bloodhounds in all our wanderings as a
people from the beginning to this day; and I have thought for some time that
I should lift my voice to the Latter-day Saints to become sufficiently of one
heart and of one mind to let this class of men severely alone. I say, from mer-
chants, lawyers, editors, farmers, mechanics, and all individuals who will give
succor to such a class of men and to the paper which they have published here,
withdraw your support. If he is a lawyer, let him alone. If he is a merchant, pass
by his store or place of business; serve the mechanic the same; and let every en-
emy of this people become satisfied that they cannot look to us for support while
they, at the same time, are seeking with all their might to bring about our de-
struction. I am giving you my counsel upon this matter, that you have no deal
or communication with men who would destroy you. For it is written, "He that
receiveth you, receiveth me; and he that receiveth me, receiveth him that sent
me."

You say you have dealt with your en-
emies, and they have treated you kindly, and you can get things cheaper from
them than from your brethren, and you will spend your money where you please,
etc. You have the privilege of doing so, and the result of such a course you
can easily learn. Those very men you are dealing with are wishing and de-
siring with all their hearts that they had the power to destroy the influence of
Brigham Young and his counselors, and the apostles and the elders of this
Church: "If we had the power we would destroy them from the face of the earth."
Do they hate Brigham Young and his friends? They do. Are you a Saint, can
you be a Saint, without their hating you as they hate me and my friends, and

Jesus Christ and his Father? Are you so
shortsighted and blind as to believe that
you can be fellowshipped by the wicked,
and be a Saint? If such is the case, you had better repent of your sins and
be baptized forthwith, before the water freezes up. It is your privilege to trade
where you please; but if you trade with your enemies, I will promise you that
you will expose yourselves to wicked in-
fluences, and, finally, be cut off from the
Church, without the necessity of our try-
ing you for your fellowship because you
trade at this store or at that store. We
shall do no such thing as try you for your
fellowship because you trade where you
please. All men have power to do good, or
to do evil; they have power to serve God
or the devil, and we do not wish to de-
prive any person, Saint or sinner, of this
liberty. We advise you; we give you good
and safe counsel. You are at liberty to
listen to good advice or not. You are at
liberty to be guided by good counsel, if
you will. If you observe it, blessings to
you will be the result. If you abide not
by it, you will walk in darkness. Neglect
your duty to your God and your brethren
and you will commit evils for which you
will be tried for your fellowship and be
severed from the Church.

We advise you to pass by the shops
and stores of your enemies, and let
them alone, but give your means into
the hands of men who are honest men,
honorable men, and upright men—men
who will deal justly and truly with all.
Shall we deal with the Jew? Yes. With those who call themselves Gen-
tiles? Certainly. We calculate to con-
tinue to deal with them; but shall we mingle our spirits together, and be