

OFFICER HIRSCH RESOLVES TO DIE

Faithful Patrolman Bids His Children Good-
Bye and Alarms His Wife--Does Not Kill
Himself and Forgets His Queer Words.

"Well, Charley, this is the last time, and said that he was going to commit suicide."

Mary Hirsch, a daughter of the man, started from her east-side home last night about 9:30 to go to her brother's in search of her father. Just as Miss Hirsch was about to cross the steel bridge she met her father coming from the west side. "My sister told me," said C. E. Hirsch, "that she saw her father go into a saloon, and that she soon came out, and some policeman who happened to come along took her home. On their way home, Mrs. Hirsch said this morning, father talked all the shooting out the lights just to see a crowd run out.

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BOARD OF TRADE SUGGESTS PLAN WHEREBY IT AND THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CAN WORK WITHOUT CONFLICTING—WOULD ROOM ALASKA TRADE.

A resolution was adopted this morning pledging the moral support of the board of trade to the proposal of Capt. John J. Healy for the establishment of commercial relations between Portland and Alaska, but deferring further action to the chamber of commerce as being better qualified to pass on the matter. This resolution was followed by a provision for dividing the work to be done by the commercial bodies of the city, suggesting that the board of trade confine itself to matters pertaining to the exploitation of the city and state and civic improvement, and that the chamber of commerce look after the larger matters pertaining to commerce and the Manufacturers' association could attend those matters concerning manufacturing and kindred subjects.

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APOSTLE COWLEY EXPLAINS AIMS AND MODERN IDEALS OF LATTER DAY SAINTS—HOLDS SMOOTH IS NOT ESSENTIAL TO CHURCH'S PROGRESS.

Matthias F. Cowley, an apostle of the Mormon church, addressed a speech at Burkhardt hall on East Burnside street last night. He said: "With reference to the agitation concerning Reed Smoot I want to remind you that senators and politics are not part of our religious services, and that as a senator Mr. Smoot does not represent any church or any one class of people. He was elected by a Republican legislature and no church influence was used to

get him elected."

"I have lived with these people in their own homes and I know them. I have never seen such ideal conditions of home life, nor such a love of home and devotion to their God and to one another as these Mormons show. I consider them the best colonists the state has."

"Perhaps some of you have read the little book written by Edward Bellamy, entitled 'Looking Backward.' You will remember that this work is a picture of what may transpire in the twentieth century. He describes the government as the owner of all enterprises, and that there shall be such an equality among men that there shall be no rich and no poor, that all will have an abundance, while the time and talent of all are concentrated to build up and beautify one common cause and country. While we do not believe the theory in Mr. Bellamy's work can be materialized until there shall be a baptism by one spirit into the body, we do believe that similar conditions will yet be realized, and we know that Joseph Smith taught the doctrine of the United Order as enjoyed by the City of Enoch, and by saints in former times as mentioned in the New Testament and the book of Mormon. We have also been informed that Mr. Bellamy drew many of his ideas from reading the writings of Joseph Smith. These are but a few of the many changes taking place in the religion world, and while these changes are not accredited by the word to the world, they are none the less the fulfillment of many predictions, and as they have surely come to pass, as every one that has uttered will have their literal when the wheels of time shall bring them due. This much I ask you to remember, that in the years which are to come, when the revolutions of time by the power of God shall have wrought changes more marvelous than the records of the past can boast of, each event affecting the welfare of nations, you will find to be a means in the hands of God to more completely rivet the truth of Mormonism on the souls of men, and to point out the fact that Joseph Smith was a prophet of God."

In an interview Mr. Cowley said:

"This talk about polygamy comes from the same source that always has misrepresented and persecuted our church."

Mr. Cowley is one of the 12 apostles of the Mormon church and is accompanied by Nephi W. Pratt, president of the Northwest States Mission society, which includes the states of Washington, northern Idaho, Wyoming and British Columbia. They are en route to British Columbia to investigate a sugar beet factory proposition as well as to missionary work. They are raising a fund to build a temple at La Grande which will cost \$25,000. They expect to begin work on it in the near future.

In his address he said further:

"The word Mormon signifies more good, and Mormonism, the system which stands for all truths. It contemplated the development of every God-like attribute in every human being, along the lines of unbounded progress, in the spiritual, social, intellectual and material world. It claims to possess the elements essential to feed and satisfy the yearning of the human heart for the knowledge of man's origin, purpose and destiny, arms him with power in a world of sin and degradation to successfully come back and overcome weaknesses of the flesh. We recognize that these claims may be made for Christianity in general, but we fail to discover in characteristics of modern Christianity, those fruits which the Messiah promised as a seal of his divine work."

"You ask our church members in every part of the world the source of their conversion, and you discover it was not the arguments nor the eloquence of Mormon preachers, but the testimony of conviction brought to their own souls by the spirit of divine truth. This makes them independent, and places them upon a platform of equality. They are not pliant in their thoughts, but the same. They see alike, and are therefore unity in action as well as in profession. Many thousands of them never saw the leading men of the church, were never under their so-called 'magnetic' influence, and yet they are as strong in the faith as the leaders themselves. Joseph Smith, the prophet, was once asked how he governed so many people. He answered: 'I do not govern them. I teach them strict principles and they govern themselves.'

"What we claim as the cause of our oneness is, that the Latter Day saints received by obedience to the laws and ordinances of the ancient gospel, the holy spirit. It has been charged that the Mormon people are priest-riders because they are united, and usually have no dissension in the election of their church officials."

"If these were true, then all the true followers of the meek and lowly Nazarene in all ages of the world were priest-riders for the world. There were not one in their temporal masters for we are told in the acts of the apostles: 'They had all things in common,' and Jesus prayed that all might have such a unity as should be given him out of the world, as we were the father and son. In the election of our church officials the laws of the church require that all things shall be done by common consent in the church, by much prayer and faith, for all things shall have by faith. And again, no person is to be ordained to any office in this church where there is a regularly organized branch of the same, without the vote of the church."

"No power or influence can or ought to be maintained by virtue of the priesthood, only by persuasion by long suffering, by gentleness and meekness, and by love unfeigned; by kindness and pure knowledge, which shall greatly enlarge the soul, without hypocrisy and without pride."

"Early in his life, the prophet Joseph Smith, uttered the prediction that the gospel as he taught it would yet revolutionize the religious world. Let us consider this prophecy, and not a few changes in the religious world since the year 1830, the date when the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints came into existence. The prophet came teaching that revelation had been given to him from heaven; he also said that if men rejected these revelations the adversary of men's souls would give revelations from beneath. Joseph Smith taught the possibility of redemption after death for those who died without a knowledge of the gospel in this life. This was counted heresy, the rankest kind, and yet of later years it has been accepted by leading divines of America. Joseph Smith and the book of Mormon plainly set forth that all children

who die in childhood are redeemed by the blood of Christ, and are saved by his atonement without gospel ordinances.

This doctrine was denied by the sectarian world, and ministers in their blindness had cried out from the pulpit that children only a span long were in hell, because they died without baptism.