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TO THE LATTER . DAY SAINTS.

To the members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Greeting:

The widespread feeling of fear and anxiety concerning the prevalence of smallpox in this city has caused us to advise that the Latter-day Saints college be closed for a short time, until the excitement is allayed concerning that institution of learning and others where people any in danger of exposure to this dread disease. We take this opportunity of suggesting to the people generally that they employ every precaution to prevent the spread of the contagion, by seeing to it that those who are or have been exposed exclude themselves strictly from public association with others, lest they be the means of communicating the disease. To the question of vaccination we have given careful thought and consideration; and our conclusion is that where care is taken as to cleanliness and purity of the vaccine matter, the treatment is beneficial, in that if it does not prove a preventive, it at least acts as a palliative-that is, it robs the plague of much of its terror by causing it to assume in the case of a vaccinated person, a lighter form. We are aware that there is a difference of opinion in the community as to the merits of this question; and, while we have regarded it largely as a matter of individual choice, we have felt reluctant to express ourselves publicly upon it. Now, however, we feel to publish the foregoing as our conclusion; and we therefore suggest and recommend that the people generally avail themselves of the opportunity to become vaccinated, using the utmost care to procure the services of those who are competent and will be conscientious in supplying only the purest virus that can be obtained. We feel in our own minds justified in making this recommendation, and trust that it will

instructions to arrest all disturbers of the public peace, and especially the oodlums who remove gates, bridges and other property, tear down fences, build bonfires in the streets, yell and hoot and make night hideous, and act as though they were defiant of all reatraint. Then let them be punished, not let off with a homily. A few examples made of the young ruffians will act as a deterrent. Something forcible and determined is wanted immediately. Hoodlumism in this city must

THE PERIL OF "MORMONISM."

We see from the controversy continued in the columns of the Br -"YB Times, that Rev. Sydney H. Cox is still attacking that which he imagines is Mormonism," and which, in his ignor- an accused innocent, until the guilt is ance of the subject, he denounces as a proved, his forturers and executioners "Political Peril." Elder William J. Snow, however, keeps up his vigorous their act is considered, simply murderreplies, and advances facts and argunents which the pastor of Lee Avenue Congregational church does not meet, account will nevertheless have to be except with ridicule and references to settled some day, either here or hereefuted charges of half a century ago. after, "for there is no respect of per-Elder Snow's letters are given full space in the Times, and are written in spirit of frankness and courtesy, which cannot fall to impress the unplased reader. He opposes, against the invective and slander indulged in by Mr. Cox, the testimony of history, of ence to other States that in one or more

where "Mormon" influence predominites, he makes the following remarks in the Times of November 6;

"If Mr. Cox deems it in keeping with his professed high calling to step down from the platform of Christian justice governments the rule obtains that those and Christian charity and revel in the pool of slanderous invective, let him get all the satisfaction from it possible. 'Mormon' Elders cannot silence their rising indignation when listening to charges of gross immorality and hein-ous degradation made against their nothers, sisters, wives, etc., women whom they know to be as virtuous and noble as any that grace God's foot-stool, but they have no disposition to stoop to the 'you're another, or look in the glass' argument in defense. We simply say to an honorable public as Philip said to Nathanael: 'Come and

'As an object lesson, the writer comes rom a county incorporating within its imits eighteen school districts (and, by he way, free public schools are main dined), ranging in population from 100 2,000, in which there is not a saloon a gambling den, a brothel, a slum, a house of ill repute of any kind. The people are industrious, intelligent and practically independent, each head of a family owning his own homestead and minding his own business. In the whole county there were not to exceed six real estate mortgages when the writer left home about one year ago. These facts can be verified by the affidavit of non-'Mormons' and county of ficials. This is a county in which th Mormon' element wholly and absolutepredominates, the ascendancy about ninety-five per cent. 'By their fruits ye shall know them.'"

Referring to the charges of Church dictation and slavery to the Priesthood, often preferred and repeated by Mr. Cox, he says further:

and yet, as far as known, took no steps to prevent it. Society is organized with the very purpose in view of doing away with acts of private vengeance, for the protection of those who may be innocently suspected and the proper adjustview. ment of the punishment to the crime. The officials are entrusted to act in this matter for the people, and they are solemnly eworn to perform their duty. When they fail to do so, they cannot

escape responsibility for the evil consequences that are sure to follow. The victim of mobocracy was per naps, guilty of the awful crime of which he was accused, and he was, if so, unfit to live. But the mob, by their interference, executed judgment before the guilt was proved, except for the

"confession" that was extorted from him, and inasmuch as the law considers ure, no matter from what point of view ers. They will, in all probability not be reached by human justice, but their

sons with God." It is a serious question whether the Federal government should not be given the necessary power to interfere with mobs that take the law in their own hands. It is not a matter of indiffercourt proceedings, and of conditions of them anarchy is occasionally permitexisting in Utah of his own personal | ted to rule. The example is contagious, knowledge. As to the state of society and evils not suppressed spread like polsonous weeds. Even if the States were not bound together in a grand Union, uncontrolled lawlessness in one State would be a menace to its imme-

governments the rule obtains that those that are either unable or not willing to maintain law and order are interfered with, and, if necessary, extinguished. It is difficult to see how any other rule can safely be applied in matters pertaining to sovereign States in a federation. Lynch law is a serious menace to the entire country. If it is permitted much longer, the time will come when private vengeance will take the place of the more complicated ad-

ministration of the law, and then blood will flow on the least provocation. The human beast will usurp all authority, and violence will fill the land as in the days before the deluge. It may be like crying out in the wil-

derness to speak against the prevailing evils of the day, but every citizen with love for the country should protest against the murders that are committed in broad day light and in defiance of civilization, not to speak of Christianity. It seems to us that if they are silent, the very stones would be moved and bear witness, in the day of judgment, against this generation.

TENDENCY OF PROTESTANTISM.

Rev. Joseph McSorley, a Paulist priest, in The American Ecclesiastical | tent. He should be silent and hang his Review for October, maintains that nodern Protestantism has a tendency towards the denial of the doctrine of the divinity of the Redeemer. He admits that thousands of Protestants loyally worship the Son of God, but he contends that the very nature of Pro testantism is such as to make its profession "a mere preface to bold denial of what Christ's true disciples hold to be their dearest treasure-the literal truth of God's incarnation." This is a sweeping criticism on the numerous bodies of "Christian" assoclations that pride themselves on the orthodoxy of their creeds, and the immaculate conception of their doctrines. But is it not just to a great extent? Rev. McSorley looks at the religious currents in the world and finds these conditions: "In Germany, where there still thun-ders the echo of Luther's proclama-tion of religious freedom, the 'pure Gospel' has given birth in succession to detism, mythism, rationalism, ideal-sm, sentimentalism, panthéism. In ieneva, the Rome of Protestantism, chere Farel preached and Caivin leglalated, Protestant Christianity has de-veloped into a sort of baptized deism, too little Christian, I might almost say, to meet the approbation of a Rousseau or a Voltaire. In Holland and France, with insignificant excep-tions, the Reformed churches have be come unevangelical and rationalistic in fact, whatever they may be in name In Norway, Sweden and Denmark there decided indications of a revival o Odinism, or the old Scandinaviar heathenism; in England and Scotland older deism of the seventeenth an eighteenth centuries is succeeded by meager spiritualism which is only miserable humanism, and in this coun try Protestantism tends to reject al gmas, to make Christianity a merscenic display, and to settle down in a evived necromancy and demon-wor ship, When, some few years since, your Protestant delegates met in a world's convention at London, to devise and effect a Protestant aliance - for the verthrow of Catholloity, they found that there were no common doctrines on which they could agree, not even at of the immortality of the soul, and ce obliged to separate without draw g up a common confession. A creed natural religion, never called into estion even by heathen nations, was ound to embrace too much to be ac-opted by all who claimed to be good well.

to be heard as Luther and Wesley. There can be no escape from this conclusion. Protestants who take such pleasure in branding "Mormons" as infidels and "blasphemers" might read with profit the entire article in the Re-

About the only successful way to save coal it not to burn it. The Cuban constitutional convention

seems to be constitutionally slow.

Perhaps the heavens are weeping over the demolition of the Dewey arch.

The higher a building boom goes the more hammering down there is.

Colorado has taken an altogether. too prominent place among the barbarous States.

Selma Schnapke, who hurled a hatchat at Emperor Will, is most likely a hatchet-faced woman.

Rain in the valley means snow in the mountains and both mean riches to the soll in the spring and summer.

Attorney-General Griggs will retire from the cabinet on March 4th next. me goeth and another cometh,

If China cannot pay the indemnity the powers now seem disposed to exact of her, she might let them have the country and give her note for the balance.

It is shocking to hear of savagery. in a neighboring civilized community Law should be held above human passion and public justice higher than personal revenge.

A secret treaty is said to have been oncluded between Russla and China. The world is more interested in the conclusion of peace between China and the powers,

Judge Taft says that only the surface of the Philippines has been scratched. The Utah artillery boys know better. They captured many deep trenches.

"The Lady of the Black Heart" is the title of Whistler's latest portrait. She is doubiless a near relative to Kipling's lady who is so famous for her "hank of hair."

The city of Savannah is about to erect a monument to the memory of General James Edward Oglethorpe, the but "better late than never."

The sweet subject of a sugar factory is in the mouths of our Cache valley friends. It does not matter much to folks outside of that fine, vale which location is selected for the purpose, so long as the promise of the factory is fulfilled. We hope to hear of its realization speedily.





be generally adopted. LORENZO SNOW,

GEO. Q. CANNON, Salt Lake City, November 17, 1900.

PUT IT DOWN!

The public interest demands a determined effort on the part of the police, to put down and stamp out the lawless spirit which is increasing among the hoodlums in this city. The same influence is manifested in other Utah towns, and it devolves upon the authorities there to deal with it. In Salt Lake the peace officers of the city are under obligation to take it in hand. and they should have the assistance of all citizens who can render any aid in the work.

It seems that the lesson given in the death of one young man while engaging in night rowdylsm, has not had its expected effect. The destruction and rufflanism permited and somewhat condoned on the occasion of halloween, have been repeated since then. The young roughs who take delight in annoying peaceable people, destroying or carrying off movable property, obstructing street cars and committing other acts of vandalism, have been encouraged by the semicommendation of their freaks on that hight.

It is too serious a matter to be troated with humor and apologies. Harmless fun no one wishes to suppress. It is the disregard of law and personal and public rights which is to be condemned and punished. With the class of disturbers now complained of, lecturing has little weight. The law's penalties will have a much more salutary effect than anything else. At the same time the influence of parents and guardians should be brought to beat, to dissuade the youth of our community from indulging in the hoadlumism that disgraces some of them and is a shur on | the city.

The perpetrators of the outrage that nearly caused a fatally on the street. It is hard to realize that it is not horoffered for their apprehension and conviction. That piece of diabolism is only youths who appear entirely disregard. back to the stage of civilization repreful of human life and Hmb.

We believe this evil can be put down, if special policemen without pay are tragedy is the fact that the authorities

'As to the political serfdom of the beople of Utah, I will say that I know from actual experience that no sem-blance of coercion is brought to bear against any one in the exercise of his political privileges. The 'Mormons' are as free to voice their political convic tions as any citizens in the United States.

These are but three paragraphs from an article that takes up about a column and a half solid in the Brooklyn Times, a paper that manifests a spirit of fairness toward the "Mormons," which has called forth encomiums from lovers of justice for several years past.

On the question of the "peril to the nation" from "Mormonism," the Saints Herald, published by the "Reorganized" church, in its issue of November 14, has this paragraph in an article replying to Mr. Cox:

"As to patriotism. Did the Congrega tionalist church, as a church, furnish any troops for the Mexican war? The 'Mormons' did. Did the Congregation alist church, as a church, furnish a contingent of soldiers for the war with Spain? The Utah Church did."

This is a fitting response to the alarms sought to be raised by Mr. Cox, and exhibits a disposition to recognize the loyalty of the Utah "Mormons" to the national government that is gratifying in that journal, which is usually hostile to anything connected with the Church here,

The nation need fear no antagonism from the Latter-day Saints, who form the majority of the population of Utah. They regard the Constitution of our country as a heaven-inspired instrument, designed to secure freedom to the inhabitants of this land, and all laws enacted in conformity therewith as binding upon every citizen. They believe in submission to "the powers that be" until He comes whose right it is to reign on earth. They regard it as a sacred duty to uphold the government under which they live and to bear arms in its defence when necessary. And they look for the extension of its influence over the earth, until all nations rejoice in that civil and religious liberty that will place mankind in their true position before Gad and toward each other, that will bring about universal order, fraternity and freedam. "Mormonism" is not a "peril" to auything beneath the sun but error, superstition, intolerance, usurpation and opprending. It is the evangel and herald of the coming reign of righteousness and peace.

COLORADO'S DISGRACE.

The story of the burning at the stake of the negro bay, by a Colorado mob, reminds one of the scenes of hell so vividly described, at one time, by certain pulpit orators, and spread on canyars by artists with simple faith and unbridled imagination. It is revoltingly suggestive of the pools of burning brinstone, into which the retinue of the fallen archangel were supposed to pitch and toss, with glee, condemned souls.

car line on Tenth East street, ought not rible fiction: that human beings, and to escape justice. We believe they can not incarnate fiends, were the principal be discovered if a suitable reward is actors in the drama, and that it was and in the most enlightened country in one instance of the criminal conduct of the world! Are we gradually drifting sented by the age of Nero?

A most melancholy feature of the appointed in every municipal ward, with were fully aware of the intended crime | Strayss and Renan have as much claim | was on the St. Louis Republic, and then

Protestant Christians. With the "revival of Odinism" in the Scandinavian countries, the author refors, we presume, to the religious tendency originated by Bishop Grundtvig. and which has many open followers. In this country Mr. McSorley points

to the influence of Unitarianism and Universalism upon the Protestant churches. He quotes, by way of illustration, this editorial paragraph from the New York Sun:

Many of the old Unitarian families Roston are now attendants upon iscopal churches. Episcopalians and ltarians may sometimes be seen join in memorial exercises and speaking m the same platform. Unquestion bly the barriers between the different ranches of Protestantism are being roken down, but is not the bammer vith which the work of destruction is

rather agreement in unbelief than fa beliðfi It is difficult to escape the conclusions to which these facts lead. Protestantism in drifting away from divine authority is matters of faith and practice, has been an aid to infidelity. We may not admit that Protestantism Itself is akin to disbelief, but it cannot be denled that it has placed itself on the same level with it. They are standing on the same platform as to authority. When private judgment is supreme,

land in shame for evermon for h knew preparations for this diabolical lynching were being openly made and yet he took no steps to prevent it.

They have had an election in Hawaii but the Republican and Democratic candidates for delegate toCongress were beaten, the Independent Royalist-candi-•date, Mr. Wilcox, being elected, And now there are those in the islands who are raising the cry that the natives are not fit for universal suffrage. What a difference it makes whose ox is gored.

If the chief will detail a few officers to abate the nuisance made by young "bloods," who line-up on the sidewalk when people emerge from the Tabernacle services, and who make vile remarks as young ladies pass, it will be greatly appreciated by dignified citizens who do not like to raise a rumpus by smiting the callow youths in the mouth as they deserve.

The amount received from internal revenue this year was the largest, with one exception, ever received by this government from that source. This is most gratifying, for the government needs all the money it can get. It would not be wise to scale down the taxes too much for a while for the national debt is enormous. Any surplus revenue could be applied most profitably to its reduction. And this is what should be done.

The National Women's Council has been discussing the existence of the social evil in the Philippines. The presence of a large army in Manila has caused it to increase, and it increased so rapidly that, according to a correspondent of an eastern paper (the Outlook if we are not mistaken) the military authorities took cognizance of its existence and attempted its regula. tion by license. The conditions that Edward Atkinson foretold (and for which his pamphlet was taken from the mails) seem to have arisen. Evidently they will bear investigation, and If reports he true, much reformation as

There seems to have been considerable friction between the American and French soldiers at Tien Tsin. In a few cases it has come to personal encounters between soldlers of the two forces This is very much to be regretted on many grounds. It will have a tendency to injure the old historical regard of the two countries for each other. Then, again, the shrewd Chinese cannot fail to note these minor discords and receive incouragement from them, though any hopes they may build on their self-drawn encouragements are doomed to keen disappointment. That there has not been a great deal more friction is the thing to wonder at, not that

The Journalist of Nov. 10 has a front page article, with portrait, of Ada Patterson who has recently returned from a pleasure tour in Europe and to her post on the New York Journal. Miss Patterson once taught district school in this city, and afterwards became society editor on the Salt Lake Herald. But being ambitious to engage in stronger work, she reported the proceedings of the Legislature, and succeeding in that, made an engagement with the San Francisco Call which she filled with honor. Her next position

there has been some.

widely ramified, is discovering facts which it were vain to toss aside as delusions. They have been sufficient to convince men who are eminent in the ormally incredulous ranks of so There would be no mystery, nothing inexplicable or incredible in ready communication between those living in the body and intelligences free from it; or never of it. The mystery, the inexplicaale, has been, and is, on the other hand Why is it that when the curtain of death falls, voices do not interpenetrate it? That is the real mystery and the That is the real mystery and the real privation. It has not always and invariably been so, and there are evidences that It is not invatiably so now. The Watchman. How shall men deal with the Bible? This is a question even more mo-mentous than the prior question, "how shall men deal with the earth, which is also God's gift to the race?" They may conquer the earth in loving sub-jugation, and live thereby—live physic-ally, methetically, intellectually, fra-

lly, aesthetically, intellectually, fra ternally, morally. They may neglect it or abuse it, and suffer loss in every way, even unto death. They may treat the Bible, as Joslah treated his portion of it, with reverence and obedience They may treat it as Josiah's son Je hoiskim treated it, cutting it in pleces with his penknife and casting it into the fire. They may account it of more worth than gold, or they may cast it as the fire. rubhish and refuse. It has been put into man's hands, as the earth has, to deal with as he pleases. He cannot rid himself of it, nor of his dependence upon it, nor of his responsibility for the proper use of it.

The Evangelist.

The time for denominational creedsin the narrow sense-is past, and that the true basis of union for the Chris-tian church of the future cannot be any arrower than the Christianity which seeks to promote. As Calvinists, we bject to making Calvinism a necessary ondition of ministerial standing in the resbyterian church. Excellent though be-and, in our judgment, no human ystem has thus far surpassed it-Cal-inism is but a human interpretation of the Gospel. To look upon it as a finality for all time is to be guilty of a narrowness which the authors of our confession would have been the first to repudlate.

The Outlook.

"You should make a choice between Kink Jesus and the Constitution of the United States." These were the clos-ing words of a sermon by the Rev. Dr. Foster, pastor of the Third Reformed Presbyterian church, New York City, on Sunday, October 28. Dr. Foster explained why Covenanters can not support the United States Constitution, source of authority.

and, therefore, why they can not vote next week. It is not through any lack of interest in the government, nor is it because of what is or what is not in party platforms. The Covenanter rejects the fundamental principle upon which our constitution rests, namely, that "we, the people," claim to be the NEW GRAND THEATRE, M. E. MULVEY, MANAGER.



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