no others enemies, except such characters as I have named. There is no question that many have done much mischief while in ignorance of what they were doing. I have no doubt that the soldiers who were commanded to nail the Savior to the cross did not realize what they were doing. They treated him as they did the thieves, whom they knew to be worthy of death; but through prejudice, overpersuasion and much talk by the priests, Scribes, Pharisees and people, they perhaps supposed they were doing God’s service when they crucified Jesus. But it was an enemy that did it, it was a bad act, a very heinous crime, it—but I pause. The question may be asked, What would have been the consequence suppose the Savior had not been crucified? I can only answer by saying that he was. The Scriptures say that offenses must needs come, but woe to him by whom they come. But we will resume our subject. Who is the man that is an enemy to his nation? The one that breeds mischief, prompts strife, and brings sorrow among the people.

Now to the Latter-day Saints—What are you here for? Can you answer this question? Many of you can. One brother says, “Why, I came here to join the Saints.” “Where did you come from?” “I lived in Scotland. I worked in the mines, or in the factory, or in iron works.” “What did you come here for?” “When I heard the Gospel preached I believed it, and I received a desire to leave my neighbors. I believed the Bible and the Book of Mormon; I believed that Joseph Smith was a Prophet. My neighbors said, ‘Oh folly, oh fool. There goes a Mormon,’ and they pointed the finger of scorn at me.” This is the spirit of the world, but if there had been no persecution whatever in the feelings of his neighbors, he would have had a desire to leave his home and old associates to join the Saints, for the Spirit he received prompted him to do this. Ask a sister, “What are you here for?” “Why, I came here so that I could live my religion a little better than I could in Scotland, England, Ireland, Wales, France, Scandinavia,” or wherever it might be that she came from. Ask another man, “What did you gather to these mountains for?” “Well, I think I came here because of my religion. I used to think I wanted to gather up with the Saints. I liked their society, and when I came up here I really delighted to be with them.” “What are you doing now, brother?” “Well, I am trying to do about the best I possibly can. Here are a few dollars I want to pay on Tithing.” “Have you paid your Tithing this year?” “No.” “Did you pay it last year?” “No.” “Have you not paid Tithing lately?” “No.” “What is the reason?” “Why, I am after gold and silver, and the riches in these mountains, in this trade, I am after the world, I am after Babylon.” This is the conduct. I do not ask for words, I do not ask anybody to get up and declare that their affections are turned away from the holy Gospel of life and salvation, and turned to the world. Let me see their daily walk and know their life, and I know what their thoughts and feelings are. And the sister that comes here for the Gospel’s sake, her mind is so frivolous and easily wrought upon that she is led by every wind and breeze of fashion that blows through the streets here. “Oh, don’t you see that lady’s dress?” “Here, look here, did you see that lady walking down the street?” “Yes.” “What a beautiful dress she has got on! Oh dear, how I want such a dress!” Go