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REPORTED BY DAVID W. EVANS.

Short sermons are very frequently interesting, if the speaker can say what he wishes to say from the time he commences to speak until the end. But most of us who are public speakers labor under timidity, and experience that lack of the governing and controlling principle which prevents our doing this. I notice this in almost every public speaker I hear. It is seldom that a speaker can arise and deliver his thoughts and reflectious readily, unless his speech and subject have been studied and fixed previously. For my part, as far as my public speaking is concerned, I do not know that I ever troubled myself t take thought beforehand of what I should say. There have usen times in my life that I have been led to lecture on certain principles, and on such occasions my mind would be confined to those principles alone, consequently my subject would be before me more immediately. But upon rising to address the people I trust in Him from whom we all derive the power o' thought and reflection, and I strive to express my refl-ctions acceptably to God and to my hearers.

The gospel, whose principles we have been hearing about this morning, is the gospel that every Christian professes to belleve in. I do not know of a Christian but what will admit that the Bible is true then where is the difference between the Latter-day Saints and the various Christian sects that dwell on the earth? The difference is that we believe just enough to obey; while they believe just enough to acknowledge but not to obey.

If there be one principle in this gospel that we preach that is not perfectly true we would like some divine to make us acquainted with the fact; and prove by principles of true philosophy wherein it is not true, or wherein it is injurious to those who believe it. We believe that every principle that God has revealed to the children of men is strictly true, and absolutery beneficial to the life of every intelligent being that dwells upon the whole earth. We have come to this conclusion, for we have tried to learn and understand and to carry out in our lives the principles of the gospel that we believe in, and if we sum them up, in a few words, we might, with the strictest propriety, use the words of one anciently, and say that the gospel "is peace on earth and good will to men." We can also say truly that this is eternal life to know the only wise God and Jesus Christ whom He has seut. But when we examine the faith and acknowledgements of the Christian world we find that, with II their professions, they are lovolved in midnight darkness concerning the true sature and character of God. Is there a divine on the facof the whole earth who can give you or me any description of the Being that the whole Christian world worship as God? There is not. Where is the proof of this assertion? I am a witness; their writings are witnesses; tueir sermous are witnesses; their declarations are witnesses. Yet this book, the Bible, portrays the character of God, the Father of our spirits, and the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Curiat, just as clearly as any work ever written by mau portrays the shape, nature, construction and constitution of the human frame. It this is so why do not the Christian world believe in it? The Latter-day Saints do believe enough of it to try and carry it out in their practice. What do we believe about the faith that Jesus revealed? He said a great deal with regard to life and salvation. His apostles wrote and taught after Him, and the gospel was among the children of men from the days of Adam until the coming of the Messiah: this goapel of Christ is from the beginning to the end. Then why was the law of Moses given? Just answer the question! In consequence of the disobedience of the children of Israel, the elect of God; the very seed that He had solected to be His people, and upon whom He said He would place His name. This seed of Abraham so rebelled against Him and His commands that the Lord said to Moses "I will give you a law which shall be a schoolmaster to bring them to Christ." But this law is grievous; it is a law of carnal commandments. Still it will be hard for any divine that now lives to draw the line betweed the law of carnal commandments and the law of divine commandments. 1 have not seen them who can do it. I ask what is the nature of our religion? Wby, it is "peace on earch and good will to men" in every particular; and if its precepts be observed it will fill society with peace. joy, wealth, beauty and excellence; it lifts man above the things of earth, gives him the philosophy of eternity and shows the works of God in all their glory and magnitude, and leads the mind of the creature to admire and worship the Creator. Is this

perfect, that he has no errors, would say God, the Savior of the world." Is it good Iv, to dictate and control scholars at school, to rule, govern and control an individual, I have never found an error. t at we are called fanatics. Bless me! That natic who has discovered anything new in philosophy or science. We have all read of Galileo the astronomer who, conthe centre of our planetary system? For this the learned astronomer was called science and philosophy which have been and the opposition they have encoun-How was it with Dr. Morse, when shut up stretched round the room, experimenting ne not considered a fanatic, and wild, and erazy? Certainly he was; and so it was with Robert Fulton, when he was conducting his experiments with steam and endeavoring to apply it so as to propel a have been denounced as fanatics and crazy; and it has been declared by their cotempo-

raries that they did not know what they g-nerality of the people now think George" F ancis Train to be.

and zealous they may be, they may reason or argue on false premises till doomsday. and the result will be false. If our religion is of this character we want to know it; we any addition to your joy and peace here on would like to find a philosopher who can the earth?" You and I are looking for this would like to find a philosopher who can prove it to us. We are called ignorant; so day. Let me ask the poor miserable aposwe are: but what of it? Are not all ignorant? I rather think so. Who can tell us Do you not think that will be one-man of the inhabitants of this little planet that power? I reckon it will. That is what shines of an evening, called the moon? leading men everywhere are after now, not when we view its face we may see what is termed "the man in the moon," and, what they are all scrambling after it, and they some ; hilosophers declare are, the shadows are mad because they can not get it. of mountains. But these sayings are very vague, and amount to nothing; and when you inquire about the inhabitants of that as ignorant in regard to them as the most ignoraut of their fellows. So it is with regard to the inhabitants of the sun. Do you think it is inhabited? I rather think it is. Do you think there is any life there? No question of it; it was not made in vain. It was made to give light to those who dwell upon it, and to other planets; and so will this earth when it is celes ialized. Every planet in its first rude, organic state receives not the glory of God upon it, but is opaque: but when celestialized, every placet that God brings into existence is a body of light, but not till then. Christ is the light of this planet. God gives light to our eyes. Did you ever think who gave you the power of scelug? who organized these little globules in our beads, and formed the nerves running to the brain, and gave us the power of distinguishing a circle from a -quare, an upright from a level, large rom small, white from black, brown rom gray and so on? Did you acquire this faculty by your own power? Did any of you impart this power to me or I to you? Not at all. Then where did we get it from? From a superior Being. When I think of these few little things with regard to the organization of the earth and the people of the earth, how curious and sn gular it is! And yet how harmonious and beautiful are Nature's laws! And the work of God goes forward, and who can hinder it, or who can stay His hand now that He has commenced His Kingdom? This brings us right back to this gospel. God has commenced His Kingdom on the earth. How intricate it is, and how difficult for a man to understand if he be not enlightened by the Spirit of God! How can we understand it? O, we have nothing to Amen. do but to humble ourselves and get the spirit of the Lord by being born of the water ard of the spirit; then we can enter into it. How is it if we are not born of the spirit? Can the natural man behold the things of God? He can not, for they are discerned spiritually,-by the spirit of the Almighty, and if we have not this spirit within the we cannot understand the things of God. But the most simple thing in the world to understand is the work of the Lord. What shall we do? Divest ourselves I great, big "Mr. L"Let him fail at the feet of good sound reason. What next? Humble ourseives before the Lord and receive the truth as He has revealed it, then we will be born of the spirit. Then if we wish further blessings, be born of the water; then, laying on of hands for the reception of the Holy Ghost; and if we wish still further blessings live by every word that proceeds out of His mouth, that is spoken from the beavens, then things will be brought to our remembrance by the Comforter that Jesus promised His disciple, which should show them things past, present and to come. This is the gospel as we believe it. Is there any harm in it? Not the least in the world. Should we not obey it? We should. Should we not obey the requirements of Heaven? Certainly we should. Would it be the least injurious to the human family to have the man Christ Jesus to rule over them? Not at all; but on the contrary fi would fill them with peace, joy, love, kind-ness and intelligence. Would the princi-ples of the gospel, if obeyed, teach us to control ourselves? They would. They will teach men and women to govern and control their own passions. You very frequently hear it said "Such a man or woman has too much temper." This is a mistaken idea. No person on earth has too much of this article. But de we not fre-

certainly, you never require anything that perfect, that he has no errors, would say that he is divine, -- a God or an holy angel. But we are in a world of sin and darkness, a world that knows not God; in a world where error dwells and reigns supreme. 'Now," said I, "remember this. The doo-trine that we preach is from God; this doo-trine is pure and holy; it is without spot or b emish; at d it is the doctrine of the Son of God the Satior of the world." Is it good Could the spirit of error, hatred and wickfor man here? Certainly it is,-the best that can be given to any beings on the earth; to organize a society, to rule a fami-and humble spirit of the Lord Jesus. If an individual is filled with that, it makes him a perfect monarch over himself, and it a community, a nation or kingdom, it is will give him influence over all who will delivered in the Tabernacle, Salt Lake the very best code of principles and laws hearken to his counsel. What a pity over delivered to the children of men. In it would be, in the estimation of the all my researches into the doctrine of Jesus, wicked and corrupt, if any man on the It has been observed here this morning Suppose that Napoleon, for instance, was actually filled, with the power of God to is nothing. Who has not been called a fa-matic who has discovered anything new would love him as much as a childever loved a parent, because they knew every word he uttered was full of wisdom and would protrary to the system of astronomy that had duce health, wealth, joy and peace among been received for ages before his day, all classes; would elevate the suffering taught that the sun, and not the earth was poor,-those in need and distress, fill them with knowledge and wisdom and give them merable smaller fights impossible to rethe good things of life, why, there would "fanathe" and subjected to persecution and imprisonment of the most rigorous charac-ter. So it has been with others who have discovered and explained new truths in him be a devil and sule with an iron rod a tyrant's hand, and take off heads every in opposition to long established theories; day by the score or hundred and there would not be a word said against him! Let or d has endured until the truth of the good I have referred to be brought their discoveries have demonstrated about, as it would be, under the rule and The battle of Dennewitz is, moreover; by time. The term "fanatic" is not government of Heaven, and the ruler would the most glorious victory of this cenapplied to professors of religion only. be called a tyrant. But this is the way to rule, tury. Forty thousand Pru sians under no matter what the inhabitants, and the wise in the attic of an old building in Baltimore men and philosophers of the earth think; for more than a year, with a little wire and the time will come when this earth will be revolutionized by these principles and when through their influence war, disupon it with his battery, he told a friend and when through their influence war, dis-that by means of that he could sit there sension, hatred, malice, and perscution and talk to Congress in Washington? Was will cease among the children of men and when there will be a universal reign of peace and righteousness. Suppose we live believe; Arcus-sur Aube, March 20th, to see it! We shall all be of heart and one and Paris, March 30th; then the enmind, shall we not? I will here ask, for my own satisfaction, what will you do, vessel through the water. And all great Mr. Politician, when there is no division liscoverers in art, science, or mechanism at the polis, but when the cry will be, from one end of the earth to the other, "we want one man only, but the best that can be found for this office; this is the only man we want?" Your occupation will be gone at Leon, Etoges and Montmirail, in the were saying, and they were thought to be dunost as wild and incoherent as the thought to be about that time. Will there be wars in first victoriously, in the two latter they were beaten. In 1815 there were two those days? No, they will be done away. Any contentions then? No, all will be battles, Ligney and Waterloo, and two peace. Bickering and strife will have engagements at Quatrebras and Wavre, I will tell you who the real fanatics are: peace. Bickering and strife will have engagements at Quatrebras and Wavre, they are they who adopt false principles passed away, and a better spirit will have besides the smaller fights. Of the end of the minds of the people. The provides the smaller fights and the people of the people. and ideas as facts, and try to establish a taken possession of the minds of the people, the Prussians fought alone at Ligney superstructure upon a false foundation. They are the fanatics; and however ardent and zealous they may be, they may reason you? Brother, how can I do you good? or Sister, can I add to your comfort, or make

tate, the hater of God and righteousness. only in this country, but in every other;

I think I will take the liberty of relating a little circumstance, which was related to me; whether it is a fact or not I cannot say. -phere you find that the most learned are Some of our good government officers here inquired of a man from the Southern part of the Territory: "Do you know Brigham?" Yes, I know him very well." "Do you not know that he is trying to influence the election?" "No, I never heard anything about it." "Can't you make oath that he has always guided and influenced the elections in this Territory?" The man said "No, I am not well enough acquainted with him nor with politics to know any-thing about it." I laughed heartily inside at the poor miserable fools when I heard this. Why, yes, I would govern and control the elections of the earth if I desired to and could; certainly I would, and help yourselves the best way you can! Bless my heart who don't do it? The poor creatures! Isn't that what they are after? Would not they do it if they could? I can govern and control the Latter-day Saints, not by the iron hand, but by the principles of true government,-the principles of our religion, which, in their very nature, are bound to make those who will be guided by them healthy, wealthy and wise. I think we are doing our best at it; and I also think that we will go on and he successful in this good work in spite of earth and hell. I say God speed everybody that is for freedom and equal rights! I am with you. Whom do we want to fill our public offices? We want the best men that we can find for governor, president and statesmen and for every other office of trust and responsi-bility; and when we have obtained them, we will pray for them and give them our faith and influence to to do the will of God and to preserve themselves and the people in truth and righteousness. I have talked as long as time will allow. God bless you,

imperfect. To say that a human being is They feel and say, "Yes, father, or husband, CAN PRUSSIANS WHIP FRENCHMEN.

Daniel Roemer, says:

"There were ten great battles in 1812, namely: Luizio, May 2nd; Banizen, May 20th and 21st; Lucknau, June 3rd; Gross Beeren, August, 26th and 27th; Kuim, August 30th; Dennewitz, Sep-tember 9th; Leipzig, October 16th, 18th and 19th; Hanau, October 29th and 39th. besides the engagement of Wartenberg, October 3d; the combat of Mockern, near Madgeburg, April 5th, not to be con-founded with the battle of Moekern, October 16th, which formed an episode in the battle of Leipzig. The combats of Kongiswarthe and Weissig, May 18th; the combat near Weimer, between Tetienborn and Le Fevre Decrouettes, whose date I have forgotten, and innumember.

The only battles in which Prussians alone, without being encumbered by Russians or Austrians, fought the French were Lucknau, Gross-Beeren, Katzbach and Deonewitz, and the engagement of Wartenberg, in all five of which the Prussians were victorious. Bulow utterly routed 70,000 Frenchmen under Ney. No nation can show such a glorious victory in the present century. In the year 1814 there were six important battles: La Rother, Feb. 1st; Bat-sur-Auoe, Feb. 27th; Leon, March 9th and 10th; Mouterau, March 15th, I gagement of Craonne, March 8th, if I remember right; the combats of Chempaubert, Vauchamps, Etoges and Montmirail, besides minor fights, as for instance La Fere Champenoise. Of these and Wavre. In the former they were beaten; the latter was undecided. DRUG

WHO IS THE PRINCE OF HORENZOL-LERN.-Cable telegrams concerning candidates for the vacant crown of Madrid do not seem to excite so much interest as they did-certainly not on this side Chemical Paint Company's PAINT of the Atlautic. Still, there are a few people who, when they read that General Prim or Count Bismarck, or some one else has named a prince of the THIS PAINT COMPRISES house of Hohenzollern as the "coming man," for King of Spain, may naturally ask "who is he?" It may be well enough, therefore, to say that the Hohenzollerns are princes out of active business at home, waiting to be called upon to reign over other people; that their paternal residence is at Dusseldorf: that there seems to be two available princes of this house, namely, the her-ditary prince. Leopold-Stephen-Charles-Authouy, &c., born September 23, 1885, now a Colonel in the Prussian guards; and Frederick-Eugene-John &c., born June 25, 1843, and now commanding a squadron of Lancers in Westphalia. brother of these two princes, Charles I, is the reigning sovereign of Roumania-Their grandmother, on the mother's side; was the Viscountess de Beauhar nois, an adopted daughter of Napoleon I; and their grandmother on the father's side was the princess Maria Antonette Murat. Thus it will be seen that while they are Prussian by nationality, they are Napoleonic by family connection and tradition. It looks like a junction of interest by Bismarck and Louis Napoleon. - Philadelphia Record.

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WE learn that Rev. Dr. Newman, who a short time since preached a sermon in Washington City, in which he endeavored to prove that the practice of Plural Marriage was unscriptural, is in this city, having reached here yesterday afternoon or evening. We also learn that the Reverend gentleman is eager to dis- dow. cuss this subject with our Elders, and that he comes here under the impresif we wish further blessings, receive the sion that he has received a public challenge through the Church paper to do the light, or window, or door. It is best to have the light fall from so, basing his assumption on a paragraph which appeared in the Salt Lake Daily Telegrame on the 3d of May last. At that time the Telegraph was owned and published by Mr. Fuller, a gentleman from Chicago, who never belonged to the Church of Jeaus Christ of Lat-As the sky is blue and the earth ter-day Saints; and it is also well known green, it would seem that the ceiling to the Salt Lake public that the Teleto receive the gospel of the Son of God, and graph, neither then, nor at any time graph, neither then, nor at any time The moment you are instinctively previous or subsequent to that period prompted to rub the eyes, that moment was the Church paper, and that anything which its editor might choose to publish in its columns was solely on his own responsibility.

> If Dr. Newman saw fit to accept that as a public challenge from the Authorities of the Church here, it was owing and character of the paper.

EAST TEMPLE STREET ting up a discussion on the subject of plural marriage during his stay in Salt Lake City we cannot say. Of one thing of them. I recollect a gentleman from Philadelphia who was tarrying in this city for the benefit of his health, but was called the Bible and believed all, as far at he bad hearned, with regard to the doctrines of the start may selfast you consider your may medihate upon is. The doctrine time is and children. And when and if you entertain is as the consider your mind. Les way medihate upon is. The doctrine time is and children. And when we preach is perfect? that our lives are very will be perfectly submissive to my dictates. ect a gentleman from HAS always a first-chuis supply of A Pritote, Bullets, Snot, Fishing Tacki everything el e in that line. Also Saddl's, Bridles, Whips, Srure, He Teinerature and a Lange assorine at of the Trimmings and a Large assoring at of Local and House Trimmings. [Sign of the BIQ QUA but 50,000 Reformation milles and 010 and 12 The 120 be sent to Northern

PROTECT YOUR EYESIGHT.

Milton's blindness was the result of overwork and dyspepsia. One of the most eminent American divines, having for some time being compelled to forego the pleasure of reading, has spent thousands of dollars in value a d lost in time, in consequence of getting up several hours and studying by artificial light. His eyesight neve got well. Multitudes of men and women have made their eyes weak for life by the too free use of the eyesight, reading small print and doing fine sewing. In view of these things, it is well to observe the

following rules in the use of the eyes: Avoid all sudden changes between light and darkness.

Never read by twilight, or moonlight, or on a very cloudy day.

Never sleep so that on waking the eyes shall open on the light of a win-Do not use the eyesight by light so

scant that it requires an effort to discriminate. Never read or sew directly in front of

above, obliquely over the left shoul-

Too much light creates a glare, and pains and confuses the sight. The mo-moment you are sensible of an effort to should be a bluish tint, the carpet green

and the walls of some mellow tint. cease using them.

If the eyelids are glued together on waking up, do not forcibly open them, but apply the saliva with the finger-it is the speedlest dilutent in the worldand then wash your eyes and face in warm water.

the fact? Certainly it is. I have not found anything in my religion that will do harm to any creature on the face of the earth. I have not found errors in our religion. Are August 6th, 1870. /. or d217 s54 w27 le A PRECIOUS PAIR .- The Gold Hill News of wall (ne Belgians agree lines solely to his ignorance of the nature Tuesday last says that a little afternoon today a fierce quarrel occurred on the Divide JAMES HACUE. PAINTING CARRIAGES AND have not found errors in our religion. Are there errors in the people? O yes, plenty principle within us to govern and control Whether the Dr. will succeed in getbetween Virginia and Gold Hill, at or near

