

## PROPHECY OF 1739.

### The Coming Forth of the True Gospel in Latter Days Foretold by Swiss Evangelist.

(Nephi Record.)

The following prediction and commentary which was clipped from the Southern Star and sent to Edwin Booth by a nephew, will no doubt be interesting to many of our readers. The work referred to, we are informed, is still in the University of Basel.

Away back in the 18th century—more than 100 years ago—there lived in Switzerland an old gentleman; an author and evangelist named Lutius Gratio. Among others of his works is one called "Hope of Zion," published in the year 1739 at Basel, Switzerland.

Some time ago, one of our missionaries, Elder Geo. M. Pickup, of Provo, while traveling through that country chanced to visit the Basel university, and seeing this work, he examined it ~~and was gratified to find the following bearing on a subject that was, to say the least interesting, if not a divinely inspired document.~~ It reads as follows:

"The old true gospel and the gifts thereof are lost. False doctrines prevail in every church and in all the lands. All we can do is to exhort the people to be just, fear God and shun evil and to pray, pray, bray. Prayer and purity may cause an angle to visit a deep and distressed soul. But I tell you that God in one hundred years will again have spoken. He will restore the old church again. I see a little people led by a prophet and faithful elder. They are persecuted, burnt out, and murdered, but in a valley that lies on the shores of a great lake they find refuge. There they will grow and make a beautiful (Herlick) land, have a temple of magnificent splendor, and also possess the old priesthood with apostle, prophets, teachers and deacons. From every nation will the true believers be gathered by speedy messengers. God Almighty speak to the disobedient nations with thunder, lightning and destruction such as never heard of in history before."