

commanded; he felt that he was slighted; and apostatized, and returned to his native land, where he wrote a book against us, and has since died. When Brother George Q. Cannon was called to go to the Islands, he had no such feelings. He learned the language, and translated the Book of Mormon into the Hawaiian language. He performed a glorious mission, and is now one of the First Presidency of the Church. And singular as it may appear, out of the number of Elders that have been on missions to the Sandwich Islands, I can count more Apostles, more

Presidents of Stakes, Bishops, and leading men, than can be found in the same number that have gone to any other country. Why is this? Perhaps it is because they manifested their willingness to descend below all things, that they might rise above all things. If a man in this Church would be exalted, let him humble himself; and he that would exalt himself, God will abase.

God bless Israel, and pour out His Spirit upon the household of faith, and strengthen us to do the labors required of us, in the name of Jesus. Amen.

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**CONSPICUOUS POSITION OF THE SAINTS—EARLY PERSECUTIONS—HISTORICAL FACTS THAT OUGHT TO BE PUBLISHED IN BOOK FORM—ANOMALOUS TREATMENT OF UTAH—GOVERNOR YOUNG'S POLICY AND THAT OF HIS SUCCESSORS DIFFERENT—ISAIAH'S PROPHECY FULFILLED—THE EDMUNDS LAW—THE SAINTS WILL YET CONQUER—THE REAL OBJECT OF ATTACK—THE RESULT PREDICTED.**

DISCOURSE BY APOSTLE ERASTUS SNOW, DELIVERED IN THE ASSEMBLY HALL, SALT LAKE CITY, SUNDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 9, 1884.

REPORTED BY JOHN IRVINE.

In rising before you, brethren and sisters, this afternoon, I desire to commit myself unto the Lord, invoking His blessing upon the congregation, and that the Holy Spirit may dictate that which may be spoken to our edification and encouragement in well-doing.

In the providence of God His people are located in the valleys of the Rocky Mountains, midway between the oceans, occupying the position of a city set upon a hill which cannot be hid. It was the providences of God around about His people which brought them to