

practised as circumstances justify, for there the Saints are free to believe and act according to the dictates of their consciences—free to teach and free to learn the laws of the Most High, and the intelligence which constitutes the exaltation and glory of the celestial worlds. In Zion the words of life flow, without let or hindrance, from the mouths of the Lord's chosen ones—flow unfettered and unopposed by the narrow notions of an apostate world, and make glad the honest and the poor amongst men, who go up to the mountains of the Lord in obedience to the great commandment.

As many of the Saints cannot appear in Zion as soon as they wish, how desirable it must be to them to have the teachings of the Holy Priesthood in type before them! to have the words of life brought to their very houses, so that such Saints can become acquainted with many of the things taught in Zion. We know that this privilege will be appreciated by the Saints, when they understand how great it is. And we would recommend each Saint to obtain a copy of this *Journal*, and to peruse it carefully, that they may come to a perfect understanding of principle, and be ready to develop the same as wisdom may dictate.

“MORMONISM.”—The notice which the *Times* was pleased to take of “Mormonism,” a few weeks back, appears to have stirred up the editors of many other papers to take a glance at this “marvellous and wonderful work.” The editor of the *Tablet*, being a Roman Catholic, takes up “Mormonism” as a cudgel with which to thrash Protestantism, more than to inflict any castigation upon “Mormonism” itself, whilst, in default of argument for his own position, he shelters himself under the professed infallibility of the Roman Catholic Priesthood.

We are always pleased to see the work of God obtain publicity, because thereby those who love God and truth have the privilege of learning something of His purposes, and we are well aware that such persons, when they see the truth, will cleave to it, with full purpose of heart. We would take this opportunity to thank those editors who have drawn public attention to a work which must go forth conquering and to conquer, until the glory of the Lord covers the earth as the waters do the mighty deep. Like the ancient Apostle, we rejoice when the truth is preached, whether by love or contention.

APPOINTMENTS.—Elder Wm. W. Major is appointed to labour under the direction of Elder Benjamin Brown, Pastor of the London, Reading, Kent, and Essex Conferences.

Elder J. D. Ross is appointed to labour under the direction of Elder D. P. Curtis, Pastor of the South, Wiltshire, and Land's End Conferences.

Elder Charles A. Foster is appointed to labour under the direction of Elder Richard Cook, Pastor of the Warwickshire, Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, and Norwich Conferences.

Elder Matthias Cowley is appointed to labour under the direction of Elder A. Marchant, President of the Birmingham Conference.

Elder James Bond is appointed to labour under the direction of Elder S. H. Earl, Pastor of the Staffordshire and Shropshire Conferences.

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#### LETTER FROM THE FIRST PRESIDENCY.—JOURNAL OF DISCOURSES,

DELIVERED BY BRIGHAM YOUNG, PRESIDENT OF THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS, THE TWELVE APOSTLES, AND OTHERS.

Reported by G. D. Watt.

Great Salt Lake City, Utah Territory, June 1, 1853.

Elder Samuel W. Richards, and the Saints abroad—Dear Brethren—It is well known to many of you, that Elder George D. Watt, by our counsel, spent much time

in the midst of poverty and hardships to acquire the art of reporting in phonography, which he has faithfully and fully accomplished; and he has been reporting the public sermons, discourses, lectures, &c., delivered by the Presidency, the Twelve, and others in this city, for nearly two years, almost without fee or reward. Elder Watt now proposes to publish a Journal of these reports, in England, for the benefit of the Saints at large, and to obtain means to enable him to sustain his highly useful position of Reporter. You will perceive at once that this will be a work of mutual benefit, and we cheerfully and warmly request your co-operation in the purchase and sale of the above-named Journal, and wish all the profits arising therefrom to be under the control of Elder Watt.

BRIGHAM YOUNG, }  
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 Latter-day Saints.

## INTRODUCTION TO THE SAINTS.

Brethren and Sisters—This "Journal of Discourses" will appear in a semi-monthly pamphlet of sixteen pages, upon good paper, and in a plain round type that aged persons can read with ease, and which will form a volume of nearly four hundred pages at the end of the year.

It affords me great pleasure in being able to put in your possession the words of the Apostles and Prophets, as they were spoken in the assemblies of the Saints in Zion, the value of which cannot be estimated by man, not so much for any great display of worldly learning and eloquence, as for the purity of doctrine, simplicity of style, and extensive amount of theological truth which they develop.

Realizing the moral and intellectual benefit the Saints at home derive from them, I have earnestly desired the time when you also would be enriched by the same incalculable treasure.

To those who are unacquainted with the Doctrines of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, who are mantled in the darkness of ages, whose minds are sunk in the almost impenetrable shades of error, uncertainty, and doubt, but who sincerely desire to know the truth, these sermons will prove a

source of light, information, and joy. And, according to the vocation which belongs to the Eternal Priesthood, all authorized ministers of God will hail their publication with gladness, for such an embodiment of doctrine will greatly accelerate the grand object they have in view—the salvation of souls, the instruction of Saints, and the building up of Zion in the last days.

Particularly to the Elders who are scattered abroad upon the face of the earth, far from those who alone can instruct them in the more exalted branches of the Everlasting Gospel, these sermons will be most valuable, as a gauge of doctrine, a rule of rectitude, and a square to life, furnishing at the same time an extensive repository of historical information.

May the Lord prosper every department of His work, and every laudable effort of His servants to instruct the ignorant, build up and establish the faithful, and gather the honest in heart from among all nations home to Zion.

In the bonds of the New and Everlasting Covenant, I remain your brother and fellow-labourer,

G. D. WATT.

## THE BIBLE ONLY AND MORMONISM.

(From the Tablet, Oct. 15.)

The principle of the "Bible only" is developing itself in a remarkable way among our enlightened cousins across the Atlantic. The first propounders of that rule of life could scarcely have been aware of all the propositions it involved. Now, however, they are becoming visible, and the only wonder is, that they were so long undis-

covered. They are certainly contained in the original formula, and it is impossible to deny the accuracy of the new logicians. We are at last gravely told that Mormonism is irrefutable, on the hypothesis that the whole Bible, and nothing but the Bible is to be received.

A Mr. Henry J. Jarvis writes to the