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Special Notices.

DRUMS.—Big and Little Bass and Snarr Drums have arrived in good supply, and can be bought of DIMICK B. HUNTINGTON, 16th Ward. w46 tf

A Splendid Assortment of New Goods both beautiful and cheap, expressly adapted for Christmas and New Year's Gifts, is on view in the newly-erected Jewelry Establishment kept by Carl C. Asmussen, East Temple Street. Call and delight yourself by the sight of it. Optical Goods: finest assortment of Spectacles, etc., on hand. w423m

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY.

VARIOUS.—To enable the residents of the 5th and 6th Wards to attend Professor Pratt's lecture to-night, the usual weekly entertainment given in the school-house is postponed till to-morrow evening.

The usual weekly lecture will be given in the 19th Ward Literary Institute, to-morrow evening. We have not learned who the lecturer will be.

The Couldocks, supported by the Langrishe Troupe, performed at McDaniel's Theatre, Cheyenne, on Friday and Saturday last.

We learn from our Nevada exchanges that the weather has been excessively cold there lately.

FIRE AT WASHINGTON.—The following telegram was received this morning, by Deseret Telegraph Line:

"St. GEORGE, Jan. 17, 1871.

Des. News.—The gin-house and cotton-gin of James Richie, Esq., at Washington, was consumed yesterday by fire. The fire was first seen in the gin, and was supposed to have originated from matches accidentally dropped into the cotton, or from friction. Three thousand pounds of cotton were destroyed, and only a few bales saved; damage \$2,000. A portion of the cotton belonged to W. C. Smithson, and most of the residue to Richie. The scanty crop of cotton last season makes this a serious loss."

GEO. A. SMITH.

BIBLE POLYGAMY.—*Deseret News.*—How very contemptible must he appear, in the eyes of every Sunday school pupil of any and every religion in the country, who denies that the Old Testament justifies, sanctions, and, in many cases, commands polygamy! I would just as soon attempt to prove that the sun never shone, or that the mountains do not exist, or that water will not run down hill, or that the earth is not moistened when rain falls from heaven.

By taking the negative of all the foregoing propositions, however ingeniously I might handle them, would I not be very apt to secure a reputation for dishonesty and falsehood equal in magnitude to the shrewdness of my arguments? Every person, old and young, who has read the Bible, no matter of what sect or creed, knows what it says concerning polygamy. The arguments, used against it remind me of the young mathematician who felt anxious to exhibit to his father, his wonderful proficiency in prose-

cuting the study of that science. "Father," said the young hopeful, "I can make three out of two." "Can you, my son, let me see you perform it." "Mother," said the son, "is cooking chickens for our dinner" (two in number) the son pointing to one, says, "that is one, then pointing to the second, says, "that is two. Now father don't two and one make three." "Well! Well! my son," says the father, "I will try the merits of your mathematical demonstrations and you shall share the benefit of them. I will have the first chicken for my dinner, your mother may have the second for hers, and you, my son, shall have the third for your learning."

The above is a fair sample of all the logic brought to bear against Bible polygamy. ORSON HYDE. Spring City, Jan. 9, 1871.

THOSE DECORATIONS.—In our notice, yesterday, of the specimens of decorative paper hangings in front of Z. C. M. I. we should have stated that the specimens were gotten up for the Clothing and not the Dry Goods Department. Brother John Needham, who has charge of that department, is not only prepared to supply the public with paper hangings of tasteful and pleasing patterns but can also have them put up for those who desire it, he having engaged Brother W. H. Fowler, paper hanger, late of London, for that purpose.

SILVER.—The Gold Hill News is responsible for the following: "A careful assay made a few days ago of the dirt on Main street, Gold Hill, to the depth of four feet, showed a yield of silver of \$628, with a trace of gold. Talk about the streets of Jerusalem being paved with gold! Here in Gold Hill our main street is paved with silver; or, as the Chinamen used to say in California, 'two pan, one color.'"

FEMALE RELIEF SOCIETY PARTY.—At the 12th Ward Hall one of the finest parties of the season came off last evening. It was a ball given by the Female Relief Society of that Ward—of which Sister Priscilla Staines is Presidentess—and for its benefit. Financially it was as great a success as it was socially. There were many visitors present from other Wards, among them were several Bishops and other leading citizens and President D. H. Wells and Elder W. Woodruff. The number present was very large, but the space devoted to dancing was ample, and under the superintendence of Bishop L. W. Hardy, everything went off very smoothly. We think this method of raising funds for the benefit of the Female Relief Societies, and to aid them in carrying out their works of benevolence, an excellent one; and we hope that Sister Staines and her associates had their expectations fully gratified by the party of last evening. They deserved to be.

NEWS.—The Cincinnati Daily Times says:

"McKay, long noted as being the leader of the mail robbers of Central Utah, has been captured. His captors will receive a liberal reward which has been offered by the Government for his arrest."

The Times is wonderfully well posted about Utah, better, a great deal, than the folks hereabouts. McKay was one of the robbers arrested a few months ago, in Juab County, for robbing the mail, but it is all nonsense to talk about him having been "long noted" as the leader of the mail robbers of Central Utah, for mail, or any other kind of robbers cannot ply their vocation for a week in any part of Utah without being caught and brought to justice. The "Mormon" officers of the law understand their business and cannot be bought to swerve from duty.

HEIRS WANTED.—S. P. Doss, Esq., a lawyer, residing at Nevada City, Mo., writes to a citizen of Rich County, for information respecting the heirs of one John Faylor, who died some years ago in Vernon Co., Mo., and was originally from Grundy Co., Ills. Mr. Doss says that he has learned that the wife and one son of the deceased Mr. Faylor, came to Salt Lake some years ago, and he is desirous of learning something of them, as a share of deceased's estate will fall to them. The claim must be preferred in six months from the 20th of last November.

SHEET MUSIC.—There is a splendid assortment of sheet music now for sale at the Railroad News Depot, East Temple Street, having just been brought by Mr. Dwyer from the publishing house of M. Gray, 621 and 623 Clay St., San Francisco, California. The collection comprises some of the latest and best schottisches, waltzes, galops, quadrilles and songs, American and English, including the celebrated songs, "The Sister's Appeal," with the

answer thereto—"Brother Home Again," &c., &c. These sheets are got up in the highest style of art, and prove that in this branch of the printing business San Francisco is hard to excel.

SELLING WITHOUT LICENSE.—James Gordon has been summoned to appear before Alderman Clinton to-morrow, at 11 a. m., on a charge of selling whisky without license. He was found guilty of a similar charge a few months ago, and fined, but entered a plea to the jurisdiction of the Alderman's Court.

THE LECTURE TO-NIGHT.—Remember the lecture in the Tabernacle to-night,—the first of a series on Astronomy, by Professor Orson Pratt. Time of commencement half past six. Tabernacle will be well lighted, and warmed so as to be comfortable for the occasion. Admission free, no collection, and all classes respectfully invited to attend!

INVITATION BALL.—We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to attend a select ball to be held at Camp Douglas to-morrow evening. We understand that it is to be a very fine affair; Olsen's band and Curry have been engaged to attend.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY.

NOT "WILLING TO PAY MORE."—Mr. James Gordon, whose case is mentioned elsewhere, brought in the following note this morning, with a request for publication in to-days News:

Editor Deseret Evening News.—I have again been up before the City Council "For selling liquor without a license. Now the facts are these: I pay the City Council's agents (\$50) fifty dollars per month, and they demand more.

JAMES GORDON.

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.—We have been endeavoring, for a considerable time past, to bring our subscription and mailing departments to a perfect system, and we are gratified at the amount of success that has attended our efforts, the latter branch being, we believe almost faultless. Notwithstanding the large circulation of our several editions, we are enabled, by using the most improved style of mailing machine, to forward to our subscribers, whether in package or single wrappers, their papers with their names on a printed label thereon. As the present volumes of our Semi-Weekly and Weekly editions will shortly expire, our subscribers in the various settlements should renew their subscriptions to the ensuing volumes as soon as possible, in order to enable our mailing clerk to get the names in type preparatory to sending out the first number of the coming volume.

SENTENCED.—We are informed, by Theodore F. Tracy, Esq., that he received a dispatch last evening, stating that the men who committed the robbery of the railroad express car, between Reno and Verdi, had each been sentenced to thirty years in the State prison.

TRUCKEE ON FIRE.—A telegram per Deseret Telegraph line, dated 17th, 5 p. m., from D. W. Parkhurst, Esq., of this city, received last night, too late for publication, says: "A good part of the town of Truckee is on fire; loss about \$200,000."

EXCOMMUNICATED.—At a public meeting, held in Spanish Fork City, Dec. 18th, 1870, Robert Grainger was cut off from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints for stealing and lying.

GEO. W. WILKINS,
Acting Bishop.
CHAS. MONK, Clerk.

THIRTY-SECOND VOLUME.—The thirty-second volume of that interesting and valuable periodical, the *Millennial Star*, ended with its issue of December 27th. In entering upon volume thirty-three we wish it the continued success it deserves.

ENTERTAINMENT.—There will be a mixed entertainment for the young in the 6th Ward School-house, to-night. It will include singing recitations, addresses etc.

LECTURE.—Elder Henry W. Naisbit will deliver a lecture in the 19th Ward Literary Institute, to-night.

THE LICENSE CASE.—Mr. James Gordon, of this city, this morning appeared before Alderman Clinton, on two charges of selling liquor without a license; he was fined \$100 for each offence. He gave notice of an appeal to the District Court.

WHITE GIRL RECOVERED FROM INDIANS.—Mr. R. Hereford, interpreter for the Bannack Indians, sends information to U. S. Marshal Wheeler, of Montana, regarding the recovery of a white girl from Indian captivity. As the publication of

the communication may tend to the restoration of the little wanderer to her relatives, we herewith insert it as it appeared in the Helena, Ma., Gazette:

FT. PARKER, January 6th, 1871.

W. F. WHEELER, U. S. Marshal:
Dear Sir:—I went to-day to the Bannack camp with two men by the name of Silford Kutch and Thomas Cutler, that Col. Wham, the Indian Agent at Wind River, sent up here to get a little girl that they think is white, who was captured in 1862 on Raft River, by the Bannacks. I succeeded in finding her, and have her here in my room, and they will start back in a few days with her. Her name is McIntyre. Gen. Viall may know something about the matter. She is about fourteen years of age, I think, but small of her age; she is quite fair, and her hair is light; she is much sunburnt, which gives her the appearance of being a quarter breed, which the Indians claim she is. I had no trouble with the Indians, in getting them to give her up, and she was willing to come and go back to the Wind River Agency. When I spoke to Tim Doy and Targee, (the Chiefs,) they were surprised, but after I explained the matter to them, they said it was all right, if I said so, for they had known me a long time, and I had never lied to them, and whatever I said was straight and good.

Respectfully,
R. HEREFORD.

CURE FOR CANCER.—Bro. Benjamin Judson, an employe of this office, is a genius in his way; he has contrived to pick up a great many curious items of knowledge about many things. He understands the construction of every instrument from an accordeon and flutina to a church organ, and is able to repair them; at the present time he has an organ in process of construction for his own use. Besides this he has some knowledge about repairing the human system, and has performed some remarkable cures of cancers. He has frequent calls to attend to cases of this kind; but his other duties will not admit of his bestowing time upon them. He is anxious, however, that the public should have the benefit of his remedy. The only thing which he uses, he says, to cure this horrible disease is a lemon poultice applied twice a day; with this simple application he asserts that he has effected the cure of many inveterate cases. Now that we have railroad communication with the East and West lemons are easily procured, and the remedy can be easily tried. When unable to procure lemons he uses citric acid—which can be procured at the drug store—diluted with water. An application of this kind he finds a very good substitute for lemons when they are out of season.

REAPPEARANCE.—The Denver Tribune, of the 14th, says the Langrishe troupe, with the Couldocks were to open the season at Denver on Monday evening,—the 16th.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY.

LEFT FOR "DIXIE."—Hon. Joseph A. Young and Feramor Little, Esq., left this city yesterday morning, on a visit to Dixie. They reached Provo last night.

GONE ON A PREACHING TOUR.—Elders Edward Stevenson and Nathan Porter left this city to-day, on a preaching tour in the South; they expect to go as far as Dixie.

INFORMATION WANTED.—Mrs. Lilly, of Middlesborough, Yorkshire, England, wishes to hear of the whereabouts of her daughter, the wife of James Weaver, a shoemaker, who, with her husband and six children, left Middlesborough six years since.

THOSE RAILWAY ROBBERIES.—The railway robbers, Baker, Norton and Taylor whose sentences were mentioned in the local column yesterday, committed the crime for which they are now paying the penalty, near Independence, and not between Reno and Verdi, as then stated; the robbery committed between the two last named places was by another gang.

TO SUBSCRIBERS.—To prevent misunderstanding and mistakes between subscribers who live outside of this City and this office, just previous to the expiration of each person's subscription a notification to that effect, in the form of a circular, will be inserted in the paper, so that should the subscriber desire to renew, he can do so, by making arrangements to that end with this office, without his paper being stopped. We purpose making this a general rule in all cases, where papers are sent by mail, and we trust that none of our subscribers will take any umbrage at being notified as above as it is simply a necessary principle of business under the system which we are adopting and to which we made reference yesterday.