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### PATRIARCHAL.

TO THE SAINTS SCATTERED ABROAD THROUGHOUT THE  
WORLD, GREETING. [From the "Deseret News."]

BELOVED BRETHERN AND SISTERS,—The Spirit of God moves upon me to write an epistle, and give you some fatherly counsel at this time. I pray God, my Eternal Father, to enlighten my mind, and give unto me words and principles which will be unto you as balm to a wound, or water to a thirsty man.

It is now upwards of twenty-one years since the organization of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, with six members,—most of whom are numbered with the dead.

Soon after its organization I heard the Gospel through my nephew, Joseph Smith, jun., and obeyed the commandments of the Lord by entering in at the door, which is baptism.

Since that period many scenes have passed, in which I have participated; some of which caused me to rejoice, and many to bow me down with sorrow.

To take up the subject of the travels, persecutions, and the sufferings of the Saints, since I first became acquainted with the work, would fill volumes; and I find, that although my spirit is willing that I should enter into these things, and add my testimony to the many who have already preached and published it to the

world, yet the flesh is weak, and my aged fingers cramp with the pen; suffice it to say, what has been published by the Elders, is true; and the rest is written in the books which shall be opened in the day when all men will be rewarded according to their works, and all secrets shall be made known on the house tops.

I have witnessed the steady progress of the work, combating against ignorance, tradition, and priestcraft. Like leaven, it has spread itself, until it is heard in the east and the west, the north and the south, trampling under foot, as it were, all opposition, and showing unto saint and sinner that the great God is at the helm.

Twenty years ago it was a mustard seed; now a mighty forest, where the birds of the air can rest under.

We were then plundered of everything, and left without a home. Thanks be to God, we have now a resting place for our feet.

We can here worship Him under “our own vine and fig tree,” and none make us afraid; and under such favourable circumstances as we are now placed, if we do not enjoy the Spirit of God, it is because we are not obedient to His commandments; and I can bear my testimony, that the Saints never enjoyed more of the Spirit than they do at this time; and I feel confident that if they will adhere to counsel, we will receive more and more, day by day, until we come within the sphere to walk with angels, and be their constant companions; and when we want to learn aught from God, they will teach us, and heaven will be as near to us as Boston is to New York by *telegraph*.

To the Saints in these Valleys I have a word of counsel:—If you have the interest of the work at heart, be always ready to obey counsel. If the President wishes to settle the valleys, build Temples, preach the Gospel, or any other thing that is required of you, be ready as minute men, with all that is required of you, be ready as minute men, with all that you have and possess. Let no excuse be found in your mouths; but arise and say, I will do thy work, O God; and you will see his salvation made manifest in the preservation of his Saints.

If the Presidency and Twelve who are now living, had not been

servants to the cause when Joseph lived, they would not have been worthy to fill the exalted stations which they now occupy; and always remember, "That he who is the greatest among you must be the servant of all."

Bring up your children in the way they should go, that they may be ornaments to the society, and a blessing unto you in your old age; and remember that God will not hold you guiltless if you should neglect to attend to this matter. Remember also to teach them to pray; and cause your sons to take part in the family prayer; and beware what company they keep, for "evil communications corrupt good manners."

Let not your daughters mix with the sons of the stranger, whom you know nothing about, and who are not of the house of Israel; but gather your children together, and teach them the principles of truth and righteousness, and teach them to obey the laws of God, and the day will come that they will arise and bless you.

Teach unto them every truth which God has revealed. Instill into their young minds every principle that will make them a noble race, and remove from their paths every thing that is contrary to God and His commandments. Beware that they do not imbibe the traditions of the Gentiles, and keep them where they cannot have recourse to their doctrines; you will then have a race of children who will arise in the might of Israel, and will break the shackles of tradition, and be fit beings to carry on the work which their fathers commenced; and the Spirit of God will assist you in doing these things, provided you put forth all your energies with your might.

To the Saints abroad I wish to say, Hasten to the Valleys of the Everlasting Hills. Come where you can learn from the fountain head. Gather where your children can mix with ours, and where you will enjoy the sweet communion which is felt with us, and that I may lay my hands upon you and give you a patriarchal blessing before I go hence.

Bring with you your machinery, your gold and your silver, your brass and your copper, with all the seeds and precious things of the earth; and last, not least, the *poor* of God's household,—to beautify

the place, and make it a fit sanctuary for the Lord to dwell in.

Let the rich remember that the poor must be gathered; and as the rich can at any time come to Zion, the poor have to come when the way opens for them; and it is a duty devolving on the rich to bring them along.

Pray to God to turn the hearts of the Gentiles that they may convert their riches to the upbuilding of His kingdom, and that kings and queens may become nursing parents, that Zion may flourish, and her Temples be reared to His holy name, that we may do the work devolving upon us in redeeming the dead.

Lift up and strengthen the hands of the Elders who are among you. Let your prayers ascend to the God of Sabaoth for their success, and that they may never be confounded; and in return they will bless, counsel, and pray for you, and the prayer of the righteous availeth much.

Children, be subject to your parents; wives, to your husbands; Elders, to your Presidents,—each obeying as they expect obedience from those whom they are placed to govern, always remembering it is better to govern by love than by oppression.

Avoid lawsuits. Pay your tithing. Remember your covenants in the House of the Lord. Let the Perpetual Fund prosper, and the poor rejoice. Pray for the redemption of Zion; for the Heads of the Church; for the gathering of the Saints; for the Elders who are abroad preaching; for their families who are left at home; for the saints scattered abroad throughout the world; for the rolling on of the work; for the frustration of the designs of our enemies, and for health, peace, and prosperity to dwell in every habitation of the saints of God. By doing so, blessings will shower on your heads; your minds will expand; the Spirit of God will rest upon you, and your years will be many upon the earth.

Let every Elder of Israel put on the garments of righteousness, teaching by precept and example, the true principles which exalt the mind, expand the understanding, and make man a fit companion for his Creator; and never dishonor the high and holy calling which has been placed upon him, by teaching and suffering to be taught

in his house, or anywhere that he has influence or power to control, doctrines which are not of God.

Let the true principles which God has revealed in these last days, be taught in their simple purity, bearing with them their own worth, having the Spirit of God to back them, and I know that every true Saint will welcome them with open arms. Avoid the company or the house of those who hold the doctrines of God in derision, for God dwells not there; the blood will not be found on the lintels of their door posts, in the day when the destroyer passes by.

To the Elders who are out preaching, I wish to say,—Cease not your cry. Warn the nations of the wrath of God on the wicked. Preach faith, repentance, baptism for the remission of sins, the laying on of hands for the gift of the Holy Ghost, and the gathering of the Saints; bearing your testimony without fear, and the Lord will bless your labours with many sheaves, which will be an honor to you in the great day of accounts. Your families shall not want, your limbs shall not be wearied, if you are faithful in all things, and your tongues shall not fail to declare truth both new and old; and the angels of God shall guard your footsteps, and His spirit will be with you to enlighten your way, and be both mouth, matter, and wisdom unto you; and when you return unto your homes, you will meet with smiling faces, who will greet you with a blessing for the good you have done in other lands.

I must conclude, for I feel the infirmities of age creeping on, and knowing not when the Lord shall require me hence, I wish to take this opportunity of adding my mite to the testimony of the thousands who are scattered throughout the globe, and of those who are gone beyond the veil, and who sealed theirs with their blood.

In Kirtland, Ohio, four brothers sat in the patriarchal seat in the Temple of God, and I only of that number am left to tell the tale; and as I am now past the time allotted to man to live, it is reasonable that I also will be gathered unto my fathers in the time appointed of God. I therefore bear my testimony, which I wish translated into every language, read to every Saint, and printed wherever the type

is used; that the world may see and hear what I have to say; for if I was young I would visit them, when they should hear from my lips that God has again spoken from the heavens; that he has again condescended to send his angels to visit fallen man, and point out the way whereby he can be saved. He appointed Joseph Smith a prophet, and revealed unto him his commandments.

I testify to all men in words of soberness, that the Book of Mormon is true; that Joseph Smith, jun., translated it from plates by the Urim and Thummim, and by the power of God.

I testify that Joseph Smith was a prophet, seer, revelator, and a man of God; and what was revealed through him will prove life and salvation to those who believe and obey, or death and condemnation to all who count it as naught, and harden their hearts against the truths he preached and practiced.

I knew him when at his mother's breast, and I watched and counseled him in his youth; but when God spoke and taught him, I bowed to his superior knowledge; and although he was a boy, and I an old man, and his uncle, yet I was not ashamed to learn true principles from him, and like Paul at the feet of Gamaliel, drank in the truths which flowed from the prophet's lips.

I was in jail with him and his brother Hyrum a few hours before they were killed; and I can testify before God, that they died innocent of any crime, and that they sealed their testimony with their blood.

I testify to all men, that I know, that the angel has appeared which John the revelator saw, who had the Everlasting Gospel to preach to every nation, kindred, tongue and people, saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him, for the hour of his judgment is come.

And I call on all men, priests and people, kings, potentates, and rulers, to cease their strife; come and obey the Gospel, gather with Israel, obey the commandments of God, that you and your dead may be saved and brought up in the first resurrection.

And I say to the Saints, that by the power of the holy Priesthood vested in me, as Patriarch, I bless you; and I say unto you,—Be

faithful, and you shall be blessed in your basket and your store; you shall have all blessings which were promised to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; and the Lord will preserve you as in the hollow of his hand, and no power shall stay the work, for everything that shall be brought against it will fail.

The way shall be open for every Saint to come to Zion. Health, peace, joy, prosperity, and the Spirit of God, shall dwell in your habitations, and the angels of God shall watch over and counsel you all your days; your minds shall expand to realize every principle of truth and righteousness, and you shall build Temples and go through the ordinances for your dead; your names shall be held in everlasting remembrance among the people of God; and your children shall arise and call you blessed. The riches of the Gentiles shall be converted to establish the Kingdom of God; every prayer of the righteous shall be heard and answered by our Father in heaven, and every blessing that can be heaped on man, will be heaped upon those who keep His commandments. And I pray God, my Eternal Father, to hear this, the prayer and blessing of thy servant, and answer it upon the heads of thy servant, and answer it upon the heads of my brethren; which I ask in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

JOHN SMITH,

Patriarch to the Church of Jesus Christ of  
Latter-day Saints.

Great Salt Lake City, Nov. 8, 1851.

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## SAINTS OF GOD VERSUS THE WORLD.

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EVERY Latter-day Saint feels that he is in a measure a proscribed being. So powerfully does Satan work in the hearts of the children of disobedience that the strongest ties are sundered, the tenderest relationships forgotten, and oftentimes a Saint's worst foes are those of his own household. The world, and especially the religious portion of it, evinces a most uncompromising hatred towards the Latter-day Saints. Indeed, the very name of Latter-day Saint fills the bosoms

of the people with indescribable sensations, and seems to rouse up every malignant feeling of their souls. If an individual only goes to hear the Saints, he becomes thenceforth a marked character. He hazards his good name. His pious friends are perfectly surprised to hear of him setting his feet within a Mormon meetinghouse. They are thoroughly shocked at the thought of him listening to a discourse from a Mormon Elder. They are thunderstruck if he should chance to speak in approbation of what he has heard. They dissolve all connection with him if he becomes convinced of the truth, and essays to render obedience to the same. They would rather he would become a drunkard, or a whoremonger, than a Latter-day Saint. Many persons have declared they would prefer following their relations to the grave, to the misery of knowing that they would embrace the faith of the Saints of God. Roman Catholicism, with all its priestly enormities and inquisitorial horrors, is considered comparative purity and virtue, in contrast with the supposed absurdities and blasphemies of "Mormonism." And indeed it is doubtful whether there is a religious society existing which would not, in the event of a crisis, unite in the general cry of "Away with the Mormons, they are not fit to live."

Joseph Smith, the founder (under God) of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, though originally an obscure illiterate youth, was persecuted with the most heartless cruelty from the time when he first made known that he had received a revelation from heaven. And his chief persecutors were those who professed to be followers of the meek and lowly Jesus. They continually sought his overthrow, and endeavored to accomplish it by all means in their power. To prejudice the public mind against him, the most idle and nonsensical rumors to his injury were industriously circulated, and, of course, most eagerly believed. Divers *writs* and processes, founded upon these foolish rumors, were served upon him, which led to vexatious lawsuits, about forty-six in all; but in none of these, where he had a legal tribunal, was Joseph Smith once proven guilty of breaking the laws of his country. So vindictive were his enemies, that



they rested not until they had imbrued their hands in his innocent blood. His enemies testify that his offence and sentence was, "The law of the land cannot reach him, but powder and ball shall."

Hyrum Smith, brother to Joseph, was murdered with him, though convicted of no crime.

John Taylor, an apostle, was severely wounded at the same time.

And the Latter-day Saints as a people have been most vilely persecuted. They have been mobbed, plundered, and driven from their homes and possessions, time after time. Their path might have been traced by their blood. Hoary age and helpless infancy were alike disregarded by fiends in human shape. Defenseless women were ruthlessly despoiled of that which is dearer than mortal life. The leaders of this people have been cast into prison without cause, and fed upon human flesh.

In the spring of the year 1846, the chief authorities of the Latter-day Saints were exiled from their beautiful Nauvoo and its splendid temple, and compelled to seek out a home for themselves in the wild fastnesses of the Rocky Mountains; far away from the abodes of civilized, but bloodthirsty Christians. They travelled westward some hundreds of miles; but they found they must halt for the winter far short of their destination. Whilst in this distressing situation, the United States officers called upon them for five hundred of the flower of their camp, to enroll themselves as a battalion, and march into Mexico. This cruel, cowardly requisition was immediately complied with. In return for this unparalleled manifestation of patriotism, the poor and infirm Saints who were unable to leave Nauvoo with the main body, were driven out of the city at the cannon's mouth and bayonet's point, and forced into the woods and *prairies* on the trail of their abler brethren, and the authorities of the Church.

And after the Saints have, with the most persevering industry and admirable fortitude, crossed trackless deserts, threaded gloomy ravines, explored whole regions previously little known, located themselves in the Salt Lake Valley, built houses and cities, planted farms, and made the wilderness rejoice and the desert blossom as the

rose,—the United States Congress has granted them a Territorial Government in answer to their petition to be admitted as an independent State into the Union.

This done, the old game of evil reports and lying slanders is renewed with its wonted virulence. There are some characters who envy the Latter-day Saints the privilege of digging for their own bread. They envy them the ground they stand upon, and the air they breathe. They wish to overthrow fair Utah, that prodigy of virtuous enterprise. But their hopes will vanish, and their spirits fail them, their lying calumnies shall return as fire upon their own heads, and pierce their souls like a dart through their liver. For the Lord of hosts is our defense and strong tower; in Him we put our trust. "It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in princes."

In the fall of 1850, the United States Executive duly appointed ten persons as public officers for the Territory of Utah, to wit—Brigham Young, Governor; Seth M. Blair, U. S. Attorney; and Joseph L. Heywood, U. S. Marshall; Lemuel G. Brandeburg, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States for said Territory; Perry E. Brocchus, and Zerubbabel Snow, Associate Justices; B. D. Harris, Secretary of the Territory, and Messrs. Holman, Day, and Rose, Indian Agents. These officers arrived in Utah in the summer and fall of 1851. But they not been there many weeks, before Lemuel G. Brandeburg, Perry E. Brocchus, and B. D. Harris disclosed a cowardly inclination to desert their posts of honor, and return to the States. Having no creditable reason for this palpable dereliction of duty, they very naturally (like as truant urchins fish up excuses to their masters) scraped together a scurrilous dish of *odds and ends*, in the way of an "Official Report" (or rather "Reports," for there are more than, and of course all true, however contradictory), to make their case good, and thus escape the censure-stripes of the Federal Executive.

But these slanderous and highly colored "Reports" are not the only manifestations of hostility towards the Saints. Certain members of Congress evince a determined resolution to oust the

Utah delegate (the Hon. J. M. Bernhisel) out of his seat in the house of Representatives. This is perfectly in harmony with other proceedings. But let it be done, and the unity of the Lord's people will surprise the hypocrites, and astonish the world. Let the American nation allow this measure to be so ordered, and the hand of God will fall right heavily upon the people. There will be weeping and mourning in high places. The proud despots of the old world will hold up the mock liberty of Columbia to scorn and ridicule. We await forthcoming events with lively interest rather than distressing anxiety; for we know that all things will work together for good to them that love God, and are the called according to His purpose.

It is a common practice for men who persecute the people of God, to console themselves with the idea that they do not persecute them on account of their religion, but merely render them a just reward for their extreme *politics* or daring blasphemies. Very fine! But let us consider. Why did the Jews persecute Jesus? For his politics and supposed blasphemies. "For a good work we stone thee not (oh dear, no!) but for blasphemy,"—John x, 33. "If we let him thus alone, all men will believe on him; and the Romans shall come and take away both our place and nation,"—John xi, 48. Why, Jesus Christ was arraigned, condemned, dressed in a scarlet robe, invested with a scepter-reed, crowned with thorns, and nailed upon the cross for his *political opinions*! His very accusation appeared in bold relief over his devoted head—"THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS!" The Chief Priests, Scribes, and Elders mocked him, and ironically cried out, "*If he be the King of Israel, let him now come down from the cross, and we will believe him!*"—Matt. xxvii.

Stephen was stoned for his *political opinions*. "For we have heard him say, that this Jesus of Nazareth shall *destroy this place, and shall change the customs* which Moses delivered unto us."—Acts vi, 14.

Paul was persecuted on account of his *political opinions*. "For we have found this man a pestilent fellow and a mover of *sedition* among all the Jews throughout the world; and a ringleader of the sect of the Nazarenes."—Acts xxiv, 5. And the same subterfuge is

availed of now. The Rev. J. B. Lowe of this town (Liverpool) in a lecture says,—“Jackson County and Clay County were the scene of skirmishes between them (the Saints) and the county militia, who wished to expel them. The inhabitants, however, had only recourse to violence when they found they could not get rid of them quietly. I do not justify the violence; but remember *it was not persecution on account of religion*.\* No such thing. All religions are tolerated in the United States, and the gentlemen who petitioned against them said they had nothing to say to their religious gibberish; it was their *political system*, with its arrogant assumptions, that they opposed, and they were determined that it should not be tolerated, as there would be no peace till they were induced to leave the place.”

Joseph Smith was persecuted and slain for his *political* opinions. The Saints of God were driven from Nauvoo for their *political* opinions. And the overthrow of the Saints in Utah is now sought, on account of their *political* and *seditions* opinions.

But whether the enemies of God think that Jesus, Stephen, Paul, Joseph, or any of the Saints of God, suffered persecution and martyrdom for their religion; or for their politics, or for their blasphemies; one thing is known, they suffered and died for *righteousness*' sake, and consequently their reward will be great in heaven, when the wrath of an offended God will wither up their remorseless persecutors.

There has yet to be a tremendous struggle between the powers of God and the powers of Satan. The prize these parties are contending for is nothing less than universal and eternal dominion over this earth. God intends to extend his government over all the face of the earth, and drive Satan from it. The kingdom of God

\* Though this reverend excuser of wholesale persecution tells us that the Missourians drove the Latter-day Saints because of their politics, yet he himself reflects upon them because of their religion, as well as their politics. He speaks of Orson Pratt as a “very clever man, and a very respectable one for anything I know, but for his *religious opinions!*” So, in Mr. Lowe's judgment, Mr. Pratt's religion is a certain *discount* upon his respectability!

must be established and the will of God done here as promptly and efficiently as it is now done in the heavens. All the righteous men of God of old who have received the Priesthood when upon the earth, were engaged in this glorious work. They have all accomplished something towards it. They are still actively engaged in this work, and they have covenanted not to cease from their labors until the struggle is ended and the victory won. The question will become daily more and more momentous. All will have to choose sides. Satan and his adherents think to win the day. But they will be deceived. To hasten the end there will be a grand concatenation of the powers of all dispensations combined with the powers of Heaven. In this generation a decisive blow will be struck between the two rival powers, which will give peace and rest to the righteous for a thousand years. Then shall all the Saints be united in one, and God shall be their King and Lawgiver, and this very earth where their enemies have triumphed over them shall be given to them for their eternal inheritance. Amen.

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### TITHING CIRCULAR.

TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED.

[From the "Deseret News."]

As much interest is now felt by the Saints in relation to tithing; and as mistakes and misunderstandings are liable to occur, under the best regulations, and more particularly so, where business is extensive, and a general system of transactions, understood by all, is not in operation; I have thought proper to issue this circular to the Bishops, Agents, and all who are, or may hereafter be concerned in paying and receiving tithing in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

It is the duty of all Bishops and agents for receiving tithing, in all parts of the world, to keep a full and accurate account of all tithing received, of whom received, when received, at what place received; and how, to whom, and for what purpose disposed of; and forward a copy of said account to the general tithing office every year, at, or

previous to, the October Conference.

The office at Liverpool, and other foreign offices, and agents, will not only furnish an annual copy of tithing accounts, by the emigration, or other safe conveyance; but, on the return of every such foreign agent to the place of the First Presidency, will furnish a full and complete account of all items of receipts and expenditures, during his agency, together with the names, in full, of all persons from whom he has received tithing, and their placed of residence, accompanied by a *balance sheet*, in full, for, and during the time of, his agency.

The brethren are frequently arriving from England, Pottawattamie, and other foreign places, and different valleys of the mountains, and want to see that their tithing is settled in full, so that they can have claim to some desirable blessings; but, unless returns have been made by those Bishops and agents to whom they have paid their tithing, or the individual has a certified transcript from the books of his agent or Bishop, how can such settlement be made here? Surely it cannot be done. Therefore, if anyone wants to settle his tithing in full, let him bring a transcript from his Bishop, providing the Bishop's books, including his account, have not recently been returned to the general office.

And further, to facilitate business, and save trouble, let all the Bishops in the Territory, make a semi-annual report of their books, and doings, at, or just previous to, the general Conferences in each year.

We wish it distinctly understood that it is the indispensable duty of all Bishops and agents to attend to the above suggestions, as difficulties are daily arising in consequence of such neglect.

It is also the duty of all the clerks in all the different departments of the tithing office, and foremen on the public works, and all who keep daily journals and records of business and events occurring, in relation to the pecuniary affairs of the Church, to make returns of the same every day, before the close of the tithing office, and receive

a duplicate book for the use of the day following: and it is the duty of the presiding Bishop, and the assistant presiding Bishops, to see that all Bishops and agents do their duty, and report according to this circular.

N. B.—Mistakes frequently occur in consequence of the Bishops and others not being careful to get a person's name correctly. If a person has a middle letter or letters in his name, it ought invariably to be inserted, as there are many persons whose names are similar, and there is no distinction only from the middle letter; and this caution we strictly enjoin in relation to all records of baptisms, births, deaths, &c.

WILLARD RICHARDS.

Office of General Church Recorder,  
G. S. L. City, Nov. 15, 1851.

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IN PRAISE OF THE RESTORATION OF THE  
EVERLASTING GOSPEL.

O HAIL to the day and the hour unhidden,  
The angel of God was seen,  
Flying first in the midst of heaven,  
With his cry to mankind;  
It was the everlasting gospel,  
Hosts will testify together,  
That a blessing was restored back,  
To all the inhabitants of the world.

God is unchangeable,  
His plan is the same,  
They who respect this can return,  
Easily back to his bosom;  
All the heavenly and merciful  
Promises of the Holy Ghost,  
The Saints who are pure in heart possess,  
Staunchly great and small.

How sweet this gospel is,  
To the hosts in dire poverty,  
Who proclaim the full covenant,  
Through the ATONEMENT of dear Jesus.  
May the voice of the missionaries of Jesus go,  
Through the corners of all of Wales,  
And across the ends of the great earth,  
May every language glorify their song.

Let us shout hosanna with all our might,  
For the offering of Calvary;

Hosanna, let us repeat again the psalm,  
 As a balm to our wounds;  
 Hosts have been washed,  
 In the praise of the Lamb, Amen;  
 Let us join with one tune,  
 To put the crown on his head.

GWILYM COLLWYN.

[Since our correspondent has composed a tune for the above verses, we would like to see it.—EDITOR.]


### MISCELLANEOUS, &c.

ELDER J. TAYLOR.—It appears that brother Taylor emigrated on the 6th of March, on the steamship Niagara, from Liverpool to Boston, in the company of Elders T. D. Brown, J. W. Coward, and W. Collinson, and others. Brother Taylor has completed his mission, and has done a great work. Among other things he has been instrumental in organizing the “Deseret Manufacturing Company,” of four partners, with a capital of £50,000 to start with. The first operation of the Company has been to send the machinery to the Valley to refine 300 tons of sugar from the beet each season. This machinery went out on the “Rockaway” the same day as brother Taylor, at the expense of £2,500, and it will require fifty wagons to carry it from the Bluffs to the Valley. The best beet seed has been sent beforehand. Brother Taylor would have addressed the Saints through the Star before leaving, except he was so busy with the above company, and finishing his book on the “Government of God,” which is now ready for the press, and which we have the freedom, if we wish, of translating it.

ELD. ERASTUS SNOW.—Brother Snow arrived in Liverpool from Denmark on the 8th of March, together with 19 of the Danish Saints from Copenhagen. This company emigrated, together with the small company which had previously arrived, on board the Italy, on the 11th. Eld. W. Snow will go to Denmark in place of brother E. Snow.

PAYMENTS FROM MARCH 17 TO MARCH 31.—Monmouthshire, £2; West Glamorgan, £3 10s; Caernarvonshire, 13s 9c; Denbighshire, £1 5s; Pembrokeshire, 10s; Rhymney, £2 2s; Georgetown, 11s; Troedyrhiw, 5s; Llanilltyd, £1 10s; Dowlais, 16s 1½c; Pendaren, 15s; Pontfaen, 10s (March 10).—Total £14 7s 10½c.

ERROR.—At the bottom of page 90, No. 6, in place of “in their hearts,” it should read “in their foreheads.”

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