

Morman [sic] Elders.—

There arrived in Alexandria on last Saturday John F. Astle, of Grover, Unitah County, Wyo; and Ed. Simmons, of Layton, Utah, who are Elders of the Morman Church, and will remain in Rapides for some time for the purpose of trying to make converts to their religion. Yesterday another couple arrived here, Elder Price and Elder Arthur Dall. The latter are on their way to Avoyelles parish to canvass that section in the interest of their church.

The elders of the “Church of Jesus Christ of Lat[t]er Day Saints,” no longer teach polygamy. Their Articles of Faith, No. 1, says: “We believe in God, the Eternal Father, and in His Son, Jesus Christ, and in the Holy Ghost.”

This is a free country and the constitution of the United States guarantees freedom to serve God as one pleases, therefore we have never believed in persecuting the Mormans, especially after polygamy ceased to be one of the rules of the church.