

Wednesday, 3. March 14, 1883.

## FLOATING FRAGMENTS.

Telephone communications are now operated at a distance of 500 miles, between Cleveland and New York.

The Utah excursionists to California are stringing back home again, all seemingly well pleased with their trip.

The crowned heads of Europe invited to be present at the coronation of the Czar of Russia have prudently concluded to attend by proxy.

Plans for the improvement of public grounds must all be in the hands of the Council committee by tomorrow, the last day of grace.

The men arrested for stealing ore from the Mammoth Mine at Tintic, Utah, are Tom Trezona, Wm. Patch, N. Boudin, and Tom Renowden. So the Denver says.

The magnificent Weber grand piano kindly given by Dayton & Co. for use at Stephen's concert will be the central flower of Stephen's big bouquet.

We are informed by good authority that in the last six record months the business of the Ogden branch of S. C. M. I. did business to the amount of \$200,000, corresponding with an annual trade of one million dollars.—Ogden Herald.

## LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

The Stock Company.—Next Friday night's bill at the Opera House will be "The Duel in the Snow, or a Wife's Curse," to conclude with "Ariadne, the Wonderful Scamp." There will be matinee on Saturday. On Saturday night "The Chauvinist" will be presented.

Beneficial.—David Booth, of Brigham City, tells us, by letter, that the Primary Associations of the First and Second wards of that town lately gave an entertainment for the benefit of the emigration fund. The Young Men's and Young Ladies' Associations of the First Ward had also been doing some benevolent work, worthy of emulation.

Stereotype in Celluloid.—In the Semi-Weekly will be an advertisement of the Mason & Hamlin Organ and Piano Company, for whom Mr. David O. Calder is agent for Utah. The stereotype from which the advertisement is printed is celluloid, a material susceptible of the most delicate impressions, being the next thing in fibrous to a copperplate engraving. So clear and delicate are the lines that the figures are good likenesses of parties they are intended to represent. The celluloid system of stereotype impressions is not yet in general use, being a recent invention.

Nearly a Fire.—About six o'clock last evening a haystack on the premises of Brother Thomas Green, of the Sixth Ward, took fire. Fortunately the flames were discovered in their incipient and extinguished before a great deal of damage was done. Had this not been the case the affair might have been quite serious, the stack being in close proximity to some buildings.

The cause was a common one—a quantity of matches associated with a small boy. This combination is a dangerous one, calculated to do a wonderful amount of mischief.

An Accidental Spill.—Shortly before 9 o'clock this morning Brother Thomas Harris, accompanied by a man and a boy, was driving westward along North Temple Street, between West Temple and First West, in a light wagon, and approaching toward City Creek caudex, the whole outfit capsize, throwing the two men, boy, horse, soap grease, etc., into the stream, with wagon on top. Fortunately, there was but little water, and the two of a couple of young men who were passing, all were got out safely, with the loss of some little of the contents of the wagon, a pair of broken shafts and the addition of a good ducking.

A Profitable Address.—President W. Woodruff's address before the Mutual Improvement Association of the 6th Ward, last evening, was very interesting. He gave an account of his early experience in the Church, his association with the Prophet Joseph, and his labors in the ministry, spoke of some little of the history of the Church, and the work necessary for the redemption of the human family; showed the responsibilities that would rest upon the young people of Israel, in hearing of the kingdom; exhorted them to honor their parents, be faithful and attentive in their prayers, study and read well the principles of the Gospel, and practice them in their purity. He reviewed the progress made by the Church since its organization. There was no danger of the adversary overcoming the Church. It was organized to remain on the earth.

An Unmitigated Brute.—Yesterday evening officers A. Smith and W. Salazar arrested a fellow named J. E. Anderson, a miner, on a charge of committing a rape upon a little girl, eleven years old, who lives with her parents on Plum St., near Commercial St. According to a story told to the officers by the girl herself last night, it appeared that the brutal fellow had accomplished his purpose, but a thorough investigation to-day failed to show that such was the fact. It appears, however, beyond question that Anderson had been in the habit of decoying little girls, and especially the one alluded to, by giving them money and taking liberties with their persons. It is also clear that he made several attempts to outrage the person of the girl who lives on Plum Street, but it is not plain that he accomplished the brutal and damnable act. The accused, who is in jail, is evidently a debased, filthy, unmitigated scoundrel, who, if he had his just deserts would not long pollute the moral atmosphere of the community. It is possible that a judicial investigation in the police court may develop some facts in the case that do not at present appear.

## THE MORMONS AND POLYGAMY.

SEBASTIAN BALLANTYNE'S EXPERIENCE IN INTELLIGENT OPINIONS ON THE SUBJECT.

The following is taken from an account of an interview between a representative of the Denver Tribune, and the eminent barrister, Mr. Sebastian Ballantyne, which occurred on Sunday last:

"In the relations between the Imperial government and the interior States," he said to a Tribune reporter yesterday, "it is not intended that domestic affairs shall become the subject for legislative reform or direction. Such a law as the one recently passed could not be applied to a State, and that fact is admitted by your best constitutional authorities, what sufficient reason is there for its application in a Territory? The Territory is not a State, and exemption for a major faction should also be protection for a minor part. The Territory should be as free from unconstitutional restraint as the State, and you will find that the Edmunds law cannot be enforced in Utah when it comes to the test. I polygamy is a wrong or an evil it can only be eradicated by provisional legislation of your constitutional fathers. You are not armed with this instrument, and per consequence you can only treat the subject with social discussion and social influence. It is beyond your power, under the fundamental principles of your universal liberties and independence, to consider the recognized freedom of domestic customs throughout the world, to suppress polygamy by class legislation, which the Edmunds bill most assuredly is."

"One of the discriminating injustices of the bill was particularly brought to my notice," continued the barrister. "That is the disenfranchisement of the Mormon women, and by the way, it is the cause of a savage feeling against the government. Mrs. Smith, a venerable lady of 80 and odd years, and a widow of one of the prophets, who is the owner of a large estate, lamented the loss of her suffrage. 'Here am I,' she said, 'an old woman who has always lived an honest and pure life. I am a large property holder, but this law denies me the privilege of voting in behalf of my interests while you confer the franchise on the male, the female, the keeper of a brothel, faunts by me to the polls, and is allowed to cast a ballot. Now, is that just government? I believe that a woman is best employed at home, and is deserving of no recognition at the polls, I had to agree that this was directed at a line of public right without regard for either public policy or public justice.'"

The barrister manifested a deep interest in the subject as he talked, and finally heaved out into the open his own opinion on the subject of polygamy, in which he appears to honestly believe.

"The Mormons have good and strong arguments in support of their religion, and I am inclined to believe," he said, "to which full hearing should be given by those who seek to correct them. They are really accomplishing what the people in England aim to do in fighting what we call the social evil. The diseases of dissipation and licentious practices are unknown among them. They are a clean, honest, and law-abiding community. It is a mistake to hold that the faith fosters lust. On the contrary it is founded on a principle of religion, which combats lustfulness. A plurality of wives is a natural element of the Mormon religion. And the reason in the custom or faith, or whatever you choose to term it, is for the benefit of the people, which aims to protect the wife against the approaches of the husband after the period of conception. I have heard this separation of man and wife, after the period stated, urged as a decency and as being otherwise beneficial from the point of view of the health of England. The plurality of wives morally saves the husband and physically protects the mother. The Mormons adhere strictly to this provision of their religion, as drawn from the Bible, and severely punish the one who dare disregard it. It is the maintaining belief and practice of Mormonism, and they universally protect it as such. Then, as the means of peopling a new country, polygamy is deserving of commendation and encouragement. The increase in population is rapid, and I find there is no deterioration in race or decadence in the health or strength of the augmented generation."

"Did you find any phase of evil in Mormonism?"

"None that was not counterbalanced by good. I did not investigate to any depth the question of experience in the Imperial government within the Imperial rule, and would not feel secure in expressing an opinion on it. It may be dangerous to some extent, but I could not see that evil had resulted in Utah. The fact is, recurring to the subject of polygamous repression, I don't believe it was purely the origin of your national legislators, who must have known that their determination on the Edmunds bill had an unconstitutional result. The opposition to the Mormons, you will find, is a religious one, that has taken the form of the historical persecution. As in the precedents cases, the persecution will result ultimately in an enlargement of sympathy and an enlargement of the Mormon church. If polygamy must be wiped out to satisfy the religious denominations that war against it, it means other than unconstitutional legislation will have to be devised."

The Fire at Payson.—Brother J. D. Stark furnishes the following about the fire at Payson:

"On Sunday night, March 11th, the house of Henry G. Boyle was destroyed by fire, which broke out about 11 o'clock, after the family had retired. The first alarm was given by Brother Boyle himself, having been awakened by the crackling of the flames in the adjoining room, which he first thought was caused by a fall of the shingles. He immediately aroused the family and looked into the apartment through the door, which had opened, and found the entire apartment enshrouded and full of fire. The heat compelled him to immediately shut the door and get out the wife and children, who barely escaped with what clothing they could snatch up, also the bedding in that room, four chairs, his books, journals, records, and papers of value. They lost all the furniture belonging to the family. The loss estimate is about \$1,000, and is a severe blow, which will probably be felt for some time."

Steps are being taken by our citizens to make up the loss and build Brother Boyle another home. The people sympathize greatly with him and family, and are looking to their immediate wants and necessities, though many people did not know there had been a fire until the middle of the next day. The family will be all right and we will see to it."

A False Alarm.—Some alarm was created this morning by a report that there was a case of smallpox in the northeast part of the Eighth ward. Dr. Clinton, the quarantine physician, promptly visited the locality, and found that the rumor had arisen from the fact that a couple of children were affected with chicken pox.

The Church Abroad.—The following is summarized from the statistical report for 1882, of the European Mission of the Church, published in the *Millennial Star* of Feb. 16th, 1883:

Branches.	Apostles.	High Priests.	Seventies.	Missionaries.	Teachers.	Deacons.	Members.	Total Officers and Members.
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Back from the Coast.—Yesterday Bishop Robert T. Burton and Lewis S. Hills, Esq., returned from a trip to the Coast, with which they were greatly pleased. They enjoyed all the sights and circumstances of their visit excepting the fog, which gathered up late at night and did not disappear until nine o'clock in the morning, when the mists are dispelled by the grateful rays of the sun. But while the humid accumulations do not conduce to the physical comfort of man, they have the gratifying effect of causing vegetation to luxuriate, thus furnishing an ample compensation. The travelers visited, in addition to San Francisco, Los Angeles, Monterey, Santa Anna, Santa Cruz, Lathrop and San Bernardino. They are welcome back again among their friends.

## SPECIAL BUSINESS NOTICES.

## CONFERENCE NOTICE.

Persons intending to have work of any kind upon their teeth performed by Dr. Van Aukin during conference, should call on arriving in town, so that if they require a new set of teeth they can take them away when they leave. Remember, Dr. Van Aukin has removed to new dental rooms opposite the Twelfth Ward Meeting House, First South Street. d 2t

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## BLOOD WILL TELL.

And this Spring the blood in your veins is sluggishly coursing, or is thin, watery and lacks vitality. This means material or typhoid fever, rheumatism, or other ailments of the blood or kidneys before you are three months older, unless corrected. Save yourself all the expense and suffering of sickness, by using at once that great blood purifier, "Serravallo's Dandelion and Iodine of Potassium," prepared by Brown Medicine Co. Delays are dangerous, procure a bottle now.

## THE WEST AND SOUTH.

Are aware of the fact that "Brown's Vegetable Liver Pills" are the only ones that are ready for immediate use, constipation and sick headache. Prepared for this climate solely. 25 cents.

## Remember Brown's America Salve is warranted.

Ask for Jersey Lily Complexion Powder, 25 cents, box.

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