

and what faith he may believe.

IT IS THE LOWEST AND BASEST POLYGAMY ON EARTH.

A polygamy that brings down the family to the level of the barn-yard. A polygamy that allowed Joe Smith to persuade several women to be his "spiritual wives," which led to great scandal. A polygamy that allowed the old Mormon Turk Brigham Young to have a score or more of known wives besides all his "spirituals." A polygamy that has allowed a man to marry three wives related to each other as mother, daughter and grand-daughter, and another to marry three sisters at the same time. A polygamy that sanctions the marriage of a man to his half sister and a woman to her own uncle. A polygamy often followed by so many divorces and re-marriages that a woman is perplexed to remember what her last name is. A polygamy of which Brigham once said, "I have sent Geo. Q. Cannon to Congress because I mean to cram polygamy down the throats of the American people." How long will this nation tolerate such an outrage against manhood, womanhood and childhood.

IT IS DISLOYALTY TO ITS NATION.

The Mormons are guilty of a disloyalty that curses its country's flag, and hung it at half mast on the Fourth of July, 1835. With them it is the Church first and the nation afterward. They are Mormons but not Americans. They hate, and where they dare, defy the government. Their rulers claim that they are appointed by the Almighty, and no human government has any right to interfere with them. Their President is higher in authority than the President of the United States, and the oaths of their Endowment House more binding than the oath of allegiance to the nation. Elder Orson Pratt once said in the great tabernacle, "We will have our own way, Congress or no Congress."

Prest. John Taylor said in a sermon, "Let the Government dare to lay so much as a finger upon us and we will show the people of the United States what we can do," and six thousand Mormons shouted "Amen."

In 1870 Brigham Young, in a tabernacle sermon, made the following threat, Rev. G. M. Pierce, Methodist missionary to Utah, being present and writing down the words as they fell from the President's

lips: "If any of these so called officers try to arrest me and bring me before the d—d cussed hounds of the law the government has sent out here to lord it over us, I'll send them to hell cross lots, so help me God."

In 1867 Brigham Young was removed from the office of Governor of Utah. The next Sunday he said in his pulpit, "I am Governor, I have been Governor, I will be Governor, no power on earth can hinder me from being Governor, until Almighty God says, 'Brigham Young, you need not be Governor any longer.'" That very year it was necessary to send 2,500 troops to Mormondom to enforce United States laws.

In the past, Governor after Governor has been obliged to protect himself by soldiers. United States courts have been broken up by mobs, United States troops waylaid, and United States officials murdered.

When the news of the assassination of Abraham Lincoln reached Salt Lake City, Brigham Young rushed over to the tabernacle and shouted, "Drape her! Drape her! Glory to God, another enemy to Zion is gone." The Sunday after Prest. Garfield was shot a leading Mormon said in a large congregation, "This is what we have been praying for." (It may be well to remember in this connection that Guiteau was a Mormon.)

IT IS A SYSTEM OF CRUELTY AND BLOOD-SHED.

It was only necessary for Brigham Young to denounce a man in public, by using his favorite expression, "Such a man ought to be sent to hell cross lots," at the same time he would make a common and significant gesture of his by drawing his hand across his throat; and the bloody Danites would soon see to it that the doomed man should mysteriously disappear.

The horrid doctrine of

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is another proof of the cruelty of the system. This means assassination as a duty. Thus, if a man reveals the secrets of Mormonism, or leaves the faith, the only way to atone for his sin is to shed his blood. Or if a Gentile offends the priesthood it would be a deed of love to murder the offender.

Elder J. M. Grant said in a sermon, "There are men and women here that I