pattern of heaven, and will compel no
man nor woman to go contrary to his or
her conscience. They would compel us to
go contrary to our consciences, wouldn’t
they? I recollect when there were but few Methodists, when they were poor,
and when there was scarcely a college-
bred minister on the continent of Amer-
ica in the Methodist Church. I recollect
them in their infancy, but what would
they do now? Then they were perse-
cuted, and thought they bore a great deal
for Christ’s sake. Perhaps they did.

Now I want to give you these few
words—the kingdom of God will protect
every person, every sect and all peo-
ple upon the face of the whole earth,
in their legal rights. I shall not tell
you the names of the members of this
kingdom, neither shall I read to you its
constitution, but the constitution was
given by revelation. The day will come
when it will be organized in strength
and power. Now, as the Church of Jesus
Christ of Latter-day Saints, we work our
way along the best we can. Can you un-
derstand this?

A few words upon the organization of
this United Order. We regret that we
are not in a capacity to make our own
laws pertaining to our domestic affairs
as we choose; if we were in a State ca-
pacity we could do so. The legislature
could then pass laws by which we would
have the right to deed our property to
the Church, to the Trustee-in-Trust, if
we chose, or in any other way the peo-
ple would like to deed their property to
God and his kingdom. But we cannot do
this now, we are not a State. We are in
the capacity of servants now, where we
have to bow to the whims and caprices of
the ignorant, and to the prejudice of will-
ful, ignorant sectarianism; consequently
we are under the necessity of getting
up our constitution or the articles of
our association so that they will agree
with existing statutes and be legal, that
we can carry on business as we wish
without being infringed upon or mo-
lested by anybody.

Some have complained, and say—
"This does not incorporate the whole, we
want articles of agreement under which
we can give all that we have got.” Let
me say to you that our articles of con-
federation, agreement or association will
allow us to deed every particle of prop-
erty that we have got to this cooperative
institution—our houses, farms, sheep,
cattle, horses, our labor, our railroad
stock, bank stock, factories, and every-
thing that we have we can deed to the
trustees of this association. Whatever
you have here in Lehi that you wish to
deed over to those you have selected to
be a board of trustees you can deed to
them to take the supervision of it, and
then you will put it out of the hands
perhaps of unruly froward children and
spendthrifts, and do good by so doing.
And if you can put in every particle of
your property, and have this governed
and controlled by the best men you have
here, why not do this just as well as to
deed it to George A. Smith, the Trustee-
in-Trust? Does not this answer every
purpose? It does. Look at the reason
of it if you wish to. If it is the word
and the wish and the will of the orga-
nization here to deed only part of the
property, I expect they will take the lib-
erty of doing so; but this would not suit
me. If I had property here in this place
I should wish to deed every particle of
it to this association. I wish to deed
every particle of my property in Provo,
just as quick as there is an opportunity,
and have it done in a way that it will be
beneficial to the people. I am laboring
under a certain embarrassment and so
are many others, with regard to deeding