

were finally driven from Missouri, not to say anything of the hundreds and thousands and tens of thousands who are dead, whose deaths were more or less caused by the sufferings and distress that were brought upon them by their extermination.

It was a free State, it was a free country, it had a constitution that guaranteed liberty, at least to every white man. All religions were tolerated by their laws, but we must be exterminated from the State, because we were that kingdom which had been spoken of.

The result was that Prophets and High Priests were arrested and put in prison, numbers of them were murdered, women were ravished, goods and property stolen, houses burnt and children butchered, and every possible cruelty was invented to cure men of their religion.

I told Mr. Morrill, of Vermont, last winter, that it was utterly impossible by law to change men's opinions. If a man believes a thing you may whip him and he will believe it still.

Men and women are as apt to be tenacious as the old lady was down in the country where men have but one wife. She got quarrelling with her husband and called him 'cracklouse'; he told her that if she called him that any more he would down her; she repeated it again and he took and put her in the river, then took her out and she said, 'cracklouse'; so he put her in again and held her down awhile till she was almost gone, then he took her out again and she could hardly speak, but finally she made out to say, 'c-r-a-c-k-l-o-u-s-e!' He was determined to use her up so he put her down and held her under till she was dead, but she came up with her finger nails clenched, or rather in the position required for cracking a louse; so you see she stuck to it to the last moment.

So it is with our Uncle Sam, our dear, infirm, old Uncle; although he has got very rich and has got several millions of money in the Treasury that he scarcely knows what to do with he wants to expend some of it in bringing us to the standard of virtue and righteousness according to their notions. To this end he is sending out 2500 troops, with ministers and schoolmasters to regulate things in Utah. Notwithstanding all this he may possibly find some instances where people may be as determined and stern in their notions as the old lady was of whom I have been speaking.

Now a religion that is not worth living for is not worth having; if religion is not worth living for I am sure it is not worth dying for, and of course if we are not willing to stand the test our religion is of very little use. Our enemies judge us by themselves, for they know that the best of them will renounce their religion for the sake of self interest, they treat it as a mere work of time.

A gentleman once asked another why he turned from the reformed Methodists to the Episcopalians, and he said in reply, a good fat living will change any of us. If we can be changed in our religious views by a few soldiers or a few threats we certainly made a great blunder in coming out here, that we may have the privilege of turning a little, and of giving a little change into the bargain. Our dear old Uncle has had a desire to give us a little of the change from the time we came here. Soon after we arrived we began to turn this desert into a garden; there came a captain with troops into this city, they were a specimen of the virtue and morality of the United States.

They came here and began to insult the people, and then tried to cover up their wickedness by the dignity of Uncle Sandom. Passing along they came to a lone house, and there undertook to ravish a woman in open daylight, and the brother who interfered to prevent this villainous outrage was most shamefully maltreated by them, and got some of his bones broken. After this outrage the officers of the company were soon told that if they did not take their troops out of the city that the 'Mormons' would cut all their damned throats and that was the last we had of them here.

I may be a little mistaken as to the precise language made use of, but this subject follows up so close to what I had in my mind that I wanted to ask myself what I was now going to do in case the soldiers come here.

From year to year we have had companies of these gentry visiting us and remaining for a season and then going away. The government have tried year after year to establish garrisons, and get troops into these valleys. They have had troops at Laramie, at Fort Hall, and several other points, but circumstances so turned that they soon marched unto Oregon.

The talk now is that they are going to bring 2500 soldiers into this Territory, that is not a peace establishment, for twenty five hundred men is not enough to obtain peace in an Indian country. These troops we are informed are to be furnished with fifteen months provisions, to be delivered in this city this fall, and twelve months provisions to be lodged on the other side the mountain. They are to have four hundred mule teams for hauling their extra baggage, and they are to be provided with judges and a full corps of territorial officers and these soldiers are sent along to enforce their rule. This is what we understand from those channels which have been opened to us.

Whether it is done with the intention of making a disturbance here and taking the lives of our leaders, the facts in the case being known to the government of the United States, is not for me at present to say. The mail is stopped, and no more permitted to run because, they say, of the unsettled state of affairs in Utah.

Now I am a 'Mormon,' and a descendant of the old puritanical stock that descended from the old Anglo Saxon reformers, and hence I feel all the sentiments of resentment that any man could feel during the rise against the mother country when our forefathers were determined to break off the yoke of bondage and be free. When I see men, the descendants of those worthy sires

who were the first to stand forth and create the resolution of the colonies, and to break loose from the king of Great Britain, I say when I realize that my own country and nation are disposed to hold the sword over my head, and to threaten me with extermination, I feel to say let them send who they please. They are determined to send who they please for Governor, who they please for Judges, and who they please for our territorial officers, and to permit those men whom they send to place their interpretation upon the acts of our Territorial Legislature, and upon the condition of things as they surround us, and I care but little what comes next.

They will send men here who are ignorant of the circumstances that surround us, men who are totally ignorant of the irrigation of the land by mountain streams, they will permit them to interfere with the rights of the people of this Territory, with fifteen hundred or two thousand bayonets to back them up.

Under these circumstances, as big a coward as I am, I would say what I pleased, and for one thing I would say that every man that had anything to do with such a filthy, unconstitutional affair was a damned scoundrel. There is not a man from the President of the United States, to the Editors of their sanctuaries, clear down to the low bred letter writers in this Territory but would rob the coppers from a dead nigger's eyes if they had a good opportunity. If I had the command of thunder and lightning I would never let one of the damned scoundrels get here alive.

I have heretofore said but very little about the gentiles, but I have heard all that Drummond has said, and I have read all his lying infamous letters, and although I have said but little, I think a heap. You must know that I love my friends, and God Almighty knows that I do hate my enemies. There have been men and women and children enough who have died through the oppression and tyranny of our enemies to damn any nation under heaven, and now a nation of 25,000,000 of people must exercise its wealth in violation of its own principles, and the rights guaranteed by the blood of their fathers, blood that is more sacred than their own heart springs, and this they are doing to crush down a little handful who dwell in the midst of these mountains and who dare to worship God as they please, and who dare sing, pray, preach, think and act as they please.

All I have to say is just go ahead and burst your boiler. [Voice: They will.] This is the way the thing shapes itself in my mind, and if I were not afraid to die, I would fight as long as there was a finger left, yes if I were not afraid to die, I would fight till there was not as much left of me as there was of the Kilkenny cats. Just look at him, view his conduct towards this people, besides his being my Uncle he has acted most shamefully mean. When I told my Uncle I was afraid he only laughed at me, but I now tell you that if I were not such a well known coward I would die like a man of war. The very idea that a man has been awed down by the bayonet is something that I cannot stand. It will do very well for the Emperor of France, and it may do for the Autocrat of Russia, but it don't do for freeborn men, and if asked which we will prefer slavery or death we should be very apt to answer in the language of a Roman Senator, if we had any voice in this matter, who when this question was once put in the days of Julius Caesar and Pompey, promptly answered we prefer death to slavery. But you know we are Latter Day Saints, we are 'Mormons' and hence we cannot be treated as free men.

Report says that the plan is deep, and it is laid with the intention of murdering every man that will stand up for 'Mormonism,' but the evil which they design towards us will fall upon their own heads, and it will grind them to powder. The men that have been living in these valleys, living their religion and serving their God, they will laugh at their calamities and mock when their fear cometh.

We must die like the Irishman, and then we shall do well enough. An old parson was riding along one day and met with an Irishman, and said 'sir, have you made your peace with God?' Pat replied, 'faith an I've never had a falling out.' The parson seemed very much surprised at the answer, and very piously said 'you are lost, you are lost!' The Irishman quaintly answered, 'Faith and how can I be lost right in the middle of a great big turnpike?' The moral which I wish to deduce from this is that if we have not had a falling out with our God we are in the middle of the great turnpike. They may cut off our supplies of tobacco and tea. [Voice: What a pity.] Why bless you there are young men in Israel who would suffer far more if deprived of their tobacco than the ladies would if their ribbons had to be stripped off right in the public meeting, and therefore I advise them to go to work and plant tobacco for if they were deprived of it it would take away their peace and happiness, and they could not nasty and besmear everything within a mile of them, and when they wanted to come and get counsel they would not be able to let out of their mouths a stench that would drive away a skunk.

I feel great pity for those young men, and I would like to discipline them as a certain lieutenant did the cabin boy on a steam packet. He said, 'boy there is something the matter with your mouth,' whereupon he ordered one of the sailors to bring him a pair of tongs, and ordered the boy to open his mouth and with the tongs took out a large quid of tobacco. He then called for some canvas and sand and scoured the boy's mouth out, and told him when he got sick and needed that again he was to call on him and he would give him another dose.

I consider it a disgrace to any young man under 35 years of age to use tobacco. [Voice: 40 is the age] that is my age, I was thinking I was 35. Brethren and sisters, I am a Latter Day Saint, and I know that this is the people of God; I know that this people have the Priesthood, and that Brigham Young is as much an inspired man as was Moses or any other man that ever lived upon the earth.

This is my testimony, and I believe that if I were cut in pieces, though I never was killed and of course don't know how it feels, but I do not believe that it would alter my testimony.

I am a good deal like the man in the old world where they have but one wife; he was shaving, and at the same time having some unpleasant words with his wife, finally he said he would cut his throat if she did not hold her noise. She replied, 'cut away, I am young and handsome.' 'I would if I did not think it would hurt so damned bad,' and I don't know but it would feel so very bad to be killed that I am really afraid where there is no danger, but just so long as I think there is no danger I shall go ahead.

Brethren and sisters, pardon me for detaining you so long, and may the Lord God of Israel bless you, and may he curse and damn every scoundrel that would bring misery and injury upon this innocent people: Amen.

## MARRIED

On Sunday, 2nd of August, by President Brigham Young, Mr. THOMAS OBRAY, to Miss CAROLINE BRENCHELEY, from East Kent, England.  
[Millennial Star, please copy.]

## NOTICE.

The members of the Priests' Quorum in G. S. L. City will meet in the 14th Ward School house the 1st Sunday in every month at 4 o'clock, by order of the President of said Quorum.  
LEWIS WRIGHT, President.  
13-6m

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### LOST.

ON the 24th of July, in Big Cottonwood Canyon, a MONKEY WRENCH. The finder will please leave it at the Post Office, G. S. L. City, or send it to me at Mantle and oblige  
TITUS HILINGS.  
23-1

### STRAY COW.

CAME into my enclosure on the 1st August 1857, a large spotted cow about 8 years old, branded O on the right hip. Brand on right horn not legible, points of both horns sawed off. Calved on the 5th inst.  
GEORGE SHELLOS,  
23-1 1 mile north of Jordan Mts.

### STOLEN OR STRAYED.

ON or about the 10th of July, from Lehi, a grey American HORSE, branded on left shoulder with a heart and Y C N on left thigh; was owned by Iddian Ammon.  
A liberal reward will be paid for the recovery of said horse by  
(23-4) J. C. NAILE, Lehi.

### STRAYED.

ON Monday, the 3rd inst., a small light colored, spotted COW, branded L on left hip, and M R T on near horn, probably driven north in some herd. A liberal reward will be paid for her return to the subscriber in the 16th Ward, near Union Square.  
23-1 MERCY R. THOMPSON.

### FOR SALE.

IN Pleasant Grove, a HOUSE and LOT, situated opposite the Tabernacle, in a pleasant location.  
TERMS—Cattle, Wagons, Horses, Mules, or any other available means. For particulars enquire of the owner.  
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22-4 A. TAYLOR & SONS.

### LOST, STRAYED, &c.

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(711) BLAIR & BROTHER.

### STOLEN OR STRAYED.

JUNE 1st, from the 16th and 19th Ward Pasture, G. S. L. City, three Indian PONIES; one bay stud, one bay mare, and one roan mare, belonging to Antero V. Yeasho Yampah, Ute Chief.  
Any information will be thankfully received; please call on D. B. Huntington.  
16tr

### \$10 REWARD---STOLEN.

ON the night of the 4th of July one BAY MAKE, branded OO on the nigh shoulder, somewhat lame in the right hip; a claybank colored Colt went with her.  
Whoever will return the same to me, Salt Lake City, shall receive the above reward.  
21-3 J. H. RUMELL.

### ESTRAY.

TAKEN UP---One dark red COW, brockle face, one slit in right ear, two in left; no brands visible; cow supposed to be 7 or 8 years old. The owner is requested to prove property, pay charges and take her away.  
PETER MANZER,  
22-3 Willow Creek, Juab County.

### STRAYED OR STOLEN.

ON or about June 1, from Kay's Creek, a small bay Indian PONY, 5 years old, white strip in face, marked on the back and sides with the saddle and girth. When last seen had a trace chain on his left fore foot; lightly branded on left hip with T J.  
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21-11

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18-2m

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