To the Women of America.

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A Thesia.

INSCRIBED TO LITTLE CAROLIN BOW, BY A FRIEND OF HER MOTHER.

The faint, sweet golden of the winter sun,
Glimmered softly through the twilight of my youth.

Quiet I lay upon my dying bed,
Awaiting the last hour of doom.
Yet, calmly, with my spirit unclouded.
And, though dying, yet could feel new life.

The shining world I gazed upon,
Though it might all be a rest from the air.

I saw the angel's breast gently gliss,
And smilingly looked up to him.

With his eyes I saw the heart of worlds,
Revealed capable for one last embrace.

He was the first to come and I knew he could not be.

His heart's called all alone in the sky.
But though all powerless to give response.
I felt upon my lips a hush's kiss pure.
A bliss so unexpectedly rare and sweet.

It filled my soul and lingering as a shadow,
And His voice, gentle, tenderly said.
My child consents unto Thine tender coax.
I saw him well, and for the moment, a pang
Shot through my soul, that I alone was lost.
As through the mystic depths, the souls
Of Glory opened in the golden West.
Then I heard, Crookly touched my hand,
Whispering softly, "Bless, let us go hence.

Leaving behind this outer world of born.
To a world of spirits, where I am.

I turned and looked upon my infant's head,
Such weight of beauty in its infancy.
Except the imprint of that godly brain.

Of it I was to see in heaven's sight.
Under whose long hair, let its length help me.
And it kissed me, from my earthly lips.
And my soul's peace, the angel's peace.

I followed then the angels' steps,
And through the high, the sky's gates of bliss.
And on the steep, the steps of pearl.
I gave me, as my passport, my babe's kiss.

-from the History of Polygamy.

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A Vision.

Inscribed to "Little" Carl Cole by a Friend of His Mother.

The faint, sweet golden of the winter's morning
Gleamed softly through the twilight of my room.
Quietly I lay upon my dying bed,
Urging calmly the last hour of life.
Yet, still, for my spirit was at peace,
And I, though dying, yet could feel new life.

The mystery of death, I dreaded it,
Though it might only prove a rest from strife.
I saw the angel Death gently go,
And smilingly look up to his face.
While friends with passionate, despairing eyes,
Entreated respite for one last embrace.
His prayer? his prayer? but he would not relent.
He had forestalled their love alone in this.

A Kiss so exquisitely pure and sweet,
It filled my soul with lingering alarms.
"Ah! Christ, I said, in memory of Thy birth,
My child commune to Thy tender arms.
I saw him well, and for the nonce, a pang Shot through my soul, that I alone was blest.

As through the mystic purple gloom, the gates
is substantially true, but those who have studied closely the early history.

Mormonism, are convinced that polygamy is latent in it from its very conception. The practice and the ideas of the revelation were no mere accidents or afterthoughts on the part of the natural born libertine who proposed them.

Stenhouse, in the Rocky Mountain Saints, speaking of the early history of Mormonism, says even at that time a few of the new converts appear to have exhibited the notions of morality. Of these, some were charged with being adulterers and adulteresses, some stated, to have been turned away, and others were warned to beware and repent. And why, it may be asked, were these irregularities so perceptible, even in the first days of the new sect? Stenhouse answers this question very satisfactorily in another sentence: "All through the history of the church, during the lifetime of Joseph, may be noticed a disposition to free the people from evil."

During the year 1831 Joseph claimed to have received a great number of revelations. In the one of Aug. 1st of that year, occurs this one very particular statement: "With whom God is angry, he is not well pleased," and there is another dated March 8, 1831, which commences: "Verily, my son, thy sins are given thee, etc."

Stenhouse remarks, none of these revelations is almost required to explain the meaning, but there are persons living in Utah today who know the reason why these revelations were obtained, and who can also point out the precise nature of the sin for which the Lord forgave his servant Joseph. One particular case will be sufficient for illustration. Emma Smith, Joseph's wife, had a young girl in her employment. She had sworn to the fact that Joseph told them at different times, but always in strictest confidence, that the time had come for the practice of the doctrine, and an angel with a drawn sword had appeared, threatening him with eternal destruction, if he did not step forward and establish it. It has been claimed that the angel threatened him with immediate annihilation if he did not write after his dictation, but this statement rests on very vague and doubtful authority. Even Wm. Clayton, who would be willing to give it as much "divine" authenticity as possible, simply says that he wrote it word for word as Joseph dictated to him.

In this autobiography, Smith states that when he was about the age of fifteen, there was a religious revival in Manchester, V. where he lived, and he received religious impressions. It was while praying in the woods one day that he had his first vision, two glorious apparitions being presented to him. It was three years, and also a half, before he had another vision, when he received the communication relative to the "plates on which the Book of Mormon" was inscribed. Smith gives a very full account of what the angel said to him on this occasion, but nothing is mentioned about the peculiar doctrine. Yet Brigham Young is on record as having said that the "prince of all" and marriage was one of the first things that had to do with Joseph — and this before Mormonism started.

In the summer of 1878, Apostle Orson Pratt addressed the Josephite who remarked, his remarks he stated that as early as 1831 the prophet Joseph told Lyman F. Johnson confidentially that polygamy was a true principle and would be established in the tarrying and feathering of the prophet is in going very far fetched. It is the opinion of friends of what Smith thought of their brother Lyman about polygamy. There are many other authentic instances of similar nature which go to prove that Smith never received a revelation unless there was special necessity for it.

A Valuable Book.

"Counsel to Parents on the Moral Education of Children" by Dr. Elizabeth Blackwell, is a book which discusses, with singular intelligence, delicacy, plainness and earnestness, the subject of which is it is impossible to exaggerate — the moral education of youth considered in relation to sex. This is the third edition. It is a book worthy of the widest circulation. It is with a keen sense of responsibility, says the author, that I venture to lay before the wide community of parents a subject which must necessarily bring forward questions not generally considered suitable for public instruction. I know, however, from long medical experience, that such instruction is now needed and ought no longer to be withheld by physicians. If not given by those authorized to give it, those who are immediately responsible for the health of the nation are not, I believe, given by those who are not qualified to instruct, given on the wrong way, and with injurious results. The reason, for instability, for perfect morality, early life, and all through life — reason relating to the physical health, to moral courage, to the home, to society, to the nation, to the very foundation of the world.
It has been claimed by many Mormons who do not believe in the doctrine of plural marriage, that it was not originally a part of the Mormon creed, but that the pretended revelation was cunningly devised by Joseph Smith to cover up his own immorality, and for the assistance of his followers, who were disgusted with the amount of scandal which the loose conduct of their leader occasioned.

This statement is universally accepted as a fact among non-Mormons, and it

to have received thirty-seven distinct revelations. In the one of August of that year, he received one very peculiar statement: "Wheat, he is not well pleased; and there is another dated March 8, 1831, which commences, "Verily, my son, thy sins are forgiven thee, etc." As Stenhouse remarks, another revelation was emphatically expressed to explain the meaning, but the true meaning of the revelation in Utah to-day who know the reasons why these revelations were obtained, and who can also point out the precise nature of the sin for which "the Lord forgave his servant Joseph." One part of the prophecy was fulfilled, as a large number of people were born in 1831.

It was at that time the present Joseph Smith was an infant, as he was born in November 1832, and in consequence of the free-loveism of the prophet, Emery was not too much regarded, and for several months was in a very low condition. She discovered that Joseph had been celibatizing with this maiden, Fanny, who acknowledged the truth, but Joseph denied it to her, and stigmatized the character of the girl as a base fabrication. Emma, Joseph's daughter, as she was very well aware, had no confidence that she could place her in her household, and she became terribly worked up about it. She was like a mad woman, and acted so violently that Cowdery and some other elders were called in to help her, and "cast the devil out of Emma." Whatever may have been sister Emma's other faults, she certainly must have had a very forbearing and forgiving disposition, for she continued this offense as well as imprisoning.

Joseph was always very reticent about the matters of his family. Several persons received the communication relative to the plates on which the "Book of Mormon," was inscribed. Smith gives a very full account of all the angel said to him on this occasion; but nothing is mentioned of the peculiar doctrine; yet Brigham Young is on record as having said that "the principle of celestial marriage was one of the most important points revealed to Joseph," and this before Mormonism started.

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This Lyman E. Johnson, who was a brother of Mrs. Orson Hyde, was the first apostle called when the quorum of the twelve was established in Kirtland, Ohio, in 1835. When Orson Pratt said that he and Johnson traveled and ministered together, he referred to him during the intimacy engendered by this close companionship. Pratt had probably told this to the Josephites, to controvert their statements that Smith was a polygamist, but also proved what they had previously said, that polygamy was not a new thing, but the legitimate fruit of Mormonism, and what Johnson told Pratt was true.

The following incident occurred without this, with no shadow of doubt?

We take pleasure in announcing that we have arranged to ship with the Union, the organ of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. This paper has lately been enlarged and improved, and is now without competition, the best temperance paper in the country.

The name of the writer, Margaret Williams, is sufficient guarantee for its literary excellence, while Mr. Fitch, who is charged with the publishing department, is well known for his neatness and ability. We will furnish the Union and the Steward together for 24 25 cents more than the regular subscription price of our paper. We are also at liberty to make arrangements with others of our well-known publishers.

We heartily thank those of our subscribers who have renewed their subscription to the Steward, and in addition to Lyman, three other persons have also renewed their subscription to the new church, and "have united" with their own. Well. Most of the subscriptions in the winter of 1831-32. When those who are still in arrears kindly the fact is known that these brothers settle up, as well as renew.
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The Fate of Madame La Tour.

The second installment of Mrs. A. G. Fielding’s new book is most interesting to the reader and is a highly respectable performance. The author’s subject is America’s Valley of Death. The story is presented in a novel and captivating form, and the plot is skillfully woven into the fabric of the narrative. The book is highly recommended to those interested in the subject of Mormonism.

The Election.

On August 1, the election will be held for members of the Legislature, and also for several precinct officers. The election is of great importance to the community. The Liberal party has placed a number of candidates in the field, and their nomination is a source of pride and confidence to the people. The women will turn out in force, and assist in electing those who represent their interests.

To Our Subscribers.

A half dollar, or a dollar is a small sum to the majority of our subscribers, and it amounts to a sacrifice to the publishers of the journal. However, we are sending you this issue of the Standard with the assurance that your subscription is valued highly and that your support is greatly appreciated. The cost of publication is borne by the subscribers, and we are grateful for your continued support.

The School of Salt Lake City.

The Mission School under the control of the Mission Board is making good progress. The school is well equipped with modern facilities and is being conducted by qualified teachers. The children are receiving a good education, and the school is becoming increasingly popular among the community.

Why we will not fail.

The Anti-Polygamy Standard is committed to the cause of justice and equality. We will not fail to publish the truth, regardless of the opposition. Our goal is to inform the public and to promote the ideals of freedom and justice.

PRESIDENT GAY: A DEED.

Now that the President is an almoner of the United States, he will be able to help the poor and the needy. The country is grateful for the way he has been working for the interests of the nation. His wisdom and experience have been invaluable to the country. We are grateful for his contribution to our nation.

The Standard.

The Standard is a weekly publication dedicated to the cause of anti-polygamy. It is published in Salt Lake City and is read throughout the community. The Standard is dedicated to the ideals of justice and equality, and it is committed to informing the public about the dangers of polygamy.

TROTS ACKNOWLEDGE THE TRUTH.

The Trots, a well-known group, acknowledge the truth of our statements. They are aware that the Brigham Young Church has long been involved in the practice of polygamy, and they support the movement to end this practice.

Conclusion.

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-Harriet Beecher Stowe

The Last Chord

Seated one day at the organ,
I too, and sad and last I sat;
And my fingers wander'd idly
Over the noisy keys.

I know, not what I was playing,
Or what I was dreaming then;
But it seemed to me a blessed
Like the sound of a great Amen.

It floated the crimson twilight,
Like the close of an angel's psalm;
With a touch of infinite calm.

It quieted pain and sorrow,
Like love overcoming strife;
It seemed the harmonious echo
Of the voice of the immortal.

It linked all perplexed meanings
Into one perfect peace,
And trembled away into silence
As if it were too sweet to cease.

I have sought, but I seek vainly
That one lost chord divine,
That came from the soul of the organ
And entered into mine.

It may be that Death's bright angels
Whisper it to one again;
Or it may be that it is
From the history of the first plural marriages.

It may be interesting, perhaps, for those who are acquainted with the early history of Mormonism, to know that the practice was carried to the first plural marriages that ever took place in the Mormon Church. It is a fact well known by old Nasbige Mormons, many of whom have lived to tell the story of how Joseph Smith contemplated having the Revelation for sometime before avowing he had received it. When he did, however, he was not able to act on it, for he was then only a few intimate friends whose trust was to be his guide in the new doctrine, because they could not close their eyes to the numerous objections of the people. One brother had the temerity to ask him how it happened that he knew so well the will of God before he had chosen to reveal it. The Church Records have not preserved the prophet's reply, but it must have been very convincing, as that same brother soon embraced the divine doctrine, and practiced it with unconquerable faithfulness. And his subsequent success as the...
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