

MILITIA MUSTER IN UTAH COUNTY.—Our Provo correspondent "A" has furnished the following report of the muster and elections of the militia of that county, which is interesting:

PROVO CITY, May 8th, 1866.

The Militia of Utah Co. met at "Camp Wells" this morning, and although the rainy season had made the roads bad for travel, quite a large number was present. After the usual drill and regimental evolutions, square was formed and Brig. Gen'l Aaron Johnson, proposed that Major Gen'l Burton, conduct and preside over the proceedings of the occasion.

Major Gen'l Burton, stated the purpose for which the militia of the county had been called together,—to organize a Division in this county and elect the proper officers, agreeable to the published Order of Lieut. Gen'l Wells. He then nominated Brig. Gen'l A. Johnson to fill the office of Major General, which was unanimously sustained, as were the following:—Wm. B. Pace, Brig. Gen'l 1st Brigade; Albert K. Thurber, Brig. Gen'l 2nd Brigade; Dorr P. Curtis, 1st Aide; L. S. Wood, Adjutant; and Wm. Miller, Quartermaster on Gen'l Johnson's Staff; L. J. Nuttall, Colonel; Jas. E. Daniels, Lieut. Col.; Samuel S. Jones, Adjutant. Major J. W. Bates, of Col. McClelland's Command, was elected Lieut. Col.

Col. John S. Fullmer then tendered his resignation, expressing the best of feelings for his command, and referring to his long service for over twenty years past. Gen'l Johnson honorably excused Col. Fullmer, on account of his age and long service. Gen'l Burton stated that Col. Fullmer had no wish to evade service, and while it was a pleasure to see men retire who had served so long and faithfully, it was distinctly understood that the Colonel resigned honorably. Wm. M. Bromley was then elected Colonel, and George D. Snell, Lieut. Col.

Gen'l Burton then instructed the Division to be prompt and faithful in discharging their duties, and the officers to be particular in making their returns; and expressed his pleasure in seeing that drill had been attended to, desiring them to continue improving in this as in everything else connected with their duties. He expressed a wish to see them properly uniformed, stating that Col. D. J. Ross had made arrangements by which everything requisite for that purpose could be obtained on liberal terms.

Col. Ross endorsed the remarks of Gen'l Burton; after which Gen'l Pace proposed A. F. MacDonald, for Adjutant of Brigade; George W. Bean, Quartermaster; Dr. John Riggs, Surgeon; and John Leetham, 1st Aide; and Gen'l Johnson proposed John S. Fullmer, for Division Chaplain; Dr. W. T. Lane, Surgeon; A. B. Wild, 2nd Aide, and Richard Bird, 3rd Aide; which appointments were all unanimously sustained.

After a few pertinent remarks by Gen'l Johnson and Gen'l Burton the men were drilled in Brigade evolutions for a short time, and dismissed. The day was pleasant throughout; all passed off in quietness, with the best of feelings, and without any accident occurring.

Yours Respectfully,

Write as often as you can friend "A," we are always glad to hear from you.

PRESENTATION.—On Thursday evening last the 3rd Regiment of Infantry, N. L., presented their late Colonel, D. J. Ross, with a splendid horse, as a mark of respect and esteem. A meeting was held for the purpose, in the 20th Ward School house, and expressions of good feeling and mutual esteem were reciprocated. Lieut. Col. Ottinger offered the presentation address, to which Col. Ross responded in a few appropriate remarks.

LATEST FROM THE SOUTH.—From a reliable source we learn that it is fully confirmed that the two Indians with whom Mrs. C. Bakes and Wm. West had the rencontre, as reported in the News of the 6th inst., were emissaries of Black Hawk. It will be remembered that one of them was killed and the other got away. Br. West was at Prowan on the 2nd, doing well, and recovering from his wound.

Pangwitch John has desired peace, and has delivered up a quantity of weapons as earnest of his pacific intentions.

BRILLIANT METEOR.—On Friday evening last, at ten minutes to eight, a very brilliant meteor started near the center of the heavens, took a south-easterly direction and disappeared about forty-five degrees above the horizon. It was like an exceedingly brilliant rocket, with a train of light behind it, and was in view for several seconds. An abundance of electricity in the atmosphere, manifesting itself in sheet lightning and meteoric balls is said usually to precede rain or very hot weather.

HONEST LOGIC.—We clip the following from the Placerville (Cal.) Mirror. It is honest logic:

We believe in giving even the devil his due, and therefore don't see why our contemporaries make such an outcry against the Mormons on account of the shooting of Brassfield. Though we think the cant about "seducing" married women is the veriest bosh, yet scores of men have been shot in California on pretence of avenging the commission of that "crime" and juries have always acquitted the perpetrator, if, indeed, he was arrested at all. Brassfield eloped with the wife of a Mormon and married her, and was shot for it. It makes no difference if she was the fifth or fortieth wife of the Mormon aforesaid. Under their religion, customs, and even laws, (which have been for twenty years tolerated if not sanctioned by the General Government,) she was his wife, and the logic which would require the forfeit of Brassfield's life in California, ought to work the same way in Utah. If not, why not?

COMMENDABLE.—We noticed several fine apple trees, a few days ago, planted on the south side of 3d South St., in lieu of shade trees. One or two of them were in bloom, and suggested thoughts of sidewalks lined with apple trees, black and white walnuts, black cherry trees, and hickory nuts. Their beautiful bloom in spring, their lovely foliage in summer and their wealth of fruit as the year advances, would give beauty, pleasure and gratification during at least three seasons of the four. What if a few passers pluck some of the fruit? Let them. It would hurt nobody, but do the pluckers good. It is in keeping, too, with the liberal feeling and hospitality of our citizens. Yes, plant fruit trees for shade, by all means.

GRATIFYING.—Dr. S. L. Sprague's daughter Mary Ann, an interesting young lady of nearly sixteen, has suffered for about eleven years with a bad foot and ankle, supposed to have originated with a sprain. Several efforts had been made, years ago, to relieve her sufferings and effect a cure, which in one or two instances all but succeeded, carelessness in making too free with the injured limb, nullifying the remedies then employed. Some little time since, however, an operation was performed while the young lady was under the influence of chloroform, and a great amount of diseased bone was removed, a deep incision having been made for the purpose. The numerous friends of the Doctor will be gratified to know that the operation was successful, and that there is every prospect of a sure and permanent cure being the result.

THE UNITED STATES PACIFIC TELEGRAPH CO. completed their line to Austin on the 9th, and expect to soon open an office in that city.

PARLEY'S KANYON.—The road up Parley's Canyon has been under repair for some time back, and considerable progress has been made in getting it ready for regular travel. We understand that br. Joseph A. Young, who has charge of the road between this city and the Weber, has thirty-five men at work on it, and will have more employed there in a short time. When a popular line of travel becomes measurably or entirely stopped, people are apt to get impatient; but this impatience should not lead them to expect or look for unreasonable things. Several circumstances have retarded the making the road up that canyon, not simply practicable but a thoroughly good road. A heavy land-slide blocked up the creek, and raised the water back up onto the road for a considerable distance. The water rose in two days and took the road with such force that it required a couple of weeks of hard work to re-open it. People who are at all conversant with the canyons know it is a very difficult matter to hold the roads against the waters when they have to be contended with. Other causes have also helped to retard progress. And while it is desirable that the repairing of the road through Parley's Canyon should be completed as early as possible, it is better to exercise a little patience and have it done in a manner that will prevent a recurrence of the past difficulty of travel that way in the course of a few months. From Mr. Young's known energy there is no question but what the balance of the road under repair will be completed at as early a day as practicable, much having been already accomplished.

HAD IT RIGHT.—We heard a shrewd gentleman remark lately, in referring to certain rumors floating around, that there is a class of men about who despise telling second hand news. They prefer giving it fresh from the mint, and do not charge a cent for the coinage.

PASSING.—Capt. Harley Taft and Mr. Homer Chase, from Los Angeles, with a mule train of wagons loaded with groceries, &c., left this city for Helena, Montana Territory, on the 16th inst. One mule train has already passed here from the Missouri for Montana, and another is now camped on Emigration Square, preparing for the north.

A CURIOSITY. at least to many, is a very handsome spotted mule colt owned by br. David Grant, Mill Creek Ward. What is termed its ground color is white, beautifully variegated and flecked with black spots, with a small red spot on the nose and right shoulder, presenting a very novel and attractive appearance in mule coloring.

A MONTHLY CALENDAR. courteously prepared by Elder William Clayton, with the moon's changes, sun's rising and setting, &c., will doubtless prove interesting and useful to a large number of our readers.

NEW WASHING MACHINE.—Washing machines are great institutions, whether you take the old fashioned kind that tucks in a hearty breakfast helped down with coffee, does up the washing, and generally "fixes things" afterwards, like the gentleman's who showed a friend his washing machine in the shape of a stout colored girl; or the newer kind that with a few movements of the hand and a jumbling of simple machinery turns out the soiled clothing in a cleansed condition. But one of the best of the new kind that we have heard of we saw in operation on Tuesday morning, at br. Joseph Bull's, 17th Ward, where the little thing was being worked and turning out "the washing" with astonishing quickness. A basketful of soiled clothing was thrown in, the handle was turned, and in seven minutes and a half the whole was wrung out nicely washed. Three flannel sheets and a heavy woolen shirt followed, and in five minutes and a quarter were brought out clean. Then a large heavy dress of home-made, various articles of under-clothing, stockings, woolen garments, &c., making quite a batch, were put in, and wrung out clean in a few seconds under eight minutes. Several intelligent gentlemen were present and watched the process. Br. Bull procured the machine which is a California patent, by Mr. John M. Horner, of Mission, San Jose, while on his late trip to California for this Office. He likes it; so do his folks; and we think if the machines could be landed here at a reasonable figure they would command a very large sale. Arrangements are being made to accomplish this, which we hope will be successful. The machine is called "Economy," and merits the title.

TIME OF STARTING.—From an editorial in the *Millennial Star* we learn that President Brigham Young, Jun., expected to charter the first vessel to start about the 20th of April, and to have the emigration closed before the end of May. The destruction of nearly 600 vessels by terrible storms in the North Pacific and German Oceans and the English and Irish Channels, since the 1st of January, was rendering the chartering of vessels rather more difficult than usual, but Pres. Young adds:—"Brethren, support us by your faith and prayers, and our faith is that all will be well."

VEINS OF COPPER. says the Reese River *Reveille*, some of them 30 feet wide, have been discovered about 70 miles north of Austin, and 12 miles from the Humboldt, "near the termination of the Shoshone range of mountains." The *Reveille* adds:—"Nearly every specimen showed native copper. There were green carbonate, grey copper ore and red oxide of copper, holding incrustations of malachite beautifully banded. Probably no richer copper ores can be produced on the coast."

RUMORS AND CAUTION.—There are various rumors floating around of an unreliable character, concerning Indians in the mountains and canyons, and around the settlements. To credit all the stories that are or may be circulated would be absurd. They will be originated by the merest trifle, misapprehension of something said by somebody, information misunderstood and in other ways. Still, while there are renegade and reckless savages in some of the mountains within the bounds of the Territory, it will only be a matter of prudential caution for those going into the mountains anywhere to be extremely careful. The wandering habits of the Indians need not be pointed out where they are so well known, and it is hard to say where some of the vicious ones may not be lurking about. People should at all times take proper precautionary measures to preserve life and property; and where there is the probability of danger, however remote, increased care should be exercised to guard against it.

VIRGEN CITY.—Br. A. J. Workman writes from Virgen City, Kane co., and reports favorably of prospects in that region. At date of writing, April 15th, the people were busy putting in their crops, the general health was good, times were flourishing and everything looked cheering for a plentiful season with an abundance of fruit.

DOWN SOUTH.—We have been favored with the perusal of a letter from Washington, Washington Co., to Elder George A. Smith, dated April 22nd, from which we learn that gardening prospects in that locality are very good. Br. Smith's correspondent says:—"I will soon have peas in bloom, with plenty of lettuce and onions. I have some apricots as large as plums, though most of them were killed by frost. I will have a larger crop of peaches than I have seen since I came here. Some trees have from one to six peaches on one bloom, a thing which I never saw nor heard of before. We have had the velvet pink out for some days past, and in a few days we will have plenty of roses with other kinds of pinks. Pres. B. Young's factory is progressing well." Who says "our Dixie" is not a growing institution?

GOING NORTH.—Trains, teams and pack animals line the road from this city for a considerable distance on the way north. More are about starting, and still more preparing to move. Owners of stock by the way, keep a good look after your loose cows and oxen; we have been informed that some drivers of stock going that way have been getting strange "critters" mixed up with their herds rather obliviously. Let them get and take what they pay for, but look sharp after your cattle or you may lose some.

ANOTHER OUTRAGE.—On Thursday afternoon as Charles Williams of this city was on the range over Jordan, hunting stock, three "blues" on horseback approached him, and asked the time of day. He gave the information and turned away when one of them struck him with a slung shot on the shoulder and side of the head, knocking him off his horse. His assailant dismounted, and approached him, but Williams gave the villain the benefit of his lariat, which he held in his hand, across the face, and a sound kick in the abdomen, which knocked him out of time. Scoundrel number two dismounted to help his comrade, when one of their horses made off and was followed by the third. Some men approaching at the time caused all three to decamp, which they did in double quick time, the runaway horse having been caught. Robbery with murder if necessary was most likely the object in view. Pity the scoundrels are not known.

ANOTHER ONE.—A "blue," named John Johnson, was arrested on Wednesday night, 9th inst., for grossly insulting and assaulting two ladies on East Temple St., and accommodated with gratuitous lodgings in the calaboose for the night. Next morning he was turned over to Col. Potter.

PIGS.—Wanted, a few YOUNG PIGS. Call at this Office.

FOR SALE.—Valuable property for sale in Wahship—houses and farm.

MARKS AND BRANDS.—See notice of Wm. Clayton, Recorder of Marks and Brands.

SEE NOTICE of strayed or stolen by Briant Stringam.

READ DICKER'S announcement about Drums.

SPRINGTOWN.—Br. Joseph T. Ellis, of Springtown, Sanpete Co., called in on Tuesday morning and gave us a good report of that place. He says everything is prosperous and flourishing there; the people have sown a large amount of grain this spring; and are energetically pushing ahead, although they have had a full share of Indian troubles to contend with. Had it not been for this cause much building would have been done this season, a great quantity of rock having been quarried, during the past winter for that purpose. The people feel first rate, and were never more united in their desires to do good. And the most vigilant efforts have been made to guard against the inroads of the marauding savages. All honor to Springtown and its people, for feeling and doing so well under the circumstances. Br. Ellis brought 33 milch cows into the city with him, several of them with calves, to sell, for the benefit of the settlement.

THE LIQUOR AND BILLIARD QUESTION AGAIN.—Monday afternoon Wm. West and W. B. Welton were charged before Justice Clinton with unlawfully selling liquor and playing billiards, contrary to the City Ordinance. West was discharged, and the case continued over until Tuesday morning, when Welton was fined \$100 and an order of the Court made to abate the nuisance. An appeal was taken before the Probate Court; and afterwards Cap. W. Kittridge made an affidavit before Associate Justice, S. P. McCurdy, of the Supreme Court, in Chambers, setting forth that he was the owner, controller and proprietor of the property involved in the order of abatement, which he said was threatened to be destroyed, and asked for a writ of injunction to stay proceedings until the appeal would be heard. Judge McCurdy granted the writ; and U. S. Marshal Hosmer served it upon Alderman Clinton, City Marshal McAllister, Prosecuting Attorney Snow and Cap. A. Burt.

SCANDINAVIAN MISSION.—Elder Charles Widerborg, writing from Copenhagen, March 21st, says:—Elder C. O. Folkmann, writing to me from Drontheim (Trondhjem), Norway, says:—"On the morning of Friday, 2nd February, at 4 o'clock, several persons witnessed a remarkable phenomenon in the sky, about three-and-a-half English miles south of Trondhjem. The sky was clear and cloudless, when there suddenly appeared in a brilliant light the vision of a burning city, the houses and streets of which could be plainly discerned. An earthquake was also felt in Norway, on the 10th inst., at 2 o'clock a.m., which lasted from two to three minutes. The tower of a church in Trondhjem rocked so much that the bells rang; the furniture in the houses moved to and fro, while the walls creaked and cracked and the inhabitants ran out of their beds and into the streets in great consternation." It seems that the Lord is fulfilling His words, "There shall be signs in heaven and on earth, and earthquakes in divers places." I fully believe that we are on the threshold of great events, and that the nations on the Continent will soon be involved in a burning war, as Austria and Prussia have begun to prepare themselves for war, and Denmark will also be involved on account of Schleswig-Holstein. I feel to praise the Lord for the protecting care that He has had over His servants and Saints. The Gospel is being preached, many are obeying its precepts, and Israel is gathering home. The plan our enemies laid to destroy my reputation in the eyes of the public has signally failed, praise be to the Lord. Yesterday, my clerks, Brothers M. Peterson and A. W. Carlson, in company with myself, were summoned to attend the Court, when the judge addressed me as follows:—"Mr. Widerborg,—It is a great pleasure to me to declare in the presence of the members of the court, and two witnesses of your own society, that you are free from the charges entered against you. Your accuser confessed before this court yesterday, that her charge was entirely false and a calumny. This I believed it to be from the beginning; and, although I do not sympathize with 'Mormonism,' I am glad to announce you clear of the false accusation and find your character restored in the eyes of the public." The result of this case has stirred up the public mind and drawn many strangers to our meetings, where they have the opportunity of hearing faithful testimonies borne. The cause of truth is advancing, not alone in Copenhagen, but also in all parts of the Mission, and it appears that the Lord is hastening His work.—[*Millennial Star*.]

HEADQUARTERS, DEPARTMENT OF THE MISSOURI,

St. Louis, Mo., April 16, 1866.

GENERAL ORDERS,

No. 49.

The following extract from the Act of Congress approved March 3d, 1863, entitled "An Act in relation to harboring or concealing Deserters," is hereby published for the information and guidance of all concerned in this department:

Section 24. And be it further enacted, That every person not subject to the Rules and Articles of War who shall procure or entice a soldier in the service of the United States to desert; or who shall harbor, conceal, or give employment to a deserter; or carry him away, or aid in carrying him away, knowing him to be such; or who shall purchase from any soldier his arms, equipments, ammunition, uniform, clothing, or any part thereof; or any Captain or commanding officer of any ship or vessel, or any superintendent or conductor of any railroad, or any other public conveyance, carrying away any such soldier as one of his crew or otherwise, knowing him to have deserted, or shall refuse to deliver him up to the orders of his commanding officer, shall, upon legal conviction, be fined, at the discretion of any court having cognizance of the same, in any sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, and he shall be imprisoned not exceeding two years nor less than six months.

Commanding Officers of Posts and Detachments in this command will circulate this order among the inhabitants.

By command of MAJOR GENERAL POPE:
JOHN P. SHERBOURNE,
Assistant Adjutant General.

Official:
GEO. F. PRICE,
Assistant Adjutant General,
District of Utah.