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One who has read as many thousands of books as I have doesn't often find one that fascinates him from the first page to the last. I found one the other day when Greenberg, Publisher, 601 E. 57th St., New York City, sent me an advanced copy of "Present-Day Plural Marriage" (437-9). I can think of nobody better qualified than Mr. Taylor to make a scholarly study of polygamy today in those states where it abounds—chiefly Utah and Arizona, though Idaho and California enter the picture. Mr. Taylor grew up in a polygamist family that is a grandson of the John Taylor who was president of the Mormon Church just before the Manifesto which outlawed polygamy in "Family Kingdom."

For me, "I Have Six Wives" is not only a fascinating study from the breath-taking introduction in which in Salt Lake he makes a moving conclusion; it is also an amazing book. I am sure it will be both to many readers. Some of us have known a long time that polygamy still exists when I taught in the University of Utah. There was a son of a well-known professor about whom I was widely said that she was a plural wife. When three years ago I was at the Utah State Normal, I met a little old member of a very prominent Mormon family, though he had just been thrown into jail for that one was talking.

But I never for a moment dreamed that the practice today is so widespread in Salt Lake. There is a big "underground" in which Mr. Taylor would be content with a "dear" man, after winning the trust of the housewife. This underground makes that today there are at least 20,000 persons living in

polygamy. They call it the "Principles" and are apparently in Salt Lake. Those with only two wives, especially if they live in the city, are not so much as to discover that there are "deals" with the police authority. Taylor says: "To the people of Utah, polygamy is a sin. As long as the law is on our side, we will not touch it, but we will not let it go. We have to have to believe the practice is widespread and growing rapidly." Growing rapidly? The author says that from 1930 to 1950, the number of polygamists in Utah increased from 1,000 to 10,000. He says that in 1950, there were 10,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 1955, there were 20,000. He says that in 1955, there were 20,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 1960, there were 40,000. He says that in 1960, there were 40,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 1965, there were 80,000. He says that in 1965, there were 80,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 1970, there were 160,000. He says that in 1970, there were 160,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 1975, there were 320,000. He says that in 1975, there were 320,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 1980, there were 640,000. He says that in 1980, there were 640,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 1985, there were 1,280,000. He says that in 1985, there were 1,280,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 1990, there were 2,560,000. He says that in 1990, there were 2,560,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 1995, there were 5,120,000. He says that in 1995, there were 5,120,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2000, there were 10,240,000. He says that in 2000, there were 10,240,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2005, there were 20,480,000. He says that in 2005, there were 20,480,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2010, there were 40,960,000. He says that in 2010, there were 40,960,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2015, there were 81,920,000. He says that in 2015, there were 81,920,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2020, there were 163,840,000. He says that in 2020, there were 163,840,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2025, there were 327,680,000. He says that in 2025, there were 327,680,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2030, there were 655,360,000. He says that in 2030, there were 655,360,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2035, there were 1,310,720,000. He says that in 2035, there were 1,310,720,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2040, there were 2,621,440,000. He says that in 2040, there were 2,621,440,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2045, there were 5,242,880,000. He says that in 2045, there were 5,242,880,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2050, there were 10,485,760,000. He says that in 2050, there were 10,485,760,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2055, there were 20,971,520,000. He says that in 2055, there were 20,971,520,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2060, there were 41,943,040,000. He says that in 2060, there were 41,943,040,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2065, there were 83,886,080,000. He says that in 2065, there were 83,886,080,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2070, there were 167,772,160,000. He says that in 2070, there were 167,772,160,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2075, there were 335,544,320,000. He says that in 2075, there were 335,544,320,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2080, there were 671,088,640,000. He says that in 2080, there were 671,088,640,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2085, there were 1,342,177,280,000. He says that in 2085, there were 1,342,177,280,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2090, there were 2,684,354,560,000. He says that in 2090, there were 2,684,354,560,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2095, there were 5,368,709,120,000. He says that in 2095, there were 5,368,709,120,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2100, there were 10,737,418,240,000. He says that in 2100, there were 10,737,418,240,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2105, there were 21,474,836,480,000. He says that in 2105, there were 21,474,836,480,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2110, there were 42,949,672,960,000. He says that in 2110, there were 42,949,672,960,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2115, there were 85,899,345,920,000. He says that in 2115, there were 85,899,345,920,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2120, there were 171,798,691,840,000. He says that in 2120, there were 171,798,691,840,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2125, there were 343,597,383,680,000. He says that in 2125, there were 343,597,383,680,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2130, there were 687,194,767,360,000. He says that in 2130, there were 687,194,767,360,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2135, there were 1,374,389,534,720,000. He says that in 2135, there were 1,374,389,534,720,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2140, there were 2,748,779,069,440,000. He says that in 2140, there were 2,748,779,069,440,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2145, there were 5,497,558,138,880,000. He says that in 2145, there were 5,497,558,138,880,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2150, there were 10,995,116,277,760,000. He says that in 2150, there were 10,995,116,277,760,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2155, there were 21,990,232,555,520,000. He says that in 2155, there were 21,990,232,555,520,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2160, there were 43,980,465,111,040,000. He says that in 2160, there were 43,980,465,111,040,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2165, there were 87,960,930,222,080,000. He says that in 2165, there were 87,960,930,222,080,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2170, there were 175,921,860,444,160,000. He says that in 2170, there were 175,921,860,444,160,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2175, there were 351,843,720,888,320,000. He says that in 2175, there were 351,843,720,888,320,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2180, there were 703,687,441,776,640,000. He says that in 2180, there were 703,687,441,776,640,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2185, there were 1,407,374,883,553,280,000. He says that in 2185, there were 1,407,374,883,553,280,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2190, there were 2,814,749,767,106,560,000. He says that in 2190, there were 2,814,749,767,106,560,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2195, there were 5,629,499,534,213,120,000. He says that in 2195, there were 5,629,499,534,213,120,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2200, there were 11,258,999,068,426,240,000. He says that in 2200, there were 11,258,999,068,426,240,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2205, there were 22,517,998,136,852,480,000. He says that in 2205, there were 22,517,998,136,852,480,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2210, there were 45,035,996,273,704,960,000. He says that in 2210, there were 45,035,996,273,704,960,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2215, there were 90,071,992,547,409,920,000. He says that in 2215, there were 90,071,992,547,409,920,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2220, there were 180,143,985,094,819,840,000. He says that in 2220, there were 180,143,985,094,819,840,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2225, there were 360,287,970,189,639,680,000. He says that in 2225, there were 360,287,970,189,639,680,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2230, there were 720,575,940,379,279,360,000. He says that in 2230, there were 720,575,940,379,279,360,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2235, there were 1,441,151,880,758,558,720,000. He says that in 2235, there were 1,441,151,880,758,558,720,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2240, there were 2,882,303,761,517,117,440,000. He says that in 2240, there were 2,882,303,761,517,117,440,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2245, there were 5,764,607,523,034,234,880,000. He says that in 2245, there were 5,764,607,523,034,234,880,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2250, there were 11,529,215,046,068,469,760,000. He says that in 2250, there were 11,529,215,046,068,469,760,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2255, there were 23,058,430,092,136,939,520,000. He says that in 2255, there were 23,058,430,092,136,939,520,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2260, there were 46,116,860,184,273,879,040,000. He says that in 2260, there were 46,116,860,184,273,879,040,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2265, there were 92,233,720,368,547,758,080,000. He says that in 2265, there were 92,233,720,368,547,758,080,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2270, there were 184,467,440,737,095,516,160,000. He says that in 2270, there were 184,467,440,737,095,516,160,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2275, there were 368,934,881,474,191,032,320,000. He says that in 2275, there were 368,934,881,474,191,032,320,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2280, there were 737,869,762,948,382,064,640,000. He says that in 2280, there were 737,869,762,948,382,064,640,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2285, there were 1,475,739,525,896,764,129,280,000. He says that in 2285, there were 1,475,739,525,896,764,129,280,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2290, there were 2,951,479,051,793,528,258,560,000. He says that in 2290, there were 2,951,479,051,793,528,258,560,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2295, there were 5,902,958,103,587,056,517,120,000. He says that in 2295, there were 5,902,958,103,587,056,517,120,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2300, there were 11,805,916,207,174,113,034,240,000. He says that in 2300, there were 11,805,916,207,174,113,034,240,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2305, there were 23,611,832,414,348,226,068,480,000. He says that in 2305, there were 23,611,832,414,348,226,068,480,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2310, there were 47,223,664,828,696,452,136,960,000. He says that in 2310, there were 47,223,664,828,696,452,136,960,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2315, there were 94,447,329,657,392,904,273,920,000. He says that in 2315, there were 94,447,329,657,392,904,273,920,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2320, there were 188,894,659,314,785,808,547,840,000. He says that in 2320, there were 188,894,659,314,785,808,547,840,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2325, there were 377,789,318,629,571,617,095,680,000. He says that in 2325, there were 377,789,318,629,571,617,095,680,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2330, there were 755,578,637,259,143,234,191,360,000. He says that in 2330, there were 755,578,637,259,143,234,191,360,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2335, there were 1,511,157,274,518,286,468,382,720,000. He says that in 2335, there were 1,511,157,274,518,286,468,382,720,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2340, there were 3,022,314,549,036,572,936,765,440,000. He says that in 2340, there were 3,022,314,549,036,572,936,765,440,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2345, there were 6,044,629,098,073,145,873,530,880,000. He says that in 2345, there were 6,044,629,098,073,145,873,530,880,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2350, there were 12,089,258,196,146,291,747,061,760,000. He says that in 2350, there were 12,089,258,196,146,291,747,061,760,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2355, there were 24,178,516,392,292,583,494,123,520,000. He says that in 2355, there were 24,178,516,392,292,583,494,123,520,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2360, there were 48,357,032,784,585,166,988,247,040,000. He says that in 2360, there were 48,357,032,784,585,166,988,247,040,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2365, there were 96,714,065,569,170,333,976,494,080,000. He says that in 2365, there were 96,714,065,569,170,333,976,494,080,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2370, there were 193,428,131,138,340,667,948,988,160,000. He says that in 2370, there were 193,428,131,138,340,667,948,988,160,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2375, there were 386,856,262,276,681,335,897,976,320,000. He says that in 2375, there were 386,856,262,276,681,335,897,976,320,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2380, there were 773,712,524,553,362,671,795,952,640,000. He says that in 2380, there were 773,712,524,553,362,671,795,952,640,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2385, there were 1,547,425,049,106,725,343,591,905,280,000. He says that in 2385, there were 1,547,425,049,106,725,343,591,905,280,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2390, there were 3,094,850,098,213,450,687,183,810,560,000. He says that in 2390, there were 3,094,850,098,213,450,687,183,810,560,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2395, there were 6,189,700,196,426,901,374,367,621,120,000. He says that in 2395, there were 6,189,700,196,426,901,374,367,621,120,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2400, there were 12,379,400,392,853,802,748,735,242,240,000. He says that in 2400, there were 12,379,400,392,853,802,748,735,242,240,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2405, there were 24,758,800,785,707,605,497,470,484,480,000. He says that in 2405, there were 24,758,800,785,707,605,497,470,484,480,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2410, there were 49,517,601,571,415,210,994,940,968,960,000. He says that in 2410, there were 49,517,601,571,415,210,994,940,968,960,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2415, there were 99,035,203,142,830,421,989,881,937,937,920,000. He says that in 2415, there were 99,035,203,142,830,421,989,881,937,937,920,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2420, there were 198,070,406,285,660,843,979,763,875,875,840,000. He says that in 2420, there were 198,070,406,285,660,843,979,763,875,875,840,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2425, there were 396,140,812,571,321,687,959,527,751,751,680,000. He says that in 2425, there were 396,140,812,571,321,687,959,527,751,751,680,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2430, there were 792,281,625,142,643,375,919,055,503,503,360,000. He says that in 2430, there were 792,281,625,142,643,375,919,055,503,503,360,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2435, there were 1,584,563,250,285,286,751,838,107,007,007,024,000. He says that in 2435, there were 1,584,563,250,285,286,751,838,107,007,007,024,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2440, there were 3,169,126,500,570,573,503,676,214,014,014,048,000. He says that in 2440, there were 3,169,126,500,570,573,503,676,214,014,014,048,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2445, there were 6,338,253,001,141,146,007,352,428,028,028,096,000. He says that in 2445, there were 6,338,253,001,141,146,007,352,428,028,028,096,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2450, there were 12,676,506,002,282,292,014,704,856,056,056,192,000. He says that in 2450, there were 12,676,506,002,282,292,014,704,856,056,056,192,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2455, there were 25,353,012,004,564,584,029,409,712,112,112,384,000. He says that in 2455, there were 25,353,012,004,564,584,029,409,712,112,112,384,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2460, there were 50,706,024,009,129,168,058,819,424,224,224,768,000. He says that in 2460, there were 50,706,024,009,129,168,058,819,424,224,224,768,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2465, there were 101,412,048,018,258,336,117,638,848,448,449,536,000. He says that in 2465, there were 101,412,048,018,258,336,117,638,848,448,449,536,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2470, there were 202,824,096,036,516,672,235,277,696,896,899,072,000. He says that in 2470, there were 202,824,096,036,516,672,235,277,696,896,899,072,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2475, there were 405,648,192,073,033,344,470,555,393,793,798,144,000. He says that in 2475, there were 405,648,192,073,033,344,470,555,393,793,798,144,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2480, there were 811,296,384,146,066,688,941,110,787,587,596,288,000. He says that in 2480, there were 811,296,384,146,066,688,941,110,787,587,596,288,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2485, there were 1,622,592,768,292,133,377,882,221,575,175,192,576,000. He says that in 2485, there were 1,622,592,768,292,133,377,882,221,575,175,192,576,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2490, there were 3,245,185,536,584,266,755,764,443,150,350,352,115,000. He says that in 2490, there were 3,245,185,536,584,266,755,764,443,150,350,352,115,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2495, there were 6,490,371,073,168,533,511,528,886,300,700,704,230,000. He says that in 2495, there were 6,490,371,073,168,533,511,528,886,300,700,704,230,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2500, there were 12,980,742,146,337,067,023,057,772,600,140,140,460,000. He says that in 2500, there were 12,980,742,146,337,067,023,057,772,600,140,140,460,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2505, there were 25,961,484,292,674,134,046,115,545,200,280,280,920,000. He says that in 2505, there were 25,961,484,292,674,134,046,115,545,200,280,280,920,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2510, there were 51,922,968,585,348,268,088,231,090,400,560,561,840,000. He says that in 2510, there were 51,922,968,585,348,268,088,231,090,400,560,561,840,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2515, there were 103,845,937,170,696,536,176,462,180,800,112,112,368,000. He says that in 2515, there were 103,845,937,170,696,536,176,462,180,800,112,112,368,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2520, there were 207,691,874,341,393,072,352,924,361,600,224,224,736,000. He says that in 2520, there were 207,691,874,341,393,072,352,924,361,600,224,224,736,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2525, there were 415,383,748,682,786,144,705,848,723,200,448,449,472,000. He says that in 2525, there were 415,383,748,682,786,144,705,848,723,200,448,449,472,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2530, there were 830,767,497,373,572,289,411,696,446,496,896,944,000. He says that in 2530, there were 830,767,497,373,572,289,411,696,446,496,896,944,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2535, there were 1,661,534,994,747,144,578,823,392,892,992,179,179,368,000. He says that in 2535, there were 1,661,534,994,747,144,578,823,392,892,992,179,179,368,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2540, there were 3,323,069,989,494,289,157,746,785,785,956,358,357,736,000. He says that in 2540, there were 3,323,069,989,494,289,157,746,785,785,956,358,357,736,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2545, there were 6,646,139,978,988,578,314,473,571,571,912,716,715,472,000. He says that in 2545, there were 6,646,139,978,988,578,314,473,571,571,912,716,715,472,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2550, there were 13,292,279,957,977,156,628,946,143,143,824,432,944,000. He says that in 2550, there were 13,292,279,957,977,156,628,946,143,143,824,432,944,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2555, there were 26,584,559,915,954,313,257,892,286,286,648,865,888,000. He says that in 2555, there were 26,584,559,915,954,313,257,892,286,286,648,865,888,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2560, there were 53,169,119,831,908,626,515,784,572,572,129,717,744,000. He says that in 2560, there were 53,169,119,831,908,626,515,784,572,572,129,717,744,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2565, there were 106,338,239,663,817,253,031,569,145,145,451,488,000. He says that in 2565, there were 106,338,239,663,817,253,031,569,145,145,451,488,000 polygamists in Utah, and that in 2570, there were 212,676,479,327,634,506,062,118,290,290,902,976,000. He says that in 2570, there were 212,676,479,327,634,506,