

style and boldness of the writer, but this is not our object; the plain unvarnished statement of facts, which can be demonstrated by thousands; is what pleases us, though it's but a small pamphlet, yet we would that *all* ears were made to hear it, and that every true Republican would awake from the slumber that has so long pervaded this Republic, and no longer suffer innocence to groan under the lash of murderers and tyrants, and would raise the standard of "equal rights," and bring to condign punishment, those that have trampled with impunity upon our wholesome constitution, and made laws and Justice a mere *by-word*.

In this No. will be seen an article which we copy from the New York Era," Signed P. P. Pratt, it's in contradiction to the *foolish simple* priest fabricated tale that has been going the rounds, charging Sidney Rigdon with the crime of making the Book of Mormon, out of the romantic writings of one Solomon Spaulding &c. We can mingle our testimony with that of Elder Pratt's, we concur in his statement; we can assure the public that from our own personal knowledge, Elder Pratt has given a plain statement of facts.

We also subjoin the copy of a letter written by one Mr. Haven from Mass. to his daughter in Quincy, Ill. which shows to a demonstration, that Mrs. Davidson did not write the letter, and that it was written, signed and circulated without her knowledge. Consequently it was got up by priests, and circulated by priests, upon her credit; the reason for getting it up, we think

is obvious, for fair arguments, & every other means had failed to put down the truth, and this was the last resort; this having failed, we think that both priests and people will hereafter sit in silence upon this subject.

ERRATA.

In our last No. on the 29th page, in the communication from the High council, it was dated Commerce, November 1839, which should have been stricken out entirely. Also an error at the bottom of the article, which escaped our notice, it is now dated 1830, but should be 1839.

In the Obituary, third paragraph, it reads thus: In this place, Nov. 2nd, Mahew Hillman. It should read November 22nd.

Detroit, Michigan, Oct. 12th 1839.

EDITORS OF THE TIMES AND SEASONS.

Dear Brethren,

We arrived here in 3 weeks, Distance 520 miles. Found it very sickly in every place, many taverns shut, and Bakery's closed on account of sickness; we are generally well, Br. Clark and O. Pratt started down the Lake two days ago, they were well. I have published a history of the persecution. A pamphlet containing 84 pages. It came out of the Press Thursday last. The news papers, for the last three weeks have teemed with our sufferings and the outrages in Missouri. Every part of the country feels indignant at these unparalleled outrages. You have doubtless heard of the Large meetings on the subject, in N. Y. and other places.—There are some 50 members of the church, within one day's journey of Detroit. Elder Savine, from N. Y. lives among them, great doors are opened for preaching, O. Pratt preached for some two weeks in Michigan, to crowded houses. Many believed, and some 22 dollars were given him for the journey. I preached once in