

**"Mormon" teachers** are excluded from the District Schools, because they are not in the Church. This is a fact, and the ground, being demolished by the mere fact that non-"Mormon" teachers have been and are now employed in the common schools. If such a situation exists, the "Mormon" teachers, who are not in the Church, are not to be employed. The fact of the preponderance of "Mormon" teachers is explained by the fact of members of the Church being overwhelmingly the majority. The prosecution did not confine themselves to the school question in their efforts to show that an absolutism exists. The attempt was also made to exhibit a similar situation politically. It has been consistently asserted that the nominations for office in the People's Party are dictated by the Priesthood and the people are bound to sustain their bidders. Yet that members of the Church have on many occasions been elected to office is a matter of notoriety, and the bidders, including those who have run for office on opposition tickets, are still members of the Church, some of them Missionaries and holding other positions of responsibility in it, and have been subsequently selected for political positions of trust, honor and emolument by the People's Party.

We take the liberty of citing those who should so much about "Mormon" Church control, recognized by the sermon of Bishop Spaulding, of Peoria, Illinois, delivered recently at the Roman Catholic Plenary Council at Baltimore, in which he claimed for the church, authority in temporal as well as spiritual matters, and placed in the order in which allegiance should be given by the citizen as "First, the Church; second, the family, third, the State." Yet not a howl was raised from any quarter of the land against this extraordinary claim.

The assertions so frequently made that the "Mormons" are under an absolutism of democracy, the fact of their extraordinary unity, which is not an outgrowth of an existing tyranny, but of an intelligent understanding of correct principles. Nothing would more effectively break this phenomenal unanimity than the court that is falsely claimed to obtain. Any attempt to exercise tyrannical control over them and deprive them of their freedom would make quick work in the demolition of the admirable harmony that prevails in the community.

# OFFICIAL CONTRADICTION.

There is an old saw to the effect that "he will travel ten leagues while truth is putting on his boots," which is exemplified almost daily in the lies which are circulated about the "Mormons." As a rule, newspaper men seize with avidity and do their best to circulate anything that is unfavorable to the "Mormons" (which, by the way, almost invariably happens to be that which is untrue), but they are very loath indeed to publish anything in their favor, or in other words the truth about them. An example will serve to illustrate this.

On the arrival of a company of "Mormon" emigrants in New York in November last the New York *Times* published a sensational story about a young girl named Lavina Coombs, who had been rescued from the "Mormons" through the efforts of friends, and about certain violent efforts being made by the Elders who accompanied the company to compel her to go along with them; as well as scandalous statements about those same Elders drinking, card-playing, etc., on the voyage from Liverpool to New York. Not only was this scandalous story copied extensively by American newspapers, and in many instances, diluted upon, but the English papers also took it up and made the most of it, some even going so far in the matter as to call for governmental interference to prevent the "Mormons" from capturing and forcibly taking away the young women of Great Britain. Nor was this all for the story served as a pretext for anti-"Mormon" lectures to issue sensational placards and call public meetings with a view to arousing the popular indignation and having the "Mormons" driven out of England.

"Previous to this," it was stated, "how utterly hopeless would be the task of getting a contradiction of this statement circulated as extensively as it was." Probably not one paper in twenty that published the original story would admit a refutation of it in its columns, and yet the original story contained but one atom of truth, and that was, that such a girl left the company of "Mormon" emigrants in New York. It was a matter of no particular concern to the company or the Elders in charge that she did so, for she was not a member of the faith, and she felt no special interest in her emigrating to Utah.

The fact that Miss Coombs found "Mormon"-baiting passengers on board the boat while crossing the Atlantic and yielded to their persuasions to remain in New York instead of proceeding to Utah did not surprise those who knew her. She had several months previously shown that she had no mind of her own by yielding to the persuasions of a sectarian minister and quitting her foster-mother when they were about to embark upon the cars at Stockport to emigrate to Utah. Upon that occasion her foster-mother had only been gone a few days, when the girl returned and applied to the "Mormon" Elders in that region to know if they could not assist her to emigrate to Utah, and it was at her solicitation that the lady who had reared her and had proved as kind as any real mother could to her, subsequently sent means from Utah to Liverpool to pay for her emigration. If she has not already changed her mind and again wished herself in Utah, she probably soon will do so, and we shall not be surprised to learn of this poor vacillating piece of humanity petitioning again for help to come out here.

Our attention has been called to this subject now by reading in a late number of the *Standard* the following report, and which, coming as it does from the chief officers of the steppage upon which the company crossed the ocean, ought to satisfy even the most prejudiced that the charges made against the Elders were false:

S. S. ARIZONA, Dec. 6, 1884.

"We hereby certify that the statement recently published in the New York *Times*, and extensively copied in English papers, in regard to an influence being exercised by the 'Mormons' on the steamship *Arizona*, to take Miss Lavina Coombs to Utah against her will, is false. No violence, nor show of violence, was used by any 'Mormon' with Miss Coombs or anyone else."

"We understand that Miss Coombs was not a member of the 'Mormon' church, but was going out at her own request for her foster-mother, who is a 'Mormon,' and who had sent the means for her emigration."

"The story about the Elders smoking, drinking, card-playing and taking improper liberties with the passengers, is false in every particular."

SAMUEL BROOKS, Commander.  
G. E. HAMMILL, Purser.

# A NEW MISSIONARY FIELD.

The Latter-day Saints are devout believers in the words of the Savior that "This Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness, and then shall the end come." They not only look for the fulfillment of this

prediction, but they hold themselves in readiness to assist in its fulfillment, and never falter though they are required to undergo great trials and privations in their efforts to spread the Gospel as the Apostles of old were subjected to. The prospect of hunger, or cold, or persecution, or imprisonment, or even death does not prevent them from doing their duty in this respect, for they feel as Paul said he did: "Necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me if I preach not the Gospel!" They hail with pleasure the prospect of any new field for missionary labor being opened, for they have a longing desire that "every nation, kindred, tongue and people" may have the privilege of hearing the Gospel. It will therefore prove encouraging to them to learn that an effort is about to be made to introduce the Gospel into Turkey.

President John Henry Smith, of the European Mission, has for some months past been in communication with an intelligent gentleman, Constantine, who has been investigating our doctrines and has become satisfied of the truth of them. This gentleman thinks there is a good opening there for establishing a mission, and with this view, Elder John Jacob Spaulding and George C. Nangle, of the German Mission, have been appointed by President Smith to go there. We shall watch with interest for further developments in connection with this missionary field.

# BY TELEGRAPH.

PER WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH LINE.

# AMERICAN.

# LATEST BY LIGHTNING.

# Stocks.

NEW YORK, 8.—3½; 4½; 12½; 4½; 2½; Pacific 6's 24; Central Pacific 17½; Burlington 17½; Northern Pacific 17½; preferred 16; North western 16; York Central, 88½; Oregon Navigation 51; Trans-Continental 13½; Pacific Mail 52½; Hanania 18; St. Louis and San Francisco 19; Texas Pacific 13½; Union Pacific 47½; Fargo Express 44; Western Union 36½.

Report of the Southern Commission. NEW YORK, 8.—The commission to the Central and South American States has presented its report to the President. It recites the manner in which it performed its duties in order to secure more intimate commercial relations between the United States and the several countries of Central and South America. The commission states that there was no direct regular direct steam communication.

Second—Commercial treaties and reciprocal concessions and tariff duties.

Third—A simplification and modification of the customs regulations of Central and South American countries.

Fourth—Increase and improvement of the regular service.

Fifth—The establishment of American mercantile houses in Central and South America.

Sixth—More intimate knowledge among American manufacturers of the wants of the people of Central and South America.

Seventh—A system of banking connection between the United States and the several countries of Central and South America.

Eighth—More liberal credits by our merchants.

Ninth—The introduction of the bonded warehouse system in those countries.

With reference to the fourth proposition the commission says: It has been urged with much force to recommend the establishment of a new executive department of the government, similar to the board of trade of England, with a member of the cabinet for its head, to which should be committed the care and arrangement of our foreign commerce. In this department would be concentrated the powers of the government in watching, protecting and promoting the commercial interests of the country in foreign markets, an agency such as that under whose guidance and encouragement the great commerce of Great Britain has grown up.

# Burned to Death in Jail.

GALVESTON, TEXAS, 8.—The Fredrickburg, Texas County jail, was burned yesterday, and a prisoner named Allison burned to death.

# Terrific Earthquake Shocks at Sea.

—Thunderous Submarine Roaring. ST. JOHNS, N. F.—The British bark *Isabel*, from Cape Breton, reports passing a large Norwegian bark on the 20th ult. The name of the bark was the *Albatross*, of Arendal. No vestige of the crew was found. Two days previous the *Isabel* experienced terrific earthquake shocks, lasting 15 minutes. The thunderous submarine roaring was appalling. The ship was shaken in every part, and the crew paralyzed with fear, and broke through all discipline and order, and the vessel was thrown on her side. The shocks restored tranquility on board. It was calm and blue at the time.

# FOREIGN.

# LATEST TRANS-ATLANTIC DISPATCHES.

# More Earthquakes in Spain.

MADRID, 8.—Fresh earthquake shocks were felt yesterday at Nerja and Velasco.

# Elected.

PANAMA, via Galveston, 8.—General S. B. Hawley, Vice President of the State of Panama, was elected President of the State of Panama, and was duly installed in his office.

# Prince Albert Victor Attains his Majority.

LONDON, 8.—Prince Albert Victor, of Wales, his presumptive heir to the British throne, attained his majority to-day, according to the provisions of the Act of Union, and he was proclaimed in the presence of rejoicings throughout the country. In London the day opened with the ringing of bells, and the booming of cannon, and the firing of guns. The University of Cambridge sent an address of congratulation to the young Prince.

# BUSINESS NOTICES.

# WANTED.

People who wish to have their teeth fitted up, repaired, castings made, or any sort of jobbing in iron and brass. John M. Smith, whose shop is close to the 7th Ward school-house, attends to all kinds of work in that line at cheap rates.

Mr. Walter Cooper, the Confectioner and dealer in Fruit Candy, etc., has removed from his stand south of Little Lake to the new stand, where he will be found prepared to supply those who desire anything in his line, at lowest cash prices.

# ENGAGEMENT EXTRAORDINARY.

At the Pavilion Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights, 7th, 8th and 9th wards, one Bicycle Wonder, W. W. Wilnot, the acknowledged king of all riders, who in his wonderful performances accomplishes feats of balancing while running, puts the law of gravitation at defiance. Come and be convinced.

# Grand Democratic Meeting.

Anniversary of Battle of New Orleans, Salt Lake Palace, January 28, 1885. Speeches by representative Democrats. All are invited; meeting commencing at 7:30. All seats free. Half fare rates on U. C. R. and D. & R. G. from 7th to 9th. dtd

# ENDLESS VARIETY.

Of endless things in different colors at C. J. GUSTAVSON'S. Costs nothing. dtd

On January 1st the favorite Pleasant Valley Coal, mined by the Utah Coal & Coke Co., will again be found at our store, and we can then offer to the people of Salt Lake and vicinity the choice of the following well known coals: Rock Springs, Pleasant Valley, and the best of the West.

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**When Dinner was a Failure.**  
The very best dinner is of no account to a man who has no appetite for food. Mr. Edgar W. Young, of Point Salt Lake, was troubled with indigestion, loss of appetite and loss of energy. He tried many medicines and several physicians, but he was in vain until a physician told him to try Brown's Cherry Pectoral. This had the desired effect, and he can now eat heartily and do his work with vigor. Take the hint, if you want to enjoy your dinner.

**THOUSANDS SAY SO.**  
Mr. T. W. Atkins, Girard, Kan., writes: "I never hesitate to recommend your Cherry Pectoral to my customers, they give entire satisfaction and cure all kinds of coughs, colds, croup and liver complaints. Purify the blood and regulate the bowels. No family can afford to be without them. I have sold hundreds of dollars in your Cherry Pectoral every year. Sold at fifty cents a bottle by Z. C. M. I. Drug Store."

# MARRIAGES.

LAMPH-SHARROCK-At Logan, Jan. 7th, 1885, Mr. Richard Lamph and Miss Nellie Sharrock, both of this city. The worthy young couple will take up their residence at the 18th Ward. We and many mercenary friends in best wishes for their welfare.

# DEATHS.

Times-At Park City, Summit County, January 6th, 1885, of convulsions, Eugene son of John and Sarah Ann Timms, born May 14th, 1883, at Park City.

The funeral will be conducted at the residence of Mrs. Lamph, 18th Ward, to be held on January 9th, at 2 p.m. Friends of the family are invited.

RAND-At Lowestoft, Norfolk, England, December 7th, 1884, Mary Ann Rand, widow of the late Captain John B. Rand. She was a dutiful wife and the mother of 12 children, nine of whom are now living and two of whom embraced the gospel and gathered to Zion.

—Sister Rand was born at Withersdale, Norfolk, England, 1802, and was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints by Elder John R. Packham, and confirmed by Elder Samuel Neale, Nov. 15, 1850. She was proven true to her covenants to the end. The Elders have ever met with a welcome at her home. She will be missed by a large circle of relatives and friends. She died at her home, 18th Ward, on December 7th, 1884, at the age of 82 years, 7 months and 4 days.

REYNOLDS-At South Cuthamwood, Devonshire, 18th, of typhoid fever, John W. son of William P. and Edna M. Reynolds, aged 2 years, 7 months and 4 days.

—The funeral will be held at the residence of Mrs. Reynolds, 18th Ward, on January 10th, at 2 p.m. Friends of the family are invited.

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