

ANOTHER LADIES' MASS MEETING.

MOUNT PLEASANT,
Sanpete Co., Utah, Dec. 16, '78.

Editors Deseret News:

A mass meeting was held in the meeting house, by the ladies of this place on the 9th inst., which was numerously attended.

Mrs. M. F. C. Morrison was elected President, and stated the object of the meeting to be, to protest against the anti-polygamy crusade, and the petition of the anti-polygamists of Salt Lake City sent all over the nation for signatures, asking Congress to put down polygamy. Said no doubt some of those ladies were honest in their convictions, thinking that in trying to put down polygamy they were doing God service and ridding Utah of a great evil. Felt to pity and pray for them, for they are like the blind leading the blind. She knew God had revealed the principle of Celestial Marriage for the exaltation of all those who would receive and carry out the same in the spirit of the gospel; had lived in it for 20 years, and would not live out of it for anything. What had our Christian friends to offer us in exchange for this holy heaven-born principle, unless it is the hundred and one social evils which exist among them, but were not known among us until they brought them. God is at the helm of the good ship Zion, and he will guide her safely through every storm of persecution into a haven of rest.

Many of the sisters spoke their sentiments in relation to celestial marriage, testifying they knew it to be from God.

The preamble and resolutions adopted by the sisters of Salt Lake City were read and unanimously adopted.

Respectfully,

E. CLIFF.

CHRISTIAN CONSISTENCY.

Parallel with Talmage's revelations about the corruptions of New York city, the *Christian Union* contains a letter from W. E. Hathaway, its "special Cincinnati correspondent" in which he says: "It is difficult to summarize the tremendous exhibit of corrupting influences at work in our midst; the crowds upon the streets, the open flirtations, coarse jests and familiarities which are too shocking for repetition; the boys and girls exposed to the utmost temptation which the device of Satan can set before them. Theatres, from the semi respectable to the lowest dens of infamy, where the actions, songs, dialogues and appurtenances are all of the most degrading character, were found patronized by more than 10,000 persons last Sunday evening. Drinking and smoking and all manner of vulgarity proceed among the audiences during the performances, and these audiences are composed of all classes of people including thousands of the sons of Christian parents."

"Jefferson Hall was open last Sunday night, by a Protestant church, for a promenade concert and fair for the benefit of the church. At 11 p. m. some 400 people, mostly young men and women from 14 to 20, were present. The usual articles to be found at church fairs were on sale, while a bar in one corner was principally patronized by the boys. They would push each other about until one was thrown down, when a rush would be made for the bar when the victim was required to treat. Bottles of wine were disposed of by the wheel of fortune at five cents a chance. Music in this pandemonium completed this picture of demoralization, which was conducted in the sacred name of the Christian religion."

If the "Mormons" were guilty of five per cent. of such criminal conduct, what a howl from sapient pietists!

A. M. M.

Salt Lake, Dec. 23, 1878.

Fontenelle thus daintily compliments the sex when he compares women and clocks: "The latter serve to point out the hours, the former to make us forget them."

"Sir," said a weary tramp, to the gentleman who stands behind the counter at the Barrett House, "I am a social conundrum." "Then never more be guessed of mine," Burlington Hawkeye.

A Clerical Nimrod.

It was the last evening in camp. I picked up my rifle and walked down toward the river. As I reached a high point I looked down the ravine and saw a monster bear quietly browsing on the growing clover. I crawled down as noiselessly as possible on my hands and knees; got within about 100 yards of him, and interrupted his evening repast by putting a ball behind his forehead. He was a ponderous fellow, and he raised his head and looked at his side and began turning round and round, as though he didn't know what in the world was the matter with him. Finally he lifted his head and saw me. There was a steep, rocky gulch of 40 or 50 feet between us. He could not cross opposite, but about a hundred yards below there was a break in the gorge, with old logs fallen across, down which led the bear trail. I saw in a moment he was making for that. To run was impossible, the brush was so thick behind me. There was nothing but my nerve and my rifle to depend on, so I walked to the edge of the gulch and put another bullet full in his side. At this he howled and bellowed with rage. I flung in another cartridge, and planted the third ball near his shoulder. At this he stopped, and roaring fearfully, tore up the ground in his rage, sat down on his great haunches, took up his hind feet with his fore paws, and with his tusks tore it and gashed it like a knife. He had reached the edge of the gulch, and was clambering the last ledge of rock to descend. As he straightened up his neck I aimed full at it, and gave him my fourth round. In a moment he loosened his clutch, and came tumbling like a young avalanche to the bottom of the gulch, bellowing seemingly in the agonies of death. I thought I had broken his neck, and after a while walked down near him, but when within eight or ten feet, to my utter consternation, I saw him rise to his feet, and I think Providence guided the bullet that went crashing through his brain, and he dropped dead at my very feet. He was a giant of the forest in size, over eight feet in length, of the big brown species, as large and ferocious as the grizzlies. He would weigh about eight hundred pounds. His hind feet were ten inches in length by five in width. To our astonishment, when we skinned him we found none of the balls had gone an inch beneath the thick skin. The one in the neck had only paralyzed the nerves. Of course it was a trophy, but I do not believe I care about being present when there's another scrape like that a bruin, where your bullets flatten out like wafers, for it certainly was a bear escape from a fate similar to that of the hoodlums in Elijah's day, who cried, "Go up, thou bald head!"—Rev. W. J. Smith's California letter in *Presbyterian Banner*.

Exposure of Children to Cold.

We should say that no child, too young to walk or run, should be taken out when the external temperature is below fifty degrees; that the rooms in which they live and sleep should never be below fifty-eight degrees; and the day room should be three or four degrees warmer. The practice of wheeling children about in perambulators, sitting or reclining in one position without exercise, is particularly harmful. We would earnestly appeal to mothers to put aside all feelings of vanity, or what is sometimes mis-called natural pride, and cover the arms, neck, and legs of their children as a simple, sanitary precaution. High frocks, long sleeves and warm stockings should be worn out of doors; hats which cover the head, and boots which keep the feet as dry and warm as possible. On coming in from our streets, nearly always damp, both boots and stockings should be changed; and, if the feet be cold, a warm foot bath should be used for a few minutes. The exquisite pain of chilblains could be saved to many children by this use of hot water for hands and feet. We see that flannel has yielded to merino, chiefly on account of the greater convenience of ready-made under-clothing; but there is nothing equal to flannel in the property of preserving warmth.—*British Medical Journal*.

Meeting a commercial traveler, who was pretty full of old Robinson County, Gubbins remarked to his wife, "Tight as a drum, ain't he?" "Worse'n that," she answered, "he's tight as a drummer!"

A laborer, while breaking stones on the roadside, having a shade over one eye as a guard, was thus accosted by a companion: "I say, Tummy, hast 'ee lost an eye?" "Why," replied the other, "hast 'ee found one?"

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