

The machinery owned by the society for printing and binding Bibles is antiquated and worn out. If the manufacture of Bibles is continued new machinery must be purchased. It was said by Mr. Gilman this forenoon that if the appeal for funds receive a proper response, the old building is to be sold anyway. If the Society lives through its present difficulties it may erect a new building in another part of the city.

All details as to the finances of the society were refused by Mr. Foulke and Mr. Gilman. They said that they could not discuss this question at the present time. A statement has been issued, however, in which it is said that the expenditures for the last two years have been \$156,050.92 greater than the receipts.

No Mohammedans Wanted.

No believers in the Koran are wanted in this country. Such was the decision recently arrived at by the federal board of immigration in this [New York] city. The case was that of six Mohammedan immigrants who had arrived from the Orient on the steamer "California". At the Barge office, upon being questioned, it was learned that they all believed in the Koran. The Koran sanctions polygamy. And from this the decision was arrived at that they must not be allowed to land.

As a matter of fact, not one of the six Mohammedans had more than one wife. That they were polygamists in practice, or contemplated becoming such in this country, no one claimed. They simply believe in the Koran, like all good Mohammedans, and this was the whole case against them.

There was an act of congress passed in 1891 which enumerates polygamists among the classes which it is thought proper to exclude from this country. Among others named in this class are idiots and insane persons, criminals, those suffering from loathsome or contagious diseases, etc. To classify among such persons simple believers in the Koran is a proceeding in which there is neither reason nor justice. And when it is done, as in this instance, the conclusion at once suggests itself that the real opposition in the matter is directed against the religion for which the Koran stands.

This conclusion would not so readily come into view but for the fact that the United States has within recent years been posing as a Christian nation. Not yet have the last echoes died away of that decision by the supreme court, in February, 1892, that "this is a Christian nation". And with the opening of congress next month, a million and a half of names will come before the national legislature

calling for a recognition of God in the constitution. These names represent the great society of Christian Endeavor; and other great religious organizations are helping to permeate the country with the same idea of a national Christianity. Such being the circumstances of the situation, it cannot be regarded as impossible or even improbable that this sentiment may have had something to do with this decision against the adherents of the Koran.

If it is to be established as a rule of national procedure that such a theoretical violation of the law as exists in the adherence of these six Mohammedans to the religious guide-book of their race, which sanctions polygamy, without the slightest allusion, actual or contemplated, to any violation of the laws in practice, then it is evident that justice is here about to take on an inquisitorial character which will be fatal to the survival of liberty. And of this there are, indeed, many existing indications.—[American Sentinel.

The above, from our patriotic friends, is certainly to the point, and we begin to believe that the chains of religious intolerance are being rapidly forged around the necks of the unsuspecting people; but we wish our dear brothers of the Sentinel could see the undeniable fact that the holy bible is not only full of polygamy, but that it is also the text book from which the persecutors draw their lessons of intolerance. But no matter, Brother Sentinel, we'll not be too cranky, for unless we who believe in religious liberty "hang together, we'll all hang separately."

The marshal of Kansas City starves the prisoners unless they will attend religious services! In olden times those in power burned such wicked people at the stake, but "the time of forcing people into religion has passed away"! We live in a country where religious tolerance is practiced! Where men have the power they will always oppress, and power never should be given into any man's hands, for it will be abused. The marshal has no religion, I'll wager a doughnut, but his zeal to make people think he has should bring out a public condemnation. He should be removed from office. He is worse than the men who burned heretics at the stake, for he lives in a different century.—[Appeal to Reason.

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