty expressions from the Governor prehending the bold lessons which all so recently arrived in the Territory. history teaches respecting such fanati-cism as theirs, they having a little ipon the minds of the victim of the anti-"Mormon" crusade as brief authority, to immure in prisons honest, brave, pure and honorable men, who have broken no law, comwell as upon the minds of their families, and every person correctly mitted no crime, injured no living crea- rages almost daily being committed upon the peaceful and industrious peo-ple of Utah? No doubt they will be ture-the very best men of the landfor their opinions, or faith, or to stifle their religious belief, and nothing less or more, and then turn round, (who knows why?) and offer to intercede for profoundly grateful for His Excellen-cy's disinterested kindness, and duly appreciate his efforts in the ostensible interests of the persecuted. But how them on condition that they will vircan it fail to appear to them in the intually perjure themselves by acknowlterest only of the other side, in justifithat the injustice and edging they were unlawfully cation of the innocent, in aid of a corsuffering at their persecutors' hands was just. But it is neither so pleasant nor so easy for those who are thus "rule or ruin," to fix more tightwrongfully dealt by, punished and in- ly the fetters upon the thrifty jured to accept what to them strongly limbs of our young, healthy and ly resembles a contemptible lasult super-added to the injustice already done them. Surely not until the last spark of manhood were crushed out of Utah what it is, except the confusion the human heart and brain would it and evil wrought by bigoted "carpetbe possible for honest men te consent bag" Federal officials! to such humiliation. Imprisonment Has the Governor falle Has the Governor fallen luto the tolls for life, when men are innocent of any of the inveterate opponents of "Mor-crime, would be a priceless boon in monism," and become not the Govercrime, would be a priceless boon in comparison to "liberty" at the cost of wives and children, honor, manhood, honest conviction, religion and home. honest conviction, religion and home. "Liberty" indeed! At such a price; "liberty" could only be found in death; and then, O! where should we find it? With equal kindness, magnanimity and mercy might the wold and it?

Not Not Governor, is would not be claim any interference with opinions, the ever memorable fourth of July, the half of the State, and touched elo-pleasant to tell the truth about these but yet he asserts that no one has a right method for the memorable fourth of July, the der with the final independence obtained. atters, for it would brand the perpeto set up his opinion against the detrators of the infamous outrages now tions or opinions of "constibeing inflicted upon Utah's founders, tuted authorities." Here is liberty Utah's best men, as bigots, fanatics with a vengeance! One man's opinion and little less than inhuman brutes, must be governed by the opinion of anwithout conscience or soul. And that other: And a man "cannot be a good their mission, whether assumed or au- citizen" and entertain an opinion conthoritative, is nothing less than a trary to the opinion of a judge or court. heartless religious crusade, under color "When the courts construe the law, of law, against an unpopular church. that is the law, and we have no right Oh! yes, it would be far better for the to say anything else!" This profound to say anything else!" This protound guiltless but friendless and helpless wisdom, in the light of the fact, that lambto"acknowledge the corn,"commit even the decisions of the Supreme

perjury, forswear its innocence, er- | Court of the land have been reversed. tol the transcendent generosity and and are likely to be more so in the loving kindness of the merchess foe future! But there is no court on earth In reviewing Governor West's offer of and consent at once to be devoured by that can control the opinions, of men,

however much they try. would gloss over the glaring, mon-

And as for the legal opinions of th Utah judges, or their legal ability, perfidy of the crusade, and the rapa-I do not think it can be questioned that ous character of its vile and mathere are scores of men in Utah whose licious operators. It would help to justify and consummate the sacrifice of legal opinions, and whose legal attainments are immeasurably superior, and ments are immeasurably superior, and as is their right that no man can justly dispute, they denounce the opinions of the Utah courts, as unjust and wrong, both in law and is fact. This is in accordance with constitu-tional rights: the freedom of oninion the innocent to the ravenous appetite of the "beast of prey." Certainly! This would be a "consummation devoutly to be wished" from the standpoint of the "wolf !" But what about the

tional rights; the freedom of opinion Supposing Governor West were com-pelled to occupy the position in which or of speech cannot be abridged ! Why Apostle L. Snow is placed, he having been convicted of "unlawful cohabitation," of which he was not guilty, although so far as there was any proof adduced in the trial of Elder Snow, the Governor is as guilty under the Edmunds law of "unlawful cohabitation"

nunds law of "unlawful consoltation" interfer for poaching, that he could into the use there. In the use there is the use there. In the use there. It is use the use the use the use there. It is use the use the use the use there. It is use the use use the use the use the use the use the use t

the sons and daught of mi rs of America of the sons and daughters of America as well as her foreign born subjects, and orators vie with each other in pouring jourth their eloquent enuncia-tions in honor of the men who dared to assert their rights under such discouraging circum-stances and who led their supporters forth to victory and thus as they thought secured to American citizens those inalienable rights designed by God that man should enjoy. Little did these noble patriots think that ere eleven decades should pass away that their children would so far forget their fealty to them and the

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than those they had subdued; and in order to accomplish their purpose that they would trample under foot those principles of freedom which had cost

principles of freedom which had con-so much precious blood to estab-lish. Yet, it is nevertheless a fact that, here in Utah and the adjoining Territories-deny if as they may and call the citizens of these dependencies (Territories) rebell these dependencies to remonstrate

SOME PRETEXT MUST BE YOUND or of speech cannot be abridged! Why then should the Governor justify the imprisonment of Apostle Snow and many others for holding opinions con-trary to the opinion of Zane, Powers, Boreman, Dickson & Co.? I am aware he says it is not so. He may as well tell the man in the stocks, whe was put there for poaching, that he could not be put there for that offence, but

Torrents of Rain at Pittsburg. Pirresure, Fa., 17. — The beaviest rain of the season visited this section last night and this morning. In vari-ous parts of the city the stores are flooded and on Mulberry Alley 30 fami-lies were washed out of their houses by a gas trench overflowing and filling the dwellings with water. Washouts and headelings are washed on several and landslides are reported on severa railways and trains are badly delayed

Speeding the Atlantic Flyers,

NEW YORK, 17 .- The fleet of yachts

NEW YORK, 17.—The fleet of yachts anchored off Bay Ridge and Staten Is-land began early this morning to pre-pare for the contest of to day under the anspices of the New York Yacht Club. The entries numbered 26; among them being the first class sloops Mayflower Allantic, Priscille and Puritas. The wind was very fight in the early morning and the weather hazy, but towards 11 o'clock it gave signs of clearing. The Thetis was the first of the fleet to pass Quarantine Station, which she did at 11:10, the Priscille at 11:12, the Puritan at 11:12, the Allantic at 11:17 and the Mayflower at 11:17.

the Atlantic at 11:17 and the Maynower at 11:17. Sainjy Hook, 17.—The yachts passed buoy 5 off Hook as follows: The Bed-ouin at 12:52; Friscilla 12:55, Maylower 12:58 3.5; Puritan 1:31 4-5 Atlantic 1:09, 12:30 p. m.—The following yachts have turned the south west spit: Bedouinfürst, followed by the Priscilla, Maylower, Puritan and Atlantic. Highlands 2:13 p. m.—The weather continues thick, the yachts are in sight outside of the bar, homeward bound. The Priscilla leads, followed by Bedouin, Maylower and Puritan. 3 p. m.—The wind is light from the west and cloudy. The Priscilla is lead-ing and near the Hook. She will have to make another tack before rounding. The Bedouin keeps near to her. The Boston yachts cannot be seen on ac-count of the fog.

FOREIGN.

LATEST TRANSATLANTIC DIS

's Departure-Mis Bedal tion of the Issue.

LONDON, 17.—Gladstone started this morning on his Scotch campaign. He was accompanied by Mrs. Gladstone. Thousands of people congregated at the railway station to witness his de-parture. The crowd was simply enor-mous; it seriously blocked and delayed the anomach of the Brandstor enclared



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terfere with, control or curb the of their country. Others would have opinion of any man. That under

the Constitution of our country, all men are as free to have and hold opinions as to breathe the air of heaven. And if any man puts his opinions into practice, contrary to the statutes in such case made and provided, whether said statutes were constitutional or not, and he were legally tried, and duly convicted in pursuance of law, let him ablde, the issue and all the consequences.

Every man with common intelligence may read the Constitution and the laws

be unconstitutional he has a right to test it, and when tested, if the decision go against him, he still has the right to his judgment and opinion, though he may make up his mind to shide the consequences of disobedience to it. We believe the Edmunds Law is a fla-

grant violation of the Constitution and we will live to see it and all such monstrosities hurled with their authors into oblivion and eternal contempt. Therefore let unjust law-makers, partisan judges, and unscrupulous law-yers beware, curb their evil pas-sions and keep within the law, or there informed upon these unjudicial out- awaits them by the fist of eternal justice, irrevocable retribution!

> Jos. F. SMITH. JUNE 10th, 1886.

THEN AND NOW.

HISTORY REPEATING ITSELF.

The examples of the past fall in al-most every instance to furnish lessons for the present: consequently the out-rages and wrongs that were perpe-trated a century or more ago are re-peated and often outdone by the al-most immediate descendants of those who have resisted to the death the wrongs they have endured at the hands of their oppressors. This is particu-larly applicable to the people of America, whose garments are scarcely washed clean g from the bloodstains with which they were bespattered in the grand struggle for freedom and liberty.

iberty. A little over a century ago a DESPERATE CONFLICT

took place between the colonists of America (British subjects it is time) and the Imperial government of Great Britain, resulting in the triumph of those principles of right which are God-given, and must sconer or later be awarded to all peoples. Previous to this, however, and extending through a long period of years, the people through their representatives, many wimes had sought for redress. The

We have many times witnessed the spectacle in the Sait Lake Federal court room of the Judge raising the sword of Damocles and

SUSPENDING IT OVER HIS VICTIM

suspending if over His victim, delearing that unless he recanted and made promises for the future it should fail upon his unfortunate neck, and we have thought at these fines of the words of the valiant Pitt before the House of Commons when pleading for the Colonists: "Men so lost to every sense of virtue as tamely to give up their liberties would be fit for slaves." History sometimes repeats itself in a century or less, while some history is not repeated for many centuries. But repeat itself it will, sooner or later, until the final triumph of right is brought to pass: We are

of his country, and form his own opinions. And if he believes a law to

BATTLING FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM not for ourselves so much as for our posterity, and we would be untrue to our trust were we to yield to obtain personal liberty. We shall live in our posterity, either honored or con-demned, and God never rewarded a coward. We propose to repeat in our lives the unswerving integrity of those who have sacrificed their all rather than yield honest convictions. "Let it be remembered, however, we are

NOT THE AGGRESSORS

Not the Addressons. Our religion, plural marriage included, was an established fact many, many rears before any law was passed against the practice, and the law first made remained up-on the statute book a dead letter for ten years, and even then could hardly berevired by the passage of an-other haw enacted for the same parpage. And now look upon the spectacle! Fifty-five millions of peo-ple arrayed against one hundred and fifty thousand.

The man of limited foresight see

against this overwhelming majority while the man who puts his must in banner of religious freedom; for there is a mighty host, unseen by man, who are closely watching this unequal struggle, and in the very nick of time, when detest seems imminent to this very small number, will this interested host interfere in their behalf and se-eure them such a victory as will outvie that which Moses obtained for Israel after he had said, "Stand still and see the salvation of Ged." alor PROPHETIC.

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