

first article is only a scum. I would not undertake to prove anything there is in it, or in the letter, because I would not undertake to prove any thing that is not true. It is all a shadow from the first. It would be right for me to say that both are incorrect. If the paper would correct them as I want it, I would make it right."

"Have any of the Mormon people tried to annoy you, or drive you out of Mendon?"

"No."

"Have they sought to injure you in any way?"

"Not that I know of."

"Did the Priesthood ever oppress, injure, or interfere with you in any way?"

"No, they have not."

"Did any teacher of the Church threaten to kill you?"

"No, not that I know of."

"Did you make any complaint to the officers of the law?"

"No. I knew that no man done it, so I did not make a complaint."

Lamont further said: "The statement that my animals were the only ones poisoned at that time is not true. Joe Hardman lost one, and so did Abe Sorenson. I know there was no man at the gate except myself when I was hurt. It was a bright moonlight night, almost as light as day, and I know there was no one there. There was no place for anyone to hide. I do not know how I was hurt. I know the people did not want the stock to go on the grain. The boys let it wander there, on others' grain as well as mine. Bassett lost all of his and Alex Richards lost much of his."

"Did you get damage from the owners of all stock that injured you?"

"Yes, they all paid me when I went to them. Bishop Hughes was one. When I went to him he told me to bring my sacks, and he piled grain in them till I told him to stop. So did others. They all paid me."

"Did you have trouble with anyone?"

"No. Alex Richards did not want to pay what I asked, and said his horses did no damage. He got angry and said he would thrash the life out of me, but I knew he wouldn't. He paid me in full for the damage done."

The affidavits of a number of people were taken regarding the affair, and some are given herewith:

A. G. White being first duly sworn deposes and says that he is a resident of Mendon, Cache county, Utah; that he knows James Lamont; and further deposes and says that he did, in the evening of Sept. 24th, 1893 at about 10:40 o'clock, call at the house of said Lamont and helped to wash and dress the wound sustained by Lamont shortly before. That said Lamont had then crawled from the pasture to his home, a distance of about two and a half blocks. The affiant further says that the wound had the appearance of being caused by a wire fence. Said Lamont was then conscious and then stated that he thought he had been kicked by a horse that was on the outside of the pasture fence, as there was one close by the gate when he opened it to let in the two colts which he had been leading; that as soon as the colts pulled back he turned to ascertain the cause, and that

he then received the blow; said Lamont did that evening and has since stated that he did not think any man in Mendon would do it or had done it. He has further stated that if the blow was dealt him by any human being it must have been by some one trying to steal horses out of the pasture. Lamont has never been heard to say that he has been threatened by any one on account of his religious views or other causes.

The said A. G. White further states that the land owned by Lamont is open in common with other fields and therefore no more subject to stray stock than are other lands. He also states that there have been two cows not the property of Lamont poisoned in the fields. He also says that he has never heard any one speaking harshly or threateningly of Lamont on account of him having run in stock and hogs to the stray pound.

The affiant further states that he has not at any time heard of or known of any threat or disturbance of the peace of Rev. Campbell or of his property or church.

ALFRED G. WHITE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of October, A. D. 1893.

[SEAL] ADOLPH ANDERSON,
Notary Public.

Rebecca Hardman being first duly sworn, deposes and says that she is a resident of Mendon City, Cache county, Utah; that she is acquainted with James Lamont; that she has read to him the *Tribune* editorial relative to the accident sustained by him, and that he in answer to questions regarding same stated that same was true in part; that he met a man on a grey horse who without stopping spoke to him in regard to a mare that was lost; the man never stopped; Lamont was leading two colts to the pasture; the man rode off in opposite direction and was out of sight when Lamont reached the pasture; when opening the gate the colts pulled backward; he turned to see what the matter was; just then received a blow that knocked him down; acknowledged being dragged on the ground by the colts; was sure no Mendon man had struck him; had not thought any man had struck him until the doctor had so suggested. He had never in the store made any statement in regard to his religion. He also told me that he had considered being baptized and that he had so stated to several men on the public square. He said that someone then had said, "You had better hurry up then, or else it may be too late." He also told me that he had never been spoken to in regard to being lax in the faith in connection with the stock being kept in his field. He admitted that J. S. Baker had told him to guard his grain as some stock was in the field and that that was all that had been said in regard to the matter as referred to in the article above mentioned.

REBECCA HARDMAN.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 21st day of October A. D. 1893.

[SEAL] ADOLPH ANDERSON,
Notary Public.

Emma Murphy being first duly sworn deposes and says that she is a resident of Mendon, Cache county, Utah; says: I was called to the house of James Lamont on the evening of September 24th, 1893, by a daughter of

Lamont, who stated that her father had been kicked by one of the colts. Lamont stated that he could not tell how the accident occurred, as he could see no one except one man on a horse, who was quite a distance off. He thought he must have been hurt by the colts. I have never heard any threats made against said Lamont for any causes whatever. I know that he has received some grain from several parties for damage done him by stock. Mrs. Lamont told me that she had been feeding the calf that died too much lucern; and I know that the cow which died had been kept up for some two months and it was a wet, rainy day when she was turned out, and that the cow had only been out two hours when word was sent to Lamonts that the cow was sick. I also duly affirm that Delos Bird, Jos. Hardman and Abr. Sorensen's cows have been taken sick, and two of them have died. I do further affirm that I have never heard any threats made or any disturbance created against the peace of Rev. Campbell or against his church or property.

EMMA MURPHY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me at Mendon, Cache county, Utah, this the 21st day of October, A. D. 1893.

[SEAL] ADOLPH ANDERSON,
Notary Public.

Thomas Muir, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: I am a resident of Mendon, Cache county, and am acquainted with James Lamont, of Mendon. I have never had any difficulty with him, but have frequently befriended him and his family. I saw Lamont the day after he was hurt. He had been to the doctor in Logan. Lamont had a number of scratches about his face, as though he had been dragged on the ground. He had a wound on his head, back of the right ear, that could have been easily made by falling on the ground at the gate to the Mendon pasture. He told me he was opening the gate to put in his colts, when the animals got scared. He told me he did not know what frightened them, whether it was the gate or not. The animals pulled him, he said, and then he does not remember any more until sometime after, when he found himself in the water ditch, 150 or 200 yards from the gate. His wife said he came home himself. The ground near the pasture gate is hard and rocky, with a steep slope. Lamont told me he did not think anybody hit him until the doctor suggested it.

Lamont further told me that before he got to the pasture he met a young man on a grey horse; that it was not a Mendon man; that by the time he, Lamont, was at the gate, the man must have been a good ways off, as they were going in opposite directions. This was the only person he saw, and he believed he would know him if he saw him again.

Lamont has been in the habit of abusing his family at times. On several occasions I have given them shelter to protect them from his violence. On one occasion I put his wife and five children in the loft of my barn to hide them from him. They were afraid he was going to kill them. This was about the time he was hurt when on a visit to Lagau. He went there to get his pistol fixed. He had got drunk, and