

of the choice passages of some of the Reverend writers of the Assembly Herald:

"The calling of Christians 'Gentiles' indicates the attitude of Mormons to the Church universal. It is an irreconcilable antagonism. We are familiar with the ostracisms and persecutions endured by our missionaries and teachers, but it may not be generally known that there is a state in our Union where the free-born son of America is unwelcome and hated. 'A Gentile doctor,' said a Salt Lake City physician to me 'would, outside of Utah's two cities, starve to death.'"

Here is another saying of a preacher who attended the Tabernacle and this is what he says of the people he saw there:

"They seemed to be repulsive in appearance, always ready to laugh and sneer at the Gentiles, when allusions to them were made, and who were referred to as liars, murderers and thieves, and everything contemptible. They were even guilty of insulting strangers at their services, whom they thought were Gentiles.

"The religion they teach the women is that the birth of each child releases a soul from purgatory, and gives it a chance of salvation.

"An ex-governor of the State told us, that only by bringing from the fort which overlooks the city five hundred soldiers and many cannon they could be prevented from having a parade on July third, instead of on July fourth, as an insult to the United States. For doing this, he received letters written in blood, threatening his assassination. He told us they are the blackest spot on the American civilization, and that this canker of corruption is rapidly spreading."

Here are a few choice selections from the pen of Rev. S. E. Wishard:

A labor in darkest Utah.  
Reed Smoot protects criminals.  
Every Mormon woman is subjugated and compelled to accept polygamy.

I have the names of thirty Mormons who have taken plural wives since the manifesto.

Reed Smoot belongs to a society that murdered apostates to save their souls.

Rev. Wishard advertises Idaho by the following:

"Our Eastern communities, with their long established churches, Sabbath-schools, prayer meetings and frequent visitations of the Holy Spirit, have no realization of the death chill that has fallen on these frontier towns. They can not understand the perils into which their sons and daughters come."

Mormonism is one of the darkest systems of paganism on earth.

Ought not the church to give her sympathy, prayers, money and her sons and daughters.

And now, Brother Wishard, I want to say in conclusion that you and the Revs. John L. Leitch, Dr. Paden, Rev. D. J. McMillan, Rev. Geo. Bailey and a few others have slandered the Hon. Reed Smoot, a man elected by the people of Utah to the United States Senate; a man whose character, home life and reputation is as pure as that of any preacher that ever decorated a pulpit. You have dragged his name all over the United States and attached to it from two to five wives; you have accused him of nearly every crime in the decalogue; you have caused the fair name of Utah to be hissed at from nearly every pulpit in the land; you have pictured our homes as hovels and our schools as mean and insufficient; you said our teachers were antipodian, and dominated by priest craft; you have insulted every Mormon woman in Utah and cast reproach on our young men and maidens; you have pictured Utah as a blight on this nation in the shape of a hideous locust, devil fish; you have greatly blocked the wheels of interstate commerce, fright-

ened away capital and hindered immigration; you are the chief cause of over 300 vacant houses in Salt Lake City; you have held up the Mormon bugaboo in other states when you should have been preaching the gospel in Utah; you have caused neighbour to rise up against neighbour, and hard and bitter strife in many places; instead of beating "Spears into Pruning-hooks;" you have beaten pruning-hooks into spears and you have done it all in the name of him who said, "Blessed are the peace-makers, for they shall be called the children of God." Brother Wishard, if you intend to reply to this, don't wait three or four weeks, as you did in answering my last letter, for I am going to be very busy bringing settlers into Bear River Valley, and will not have much time to reply.

Yours very truly,

V. S. PEET.

Salt Lake City, Feb. 14, 1905.

#### ADDITIONAL SOCIAL NOTES.

It is announced from Spokane, Wash., that on February 14 a Valentine luncheon was given to announce the engagement of Miss Euphemia Luhn, daughter of Major and Mrs. G. L. Luhn of Spokane, to George Harris Smith of this city. Mr. Smith is the assistant attorney here of the Harriman system.

Many town people went up to Fort Douglas Wednesday evening for the hop given by the officers and ladies of the garrison. The event took place in the post hall with the Twenty-ninth infantry orchestra furnishing the music.

A kensington was given by Mrs. John N. Sharp at her East South Temple street home Wednesday in honor of Mrs. Joseph Hardie Young, who leaves shortly for Denver to join Mr. Young.

Invitations were issued Wednesday for the dance to be given on February 24 at Unity hall by the High school alumni association.

A colonial dance will be given by the university football team on the 21st.

Mrs. Fifield will entertain for Miss Waller next Tuesday.

A leading event of the week was the annual breakfast of the Ladies' Literary club given at the Emery-Holmes yesterday.

Mrs. James Brown Eddie and Miss Colburne have issued invitations for Thursday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock at Rowland hall to meet Miss Spalding.

A reception was given at Westminster church Thursday evening in honor of Rev. and Mrs. McLain Davis.

Miss Georgia Hartley has returned from Poche and De La Mar, Nev.

Dr. and Mrs. Hopkins of this city have returned from Los Angeles, after an enjoyable visit in southern California.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Macdonald of Oakland, Cal., are visiting Mr. Macdonald's parents in this city.

Mrs. L. M. May entertained the ladies of the James B. McKean W. R. C. at her home, 278 East First South, Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Charles Smith announces the marriage of her daughter Mae to W. A. Hilton of Salt Lake City, which took place in November at Los Angeles, Cal.

Postmaster Thomas returned from the east Tuesday bringing with him his bride, formerly Mrs. Adams. The marriage took place in Boston ten days ago and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas are receiving the congratulations of their friends.

Superintendent of Waterworks Hires has gone to New Orleans on a visit to his son, Lieut. Hines, U. S. A., who is stationed at Fort Jackson, La.

The next monthly meeting of the Nauvoo Legion will be held Monday, February 20th, at 3 o'clock, in the bishop's office, Tithing Yard. A full attendance of both ladies and gentlemen is requested. The association has just started on the new year and would like to make it show that its aims and objects are upward and onward by making this its banner year.

WM. M. BROWN.

Geo. W. Sammis, business manager for Willie Collier's theatrical company, was in the city a few days ago making arrangements for the appearance of his company at the Salt Lake theatre in the near future. Mr. Sammis made a pleasant visit with Dan Loftus.

Mrs. Nellie Druce Pugsley will sing a solo Sunday morning at the Central Christian church.

Our thoughts of to-day become the dreams of to-night—the things we do to-morrow mould the character of the future.

Some men expend more force in putting on their shoes than the necessary energy to walk a mile.

The return of silence for the warm hand of sympathy may be the most sincere, but it is not consolation for an aching heart.

What's more miserable than discontent.

Diligence is the mother of good fortune.

#### CATCHES 'EM COMING AND GOING.

The Standard correspondent of the Box Elder Report relates that "Dr. and Embalmer A. C. Newell is very busy these days."

Avoid a blase air, and appear bright, and interested in what other people are saying.

Avoid ostentatious dressing or clothes evidently too elegant for her station or means.



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