

NOTE

In Mormondom the wives and children of plural marriage say, "He is over at the other house", when the husband and father is abiding for "a week" or "a day about"—according to whatever may be his domestic method and discipline—at the home of his other wife and her family. And that phrase—"The Other House"—has become most sinisterly significant of all the cruelties and mysteries and silent despairs of the new Mormon polygamy, now criminally recrudescant.

When Harvey J. O'Higgins was in Utah working with ex-Senator Frank J. Cannon on Senator Cannon's exposure of the shameful conditions in the Mormon Kingdom—since published under the title "Under the Prophet in Utah"—he obtained from Martha Anderson the materials for this story of her personal experience with "new" polygamy. Martha Anderson is an orthodox Mormon woman. In order to protect her and other innocent persons from the consequences of publicity, proper names have been changed in her narrative, descriptions of places have been altered and some recognizable details of character and circumstance have been disguised beyond any possibility of public identification; but the essential facts have been in no way falsified, and the truth about the present-day conditions in Utah have been presented as faithfully as possible in typical incidents personally observed.