"I also want an expression from this meeting on the subject of polygamy as some teach that it will yet be a law of this church."

(See page 10) The polygamic question was discussed when it was resolved unanimously that the First Presidency and Quorum of the Twelve declare to the church that they know of no law teaching or sanctioning the doctrine of sealing relating to marriage for eternity.

"The question of sealing was reconsidered when it was resolved that the First Presidency of this church and the Quorum of the Twelve declare to the church that the doctrine of Sealing as relating to marriage for eternity is a heresy."

"The question arose as to whether Joseph the Martyr taught the doctrine of polygamy. President Marks said Brother -- Hyrum came to his place once and told him he did not believe in it and he was going to see Joseph about it and if he had a revelation on the subject he would believe it. And after that Hyrum read a revelation on it in High
Council and He Marks felt that it was not true but he saw the High Council received it."

Pg 25 - Line 4 April 5, 1866

"On the second item in aforesaid communication (a letter from California) the following resolution was offered and lost. Resolved that the son of God recognizes marriage as an institution of heaven and cannot be abrogated only for the crime of adultery, therefore notwithstanding the law of the land grants divorce for other causes yet the saints having covenanted to be governed by the revelations of heaven, cannot consistently be separated without a violation of their covenant and under such circumstances the persons separating themselves are unworthy of the fellowship of the saints.

Resolved that any member of this church having been lawfully married and having put away their companions for any other cause than for the cause of adultery, is [unworthy] of the fellowship of the saints of God and that the church be careful with all inquiry that they receive none such into the church if they have put away their companions for adultery they themselves being the offenders.

Pg 28 - Line 1 April 7, 1866

"Resolved that Pres't W. Marks, J L Rogers and W. W. Blair be appointed a committee to confer with Sister Emma Bidamon, respecting the relinquishment of the Mss. of the N. T. of Scriptures for the purpose of publishing the same to the church and to the world and the said committee be empowered to enter into and fulfill the contract for the same.
"Resolved that Alexander H. Smith be appointed to take charge of
California Mission, and that he be empowered to chose a fellow laborer.
Resolved that [ed] He Smith be ordained a High Priest."

"E. Ells said that Hugh Herringshaw declared that he heard Joseph
tell the 12 that they must abandon polygamy and turned to Brigham
Young and asked him if he was willing to do so - Young said he had
been asleep, then Joseph spoke upon the matter as only he could talk
denouncing the doctrine of polygamy - Brigham replied that he and
Taylor had determined what course they would pursue."

"The following Resolution was put and tabled. Resolved that we do not
believe that the revelation, alledged to have come through Joseph Smith,
the Martyr, authorizing polygamy or spiritual wifery came from God,
nither do we believe that Joseph Smith was in any wise the author or
excuser of these doctrine; J. W. Briggs, Z. H. Gurley, E. C. Briggs
and John Shippy defended the resolution, W. W. Briggs, Josiah Ells &
C Perry opposed it on the grounds that its passage would be more
injurious than good because of the almost universal opinion among the
saints that Joseph was in some way connected with it. J. W. Briggs,
moved it be tabled and hence the resolution was lost. President Smith
then told us that the passage of the resolution would do more injury
than good."
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Pg 2 - Line 8  April 4, 1865

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to marriage for eternity.

Pg 10 - Line 14  May 1, 1865 Special Council

"The question of sealing was reconsidered when
it was resolved that the First Presidency of this
church and the Quorum of the Twelve declare to
the church that the doctrine of sealing as re-
lating to marriage for eternity is a heresy."

Pg 11 - Line 15  "Wednesday Morning"

"The question arose as to
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polygamy. President Marks said Brother-
Hyrum came to his place once and told him he did
not believe in it and he was going to see Joseph
about it and if he had a revelation on the subject
he would believe it, and after that Hyrum
read a revelation on it in High Council
and the Marks felt that it was not true. But
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On the second item in the fore said communication the following resolution was offered and lost:

Resolved that the law of God recognizes marriage as an institution of heaven and cannot be annulled only for the cause of adultery; therefore notwithstanding the law of the land grants divorce for other causes yet the saints having committed to be governed by the revelations of heaven, cannot consistently be separated without a violation of their covenant and under such circumstances the persons separating themselves are unworthy of the fellowship of the saints.

Resolved that any member of this Church having been lawfully married and having put away their companions for any other cause than for the cause of adultery, is unworthy of the fellowship of the saints of God and that the Church be careful with all inquiry that they receive none such into the church if they have put away their companions for adultery they themselves being the offenders.

Resolved that Paris; W. Marks, J. L. Rodgers and W. W. B lain be appointed a committee to confer with Sister Emma Bitman, respecting the religious instruction of the men of the N.T. of scripture for the purpose of publishing the same to the church and to the world and the said committee be empowered to enter into and fulfill the contract for the same.
Pg 29 - Line 1 "Thursday morning, April 12, 1866."
"Resolved that Alexander H. Smith be appointed to take charge of California Mission, and that he be empowered to choose a fellow laborer.
Resolved that [2] He Smith be ordained a High Priest."

Pg 33 - Line 20 Tues. (April 9, 1867?)
"E. Ellis said that Hugh Romney declared that he heard Joseph tell the 12 that they must abandon polygamy and turn to Brigham Young and asked him if he was willing to do so. Young said he had been asleep, then Joseph spoke upon the matter as only he could talk, denouncing the doctrine of polygamy. Brigham replied that he and Taylor had determined what course they would pursue."

Pg 34, Line 21 Tues. 7 P.M. (April 9, 1867?)
"The following resolution was put and tabled.
Resolved that we do not believe that the revelation, alleged to have come through Joseph Smith, is from God, either do we believe that Joseph Smith was in any wise the Author or Exposer of these doctrine; J.W. Bragg, Z. H. Curley, E.C. Bragg and John Shippee defended the resolution, W.W. Bragg, Joseph Ellis & C. Perry opposed it on the ground that its passage would be more injurious than good because of the almost universal opinion among the Saints that Joseph was in some way connected with it. J.W. Bragg moved it be tabled and hence the resolution was lost. President Smith then told us that the passage of the resolution would do more injury than good."