

Correspondence.

OMAHA, NEBRASKA, Aug. 18, '69.

President Brigham Young:

Dear Brother:—By advice of Elder Wm. C. Staines, I have notified all the Saints in my field of labor, who can possibly emigrate this season, to accompany me home, with the next company from Great Britain, said to be due at New York on or about the 6th of September.

I have been assisting Bro. Staines in the emigration at Omaha. So far everything works well. Brother Dusenberry conducts the companies through from New York to Omaha, and can do all in future that is required here, when he comes up with each company, thus liberating me to go home with the Saints, as above stated.

Brother Dusenberry says that the railroad men all along the route of travel are disposed to do what is right by our emigrants. At this point C. G. Hammond, Gen. Supt., U. P. R. R., and Mr. Clark, Superintendent of the Platte division of the railroad, are doing all in their power to make our people comfortable, and to speed them on their journey to Utah.

The mission in the United States, in my opinion, is like the gleanings of grapes when the vintage is over. The Elders who are laboring for the salvation of souls enjoy the spirit of their calling; they find here and there in their travels a cluster of honest souls, who receive the word of God with gladness, and are gathering to the home of the Saints as fast as circumstances will admit of their doing so. But as a general thing, our labors in the States remind me of preaching in the streets of a large city to a traveling congregation. We labor unheard and unheeded by the great masses of the people whose minds are all absorbed by the cares of life, and the vanities and frivolities of the world, without any fixed aim of Heaven, like driftwood floating on an ever-flowing stream. Some pause to inquire what we believe in, and while we are endeavoring to lay before them the plan of salvation, they hurry on in pursuit of some bauble in the prospective that ever eludes their grasp, but is ever before them, like a phantom, luring its victims on from disappointment to disappointment, until death closes the scene.

There is another class who pause to inquire, with an air of affected piety, (very befitting their character and calling,) whether there is any money to be made in "Mormonism." They find no fault with our religion, and would willingly join the Church if they could do a lucrative business in Utah at their respective callings. The most of these are doctors, lawyers and merchants, (ministers seldom enquire, knowing that our Elders travel without purse or scrip.) I have received, since I came on this mission, an unlimited number of letters from this class, interrogating me what they should do to be saved, in case that they became members of our Church. I tell them to go to work, plow, chop wood in the canyon, drive a team, or anything to get an honest living. They almost all turn away very sorrowfully.

There is another class of honorable men, who wish to accord to us the right to worship God agreeable to the dictates of our consciences. They freely admit that we have the best governed community in the United States; that our people are the most industrious—the most united, and that our social system comes up to the 'highest moral standard; and, say they, 'if you Mormons would only do away with plural marriage and return to monogamy, in a short time you would rank the first among the States and Territories of this great Republic.' I answer, were we to adopt your social system, we would have to descend to where you are in social degeneracy; that we can never do, without abandoning our religion, which has made us all you admire in "Mormonism," and lifts woman to her highest social and moral calling, to be the help-mate of her husband, the honored wife and mother of legitimate children.

Religious bigots belonging to stereotyped dogmas still cry, "Delusion," and propose mobbing us, as the strongest argument to put down "Mormonism;" but, as a general thing, the people are becoming more liberal, and that wicked spirit of persecution, so rampant in the States twenty years ago, is giving way and we are allowed the freedom of speech accorded to all other denominations, in many places, especially in the rural districts; but in the large cities wickedness is on the increase, the people are fast degenerating. As

in the days of Noah, so it is now. But, notwithstanding this state of things, we have found many honest souls who received the truth into good and honest hearts, obeyed the requirements of the gospel, and can bear testimonies for themselves that the work is of God.

The elders are laboring at present throughout the mission as follows:

Elders David Holliday and Mathews are doing a good work in Alabama. Elder T. B. Lewis is laboring in Virginia. Elder Riggs was laboring with him at last accounts; but I understand President Brown released him to return home. Elders Dix and Church are laboring in North Carolina to advantage. Elder J. W. Crosby, jr., is on his way home with a small company from Georgia; I expect to hear from him every day. Elder A. Baird called on me at St. Louis. I saw him off to Memphis, Tennessee. He carried with him the spirit of his calling and will do a good work if he continues in communion with God. Elders George Mosser and Rudey are laboring in Pennsylvania, where there are two branches of the Church, the one in Pittsville and the other in Hyde Park. Elders Israel Evans and Nymphus C. Murdock are laboring in Iowa, where they find many friends and a few brethren rejoicing in the truth. Elder J. W. Thurmond writes me from Heart county. He is now about to return home with his mother and family. Elder W. G. Gofforth, who has been in business in Illinois, is coming up the river from St. Louis with two families from Indiana; I expect them here to-morrow.

There are a few faithful Saints left in St. Louis who cannot possibly get away this season. I have appointed Thomas Harris to preside. He is an energetic man and is capable of doing a great deal of good, if he will continue to seek first the kingdom of God, which I verily believe he will do.

I have instructed the elders to report progress in their respective fields of labor to you hereafter, as I am returning home agreeable to your wish, a privilege I esteem very highly. Since I left home I have enjoyed the best of health, have always had friends, and means to defray my expenses, and the preserving care of Heaven to protect me from harm by day and by night.

In all my travels from Ogden to North Carolina and thus far back, I feel amply rewarded for all my labors, and I pray God to bless all who have kindly administered to my comforts while on my mission, and for what little good I have done, in conjunction with my brethren, to my Father in Heaven all the honor is due.

With love to yourself and Counsel and all associated with you in the Holy Priesthood, to my fellow-laborers in the ministry, to all the faithful at home and abroad, I subscribe as ever

Your friend and brother in the gospel covenant,  
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NOTICE!

In the Supreme Court for the District of Utah.

In the matter of HENRY W. NAISBITT and JOHN HINDLEY, Partners, under the firm name of NAISBITT & HINDLEY, Bankrupts. In Bankruptcy.

District of Utah, [33

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That a Warrant in Bankruptcy has been issued by said Court against the Estate of Henry W. Naisbitt and John Hindley, firm of Naisbitt & Hindley, in the County of Salt Lake and Territory of Utah, in said District, who have been adjudged Bankrupts upon the Petition of N. Kountz, creditor of said Bankrupts; and that the payment of any debts and the delivery of any property belonging to said Bankrupts, to them, or for their use, and the transfer of any property by them, are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the Creditors of the said Bankrupts, to prove their debts, and to choose one or more assignees of their Estates, will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be held at Salt Lake City, in said District, on the 4th day of September, A.D. 1869, at 10 o'clock, a.m., at the office of R. H. Robertson, Esq., Register in Bankruptcy of said Court.

JOSIAH HOSMER,  
U.S. Marshal and Messenger in Bankruptcy  
By Wm. P. APPLEBY, Deputy.  
Salt Lake City, August 2, 1869.

NOTICE!

In the Supreme Court for the District of Utah.

In the Matter of HENRY L. SOUTHWORTH, Bankrupt. In Bankruptcy.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to an order made by said Court in the matter of H. L. Southworth, a Bankrupt, on the 26th day of July, A.D. 1869, a hearing will be had upon the petition of said Bankrupt, heretofore filed in said Court, praying for his discharge from all his debts and liabilities, proveable under the Act of Congress, entitled "An Act to establish a uniform system of Bankruptcy throughout the United States," approved March 2nd, 1867, and for a certificate thereof before said Court, on the 28th day of August, A.D. 1869, at 10 o'clock a.m., at the United States Court Rooms in Salt Lake City, at which time and place any Creditor of said Bankrupt, or any other person in interest, may appear and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said Petition should not be granted.

W. I. APPLEBY,  
Clerk of said Court in Bankruptcy.  
Salt Lake City, July 26, 1869. w26 4

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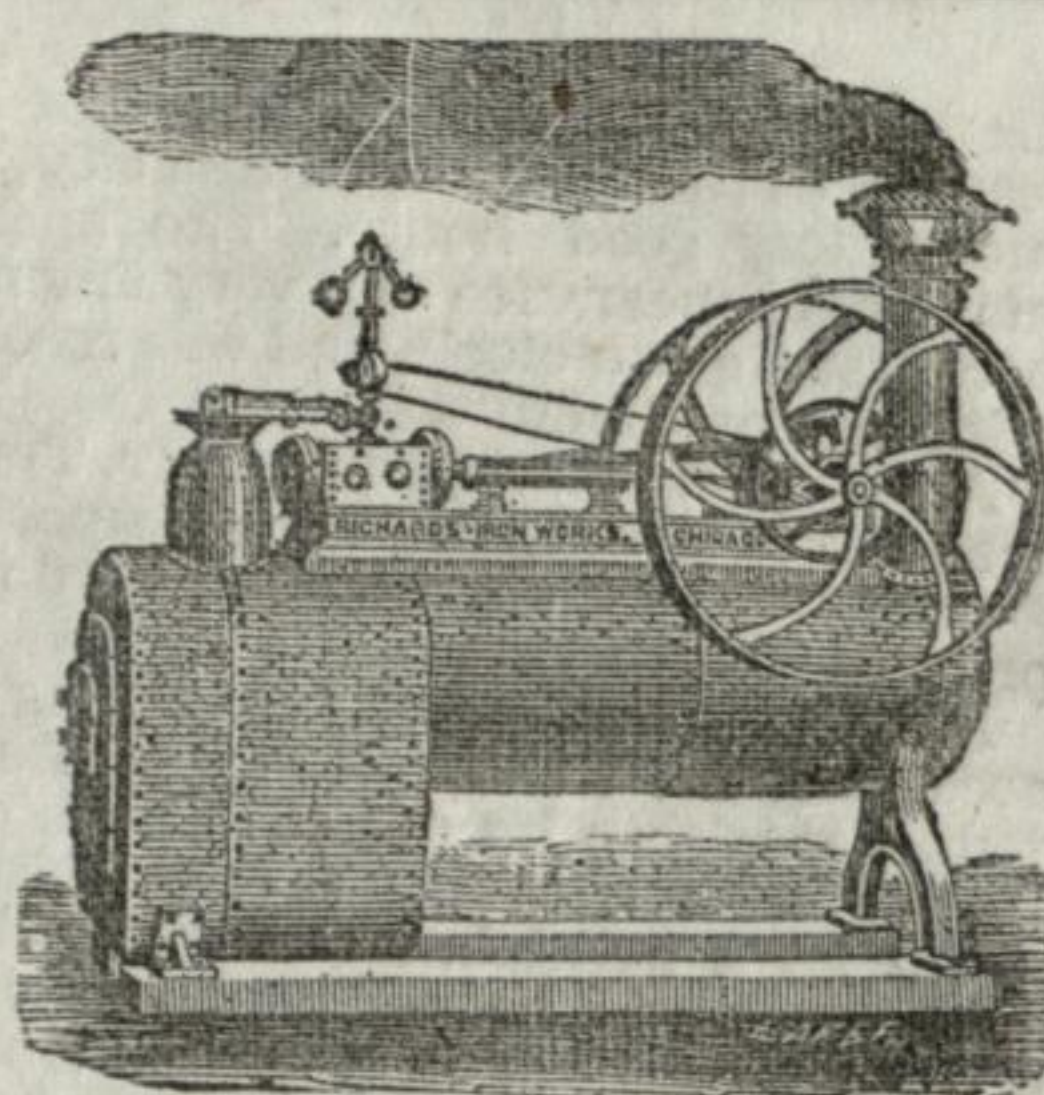
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NOTICE.

IS HEREBY GIVEN, that I, CYRUS SANFORD, Mayor of Springville City, did on the (20) twentieth day of May, A. D. 1869, enter in the Land Office, Salt Lake City, U. T. for the use and benefit of the citizens of Springville City, U. T. the following described land, to wit:—

The whole of Section (33) thirty-three, township No (7) seven, south range (3) three east, also lots (1, 2, 3, 4), one, two, three, four, of Section No. (4) four, in township (8) eight south, in range (3) three east, containing 800 42,100 acres.

Any person or persons, having claims in the above survey of land, will file the same with the Clerk of the County Court for Utah County, as prescribed by law.

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CYRUS SANFORD,  
Mayor of Springville, U. T.