MORMONISM EXPOSED,
IN ITS
SWINDLING AND LICENTIOUS ABOMINATIONS,
REFUTED IN ITS PRINCIPLES,
AND IN THE
CLAIMS OF ITS HEAD,
THE MODERN MOHAMMED,
JOSEPH SMITH,
WHO IS PROVED TO HAVE BEEN A DECEIVER,
AND NO PROPHET OF GOD.

BY JOHN BOWES.

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prained and slain for standing by the truth. Joseph Smith's evil deeds brought upon himself the enmity of an enraged community. Real christians, well trained in their duty, would not have joined his party, let his destroyers scorn to have been man trained by himself to deeds of blood.

As it was the spiritual wish system which, with other crimes, hastened the imputation of death, the imposture of a name.

C노Noi의Nast—This is the highest order of the Mormon heresies, and is composed of women, or persons unchristian, as secret spiritual wives. When an apostle, high-priest, elder, or similar consecrates an election for a man, and has assumed his views on the subject, he communicates confidentially to the prophet his love-affair, and requests him to inquire of the Lord whether or not it would be right and proper for him to take unto himself this woman for his spiritual wife. It is no obstacle whatever to this spiritual marriage if one or both of the parties should happen to have a husband or wife already united to them according to the laws of the land.

The prophet puts this singular question to the Lord, and, if he receives an answer in the affirmative, which is always the case where the parties are in favor with the president, the parties assemble in the lodge-room, consecrated by a duly authorized administrator, and place themselves, kneeling, before the other the administrator consummates the ceremony by saying:

"Ye, separately and jointly, in the name of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, do solemnly covenant and agree that you will not dissemble any matter relating to the sacred act now in progress of consecration, whereby any Gentile shall come in knowledge of the secret purposes of this order, or whereby the solemnity may suffer perversion, your lives being the forfeit.

After the vow is assent is given by each of the pair, the administrator proceeds:

"In the name of Jesus Christ, and by the authority of the holy priesthood, I now consecrate you and set you apart, by the imposition of my hands, as husband and wife, according to the laws of Zion, and to the will of God our heavenly Father, in all things as is expedient, and we now agree to serve him with a perfect heart and willing mind, and to obey his prophet in all things according to his will."

Again the assent is given by the man and woman, and, after some vows have been pronounced by the administrator, the parties rise and embrace each other, after which he concludes that:

"According to the prototype, I now pronounce you one flesh, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."

The parties leave the chamber generally a keen belief, at least on the part of the female, in the sacredness and validity of the ceremonial, and consider themselves as united in spiritual marriage, the duties and privileges of which are in no particular different from those of any other marriage ceremony. Observing the axiomisation; it even goes beyond socialism, for the sacred name and authority of God is brought to all the ceremony of the female, and to perpetuate immorality. The above is taken from John G. Bennett's Book; and we must resolve, as there are sufficient, and that this evidence is corroborated by Martin Brotherton, and many others. (See pp. 114-115.)

I trust that the fathers, and mothers, and husbands of England, will take care of their wives and daughters, and preserve them from ever being systematized by the pestilential besoms of adulterers and fornicators.

As to numbers, although they came to England in 1837, in 1843, in a paper signed "Oxonian Spencer," they boasted "fifteen thousand in the kingdom of Great Britain," and "one hundred thousand throughout the world.

From all the evidence than can be collected, it appears that all kinds of characters join them. The simple and honest, and the crafty and dishonest. It is believed that their leaders are completely mad, while many have a firm reliance on their pretended revelations. In this country, they seem to be allied with all who will admit, and to their belief in wine and their table assess, which they call the Lord's supper, to any one who will take it, however ignorant, and to children as immoral persons.

The following statement confirms what precedes:

"In the Spring of 1837, I left Boston for Kirkcaldy, in all good faith, to assemble with the saints, to see the reality of the thing. On my arrival, I found brother going to live with brother, drunkenness prevailing to a great extent, and every species of wickedness. Joseph Smith, a prophet of God, (as he called himself,) was under arrest for employing two of the elders to kill a man by the name of Grantor Newell, belonging to Mentor, but was acquitted, as the most material witnesses did not appear. I was personally acquainted with one of the employes, Davis by name; and he frankly acknowledged to me that he was prepared to do the deed under the direction of the prophet, and was only prevented by the treatment of his wife. There was much excitement against the prophet on another account, viz., an unlawful intercourse between himself and a young orphan girl residing in his family, and under his protection. Mr. Martin Harris told me that the prophet was on numerous occasions by being and badmait. In the fall of 1837, the Smith family all left Kirkcaldy, by resolutions, for Missouri. The prophet left between two days. I arrived from this place (Boston) to Kirkcaldy, goods to the amount of about one thousand four hundred dollars, as I was told I could make resale sales to the saints; but I was disappointed. I accordingly sent them to Missouri to be sold by H. Redfield. There they were stored up in a private room. Smith, the prophet, hearing that they were there, took out a warrant, under pretense of searching for stolen goods, and got them into his possession. They were then, by a sainc court which he held, adjudged to him, and the boxes were opened. As the goods were taken out, piece by piece, Hyrum Smith, who stood by, said, in the most positive manner, that he could search to every piece, and tell where they had been bought, although a Mr. Relphins, who was present, told them that he knew the bose, and that the goods were mines, and I had charged him to take care of them. Mr. Williams, likewise, told them that they were my goods, and that Hyrum never saw a piece of them. They, however, refused to give them up, but in defiance of law and justice, he took the goods out of the house." This affair was published September 1842, signed, "Ranny Brewer.

Several cases of the Mormon spiritual wife doctrine have occurred in England; and I have the names of the parties, but I prefer giving those which have already appeared in print. The following is from the "Weekly Times," April 8, 1840:

Extraordinary case of Saunders, ag. by a Mormon preacher. Cheltenham, Wednesday morning. The fashionable neighbourhoods of Cheltenham, Tettenbury, and the surrounding districts, have been greatly excited.

In other words, that during the night.
commit themselves to the den of Mormon superstition. It will be seen it accords with the oath of Obedience, given on p. 21.

The Wickedness of Mormon Apostles, Parents, &c.—The English Mormons are ruled by Americans of the worst character, in every sense of the word. They pervert the scriptures which refer to Zion, Palestine, and Jerusalem, and precisely apply the prophecies of a race who expect Christ to come soon, to go to America. And under pretense of meeting them, and removing from the heathen nations, to be beyond the reach of the divine judgments, they have adhered thousands of poor souls, partly by heresy, partly by the assistance of Haley. In the course of a week after, the affair came under the notice of Mr. Preston, who came to the rescue of his own, and demanded to see the child, when the Latter-day Saints never had any thing to do with any persons except their brethren and sisters in Christ. From the state of "Sister Hobber," Mr. Preston went to Mr. Hebbard, the superintendent of the police, who also went to the house, when he saw Brother Baylis. Having made known his object in calling, Baylis inquired by whose authority he came, when he said, "I am the wife of the Lechi God of heaven." Sister Hobber had a bitter smile, and turned her face away. "You are a woman, and have been treated with reverential respect, on account of your sex. You shall be allowed to have your child with you, to see your husband, and every other person in the world."

As it is known that the Danite Band, or the Destroying Angel, is a secret society for perpetuating Mormonism by deeds of blood, it may be well to insert the oath taken by each member: "In the name of Jesus Christ the Son of God, I do hereby agree to support the First Presidency of the church and to swear that I will, to the best of my ability, promote the cause of Mormonism by any lawful means, and in case of need, will defend and assist the church at all hazards, and will, to the best of my ability, assist the church in all its projects, by the oaths administered to me." This oath is taken as a symbol of the sacred trust placed in the hands of the wearer. The oath is made known to all the brethren, who are expected to keep it, or face the consequences. The brethren are expected to keep it, or face the consequences.
**Extract from a Letter to H. Thompson.**

Sirs, Smith did not deny what Martha relates, but stated that Brigham Young and he did it to try her, as they had heard an evil report of her. All intelligent English people leave them when they get to America, unless the women are naturally infidel in nature.

Michael Youngman, Mormon, Henderson county, Illinois, and John Smith, not a Mormon, has lived in the United States, and then found Boston, and another Mormon, taking off the sinews of the useful animal whilst Shrewsbury, another town, was waiting on the river with a load to take the beef. While watching the animals, Youngman tells him he married three wives, the first being the second wife. Ground jury took him up for bigamy. He married a decent girl at Illinois, and said he married a man, married such a man, married the American woman educated in bad families.

Joseph Smith, Brigham Young, and others, got Dr. Williams to publish 10,000,000 counterfeit dollars. A true bill was found by the grand jury, Lye society, Jews, against Brigham Young.

Such is the testimony of an eye and ear witness, not a Mormon, who has lived among them for years.

The following letter to Henry Thompson of Sheffield, from George Styles of Liverpool, whose son went to America, will explain itself.

**Extract from a Letter to H. Thompson.**

Liverpool, May 16, 1848.

Dear Brother,

Your kind letter was duly received; and according to your request I send you the following extracts, taken from the letters which my son sent to me from America. Would any persons have any doubts respecting this letter, if they will come to my residence, No. 5, Marychurch, Liverpool, I shall show them the original letters which I have received from my son, from some of which few extracts are taken —- Dear father, your temporal salvation, and the same as your spiritual salvation, is very much endangered if you suffer yourself to be led away by the errors and preachers that ever trade upon God's footstool. You may think this hard language, but it is too true; and people can be had, if necessary, how they have defrauded the people—not only robbed them of their money, but of their wives and daughters, and if they said anything about it, no more to do than murder them.

I will give you an instance. A gentleman in his early life; some forty years ago, an old man gave up all, thinking they would keep him and his wife, as he (Brigham) told him they would. A little while after, a sister, one of Brigham's spiritual wives, called at his house. She got all out of the old woman that she had some money hid in a certain part of the house, unknown to her husband. Next day Brigham called and told the old woman that he had received a revelation from the Lord, that she had money hid in a certain part of the house; for that the Lord had told him where the money was concealed it. This so frightened the old woman, that she fell upon her knees and confessed all about it. Then one of them immediately brought the money out, whilst the vultures were, and the poor old couple are starved in Nauvoo, by them. They have a law that every body must pay the money at the heart's desire, and if they do not pay, or he cannot pay, he is looked upon for a thief, and they will begin to tell the people how Arthur and Sarah suffered; and that they did not fall down for telling a lie, but that Peter killed them.

They pretend that they can tell whether a man belongs to the seed of Abraham. If it is so happen that he belongs to the royal blood of Israel, he can have as many wives as he chooses; but he must take care to not be married by any secular minister, for fear of the laws of the States. If a man take a fancy to a woman, no matter whether she be married or single provided he has got money, he goes to Brigham, and says, for the price of the woman. As soon as the bargain is settled, Brigham sends one of his female spies to invite the woman to take ten with her. During the repeat Brigham calls it as if he was dead; he tells her he knows a man with a certain name from the Lord that her husband cannot save her, for it is the will of God that she should have such a man, and must be married to him. He tells her, with a little more of "thus saith the Lord," very often sets; but if the woman loves her husband, Brigham willing to do the will of the Lord, he then pronounces the most sacred and bloodstained curse upon the poor creature until she is frightened into a compliance with his will.

I will give you a proof of the above operation. A man who came to work at the pottery in Cincinnati, told me he was obliged to flee from Nauvoo for fear of his life; for that his wife had been sold by Brigham, but she proved too sharp for him. She seemed to believe his resolution, was put away from him. As soon as she got home she informed her husband of the whole transaction. During the period of the affair to his husband, his father came into the house in a most wild and frantic manner. He told his son that he wanted his advice and assistance immediately; for that his mother had been sold by Brigham, just in the same way as his own wife had been sold a few hours ago. The father and son became almost mad with rage. The son made no secret of his intentions to shoot Brigham; but the son happened to have a friend in the Davids head who told him to leave after night, or he would be taken out to the prairie and have his grave dug. They then followed him to St. Louis; but he got notice of their coming, which gave him time to flee to Cincinnati where the Mormons were being harried not very far off.

There was a man came to America named Allen, whom they forced to marry a niecy. Apostle Youngworth managed to borrow 250 from him to Liverpool. He paid him back again by getting him to buy a house of his in Nauvoo for 250, not worth the 250, for they sell all the Gentiles.

To any person who may happen to have an instance how Moses, Brigham and Co. get their revolutions. An aged farmer and his wife sold their farm in England and came to Nauvoo; the farmers that they were landed. Brigham immediately paid them a visit, and told them that they must lay their money down at the mouth of the apostles, and they would be provided for all their lives. An old man gave up all, thinking they would keep him and his wife, as he (Brigham) told them they would. A little while after, a sister, one of Brigham's spiritual wives, called at his house. She got all out of the old woman that she had some money hid in a certain part of the house, unknown to her husband. Next day Brigham called and told the old woman that he had received a revelation from the Lord, that she had money hid in a certain part of the house; for that the Lord had told him where the money was concealed it. This so frightened the old woman, that she fell upon her knees and confessed all about it. Then one of them immediately brought the money out, whilst the vultures were, and the poor old couple are starved in Nauvoo, by them.

There is a house of slavery where the Mormons are, where they have slaves but they are called-headed women.

There was a man named George Staker, who came to England with it, was mentioning the place where they have slaves, and he was a missionary. When he got to Nauvoo he found that his wife had got a child, and the man who did the deed had left her and his own wife, and gone into the wilderness with another man's wife.

Enoch Hyde said upon the stand at Nauvoo, that after the elders had been out, and come back from mizing the Gentiles or the English, they would get plenty of striping or croon. Old Clark put his tongue in the side of his mouth, and said, I can do it, I can do it as well as you.
May 21, 1847

Pr Joseph told us the first time he had a Revival Meeting his mother Pr Sister got religion; he wanted to get religion too. He wanted to feel a little about like the rest but could feel nothing. He opened his Bible at the first passage that struck him was if any man lack wisdom let him ask of God who giveth to all men liberality & upbraideth not. He went into the wood to pray, knelt himself down, his tongue was as bitter as his roof - could not utter a word, felt easier after a while.

A fire towards heaven came near & nearer. He saw a personage in the fire, light complexion blue eyes, a piece of white cloth drawn over his shoulders, his right arm bear after a while a other person came to the side of the first. Mr Smith then asked must I join the Methodist Church? No - they are not my people, they all have gone astray there is none that doeth good. No, not one, but this is my beloved son, harken ye him, the fire drew higher.

Rested upon the tree enveloped him.
conducted indeavoured to arise but fell
unconem seable - got into the house told the
Methodist priest, said this was not a are
for God to Reveal himself in Vision Revelation
has ceased with the New Testament

Told about Mr Mr Law - wished to be
Married to his Wife for Eternity Mr Smith said
would Inquire of the Lord Answer no because
Law was a Adulterous person Mrs Law
wanted to know why she could not be Married
to Mr Law Mr S said would not would her
Feeling by telling her, some days after Mr Smith
going toward his Office Mrs Law stood in the
door beckoned to him more the once did not
Know whether she beckoned to him went across
to Inquire yes please to walk in as one
but herself in the house, she drawing her
Arms around him if you went seal me
to my husband Seal myself unto you, he
Said stand away & pushing her Gently aside
giving her a denial & going out, when Mr
Law came home he Inquireth who had
been in his Absense, she said no one
but Mr Joseph, he then demanded what had passed
Mrs L then told Joseph wasseth her to be Married
to him--------Read German..............
Family Group Record

Husband's Name
William ARROWSMITH (AFN:B82P-T9)
Born: Abt 1819
Married: 29 Jan (div) 1839
Place: Hale, Westmoreland, England
Father:
Mother:

Wife's Name
Elizabeth TAYLOR (AFN:1BJ4-XQ)
Born: 4 Sep 1819
Died: 31 Jul 1909
Buried: Aug 1909
Married: 29 Jan (div) 1839
Place: Hale, Westmoreland, England
Place: Big Cottonwood, Salt Lake, Utah
Place: Hale, Westmoreland, Eng
Father: James TAYLOR (AFN:28GL-TT)
Mother: Agnes TAYLOR (AFN:1BJ4-CS)

Children

1. Sex Name
M
John Taylor ARROWSMITH (AFN:2WKF-H2)
Born: 25 Dec 1841
Died: 3 Feb 1910
Buried: 7 Feb 1910
Place: Millersborough, Mercer, Il
Place: Rexburg, Madison, Id
Place: Lewisville Cem, Lewisville, Jefferson, Id
Elizabeth Taylor b. 4 Sept. 1819 Hale, Westmorland, England
d. 31 July 1889 din Lumphord, U.S.

Agnes Taylor b. 2 Oct. 1821 Hale, Parson, Lancashire, Westmorland, England
d. 16 Dec. 1911 see

m. William Altherick
29 Jan. 1839 (dvi) Hale, England

m. George Boye
16 July 1847 no filials
WHO IS THE LIAR?

In order to prove the statements I made, and to clear myself, I have taken this list from Mr. Bowen's Book.

Rebuttal of the Lists.

1st. Mr. P. P. Pratt never had an agency at New Orleans; when Brotherhood sailed. — Page 4.

2nd. That the English President was always in America. — Page 4.

3rd. That is written in the "Book of Doctrine and Covenants," that Peter, James, and John, did not die, but are now living upon the earth. — Page 37.

4th. Smith's Angel only discovered the plates, and did not preach at all. — Page 47.

5th. That Smith's Angel whispered in the dark.

6th. Smith's Angel only addressed Smith.

7th. No one heard Smith's Angel but himself.

8th. Smith's Angel only revealed the plates.

9th. States that James Boggs and Miss Holder were Latter-Day Saints. — Page 61.

10th. That Elder Wheelock has three wives. — Page 64.

11th. Nobody can find a real miracle performed by any Mormon. — Page 45.

12th. That Smith taught a system of polygamy. — Page 11.

13th. That Joseph Smith tried to seduce Martha Brotherton. — Page 11.

14th. That Mark xvi, 15, 18, does not assert that the sign was to be fellow believers in all ages. — Page 45.

15th. That no office-bearer in the New Testament Church was possessed of a Devil. — Page 47.

16th. But the Mormons have worked no real miracle. — Page 49.

17th. That Mormonism panders to slavery. — Page 40.

18th. Mormon law or belief that a man may know God, and not be saved. — Page 50.


20th. In his tract he states offered to modifications, or abridgment discussion, at his last lecture.

Mr. Bowen's Doctrines and Prophecies Page 51, Par. 8.

2nd. — Denies the gift of healing.

3rd. — Denies baptism for the dead.

4th. — Teaches a man can be saved.

5th. — Teaches a man to discriminate.

6th. — Teaches men are not whether inspired or not. — Page 54.

7th. Mr. Bowen teaches, that no man, can be disappointed. — Page 54.

John Bowen, being represented in misrepresentations.

John Bowen states in his book, John Bowen born an honest man, he is not occur in the New Testament, yet he was not educated until about Mr. Bowen gives the following as a proof, by comparing it, the reader with a "Revelation given to Oliver Cowdery," the translation of the golden tablet it is in your own mind, that revelation; but they shall have a stronger Doctrine and Covenants, page 177.

As I read, you have not made thought, save it was to ask me, but, I must ask you if it is right, and if it is not thought, that shall cause you to forget ever be given you from me.

In the 10 pages of his book, where the reason, namely, not to judge. There are a few examples from the consider the testimony of the case, and a Prophet of the Most High God, the slanderers and lies which John Bow- used to the public, by the Rev. Mr. The public are referred, that what is the "Revelation of the Church of Christ," page 44, which is the "Revelation, of the Church of Christ, the test of faith, and his Book, with the contest he be.
18th Lkr.—Book of Mormon does not speak of Matryons' Companions.—21.

20th Lkr.—In his tract he states, that Mr. Smith offered no modifications, or alterations to his terms of discussion, at his last lecture.

2nd. Mr. Bowes is a False Teacher.

Mr. Bowes's Doctrines and Teachings:—1st.—That Apostles and Prophets are not needed.—Page 51, Par. 5.

2d.—Denies the gift of healing.—Page 44.

3d.—Denies baptism for the remission of sins.—Page 53.

4th.—Teaches a man can be saved without baptism.—Page 52.

5th.—Says that believers are made wise of God, whether baptized or not.—Page 54.

7th.—Mr. Bowes teaches, that no more miracles are needed, or are to be expected.—Page 59.

Ninth Lkr.—Book of Mormon does not speak of Matryons' Companions; but of a Companion prepared at that time by the Lord.

20th.—Mr. Smith offered to bring living witnesses to disprove Mr. Bowes's false statements. And was that done, and never, willing to give the principles of Mormonism. The Bible is the rule of evidence; which Mr. Bowes dare not do; being afraid of the truth.

2nd. The Doctrines and Teachings of Mr. Bowes. 1st.—Prophets taught, that Apostles and Prophets were for the perfection of the Saints; for the work of the ministry; for the uplifting of the body of Christ, till all were come to the unity of the faith. And how many different faiths are there?—Page 53.


3d.—See Mark xvi. 18. James v. 13. 6th.—See John xii. If 2. If it is true, the Devils are sons of God. See the following: James ii. 19. Acts xii. 13. Luke iv. 33—34. Acts xvi. 18. Thm. Contradicts Joel, xi. 39. Isaiah xi. 16. xxxv. 1—9. enmous xi. 14—16. Ezekiel xv. 20—25. Rev. xl. 7. These tests prove that many miracles will be performed in those last days.

John Bowes, being acquainted with our books, has made Garbled extracts, and withheld the truth by withholding misrepresentations.

John Bowes states in his book, page 21, that terms are used long before the time of Jesus. Now had John Bowes been an honest man, he would have stated that. Indeed we never made that he had not. But Mr. Bowes has said it does not occur in the New Testament, that Jesus was the Lamb slain from before the foundation of the world? Yet he was not crucified until about 4,000 years after the creation of the world. Mr. Bowes gives the following as a quotation from the "Book of Doctrine and Covenants" (Page of his book 27), by comparing it, the reader will see that he has changed some words, and left out the middle of the sentence:

Garbled Extract, Bowes's Book, page 87:

"Revelation given to Oliver Cowdery.—Behold, you have not understood; you have supposed that I must give it (the translation of the golden plates) 'when you take no thought, save it was to ask me': that you must study it out in your own minds; that you must ask me if it be right. But it is not so, you shall not have such feelings; but they shall have a sense of thought, that shall cause you to forget the thing which is wrong: therefore, you cannot write which is sacred, save it is given you from me.'"

In the 49 page of his book, when speaking of Slaves, he leaves off in the middle of the sentence, leaving out the reason, namely, 'not to propagate the love of man.'— Doctrine and Covenants, page 284.

There are a few examples from among the many which may be taken from John Bowes lying book. We consider the testimony of the tens of thousands of living witnesses, who know Joseph Smith to be a good man, and a Prophet of the Most High God, and who sealed his testimony in his blood, to be a sufficient refutation of the slanders and lies which John Bowes has maliciously published in his book; which book of lies is strongly recommended to the public by the Rev. Joseph Brown, and Mr. John Dyer, a schoolmaster!!!

The public are informed, that most of John Bowes's objections are replied to in a book entitled, "Mormonism Triumphant," price $.12, which may be had, with other publications on Mormonism, at our meeting-room, Canoe-lot Street. The hopes of truth, after reading and bringing both sides of the question, will treat John Bowes and his Book with the contempt he so justly deserves. "He that speaketh lies shall perish.

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See Millennial Star 12 (15 Jan. 1850): 29-30