

## LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, AUG. 28.

**Taking Them Back.**—"One-half the local columns of the Chicago Times are occupied in taking back the lies of the previous issues."

All the columns of the "Local Liar" would be necessary to be "occupied in taking back the lies of the previous issues."

**Charged with Horse Stealing.**—This morning a man, named W. Dowdle, was placed in the City jail for safe keeping, who had been arrested by deputy U. S. marshal A. K. Smith, on a charge of horse stealing in Idaho, to which Territory it is intended to remove him as soon as possible.

**A Sudden Scare.**—At the Germania Smelting and Refining Works last Tuesday, while a number of the workmen were in the blacksmith's shop, during the dinner hour, the telegraph wire immediately outside was struck by lightning, making a terrific report and splitting a couple of the poles into pieces. The shop seemed to be totally enveloped in a blaze or flash. One of the men, who was asleep at the time, awoke in a great fright, not knowing what was the matter. The men were of the opinion that the shop and its inmates were saved by the wire, as a quantity of steel and iron was lying loosely around inside.

**Personal.**—This morning we were pleased at receiving a call from two of Omaha's prominent business men, Mr. S. R. Johnson, of the firm of Steele & Johnson, the largest wholesale grocery house in Omaha, and Mr. C. C. Hou-el, of Housel & Co., commission merchants and purchasing agents. They have just reached here from a tour through Montana, on business and pleasure bent, and are much delighted with the general appearance of Salt Lake City. They state that if the people in the west could realize the extent of the business stagnation in the eastern States they would be likely to think that matters were comparatively lively hereabout. The gentlemen were accompanied in their visit to our office by Mr. J. A. Liddell.

**A Bad Accident.**—Night before last a young woman, eldest daughter of Brother Richard Bramley, of the Fifth Ward, met with a serious accident. She entered a room and struck a match, the light caught a quantity of loose powder, which lay on a shelf, causing an explosion. The occurrence happening in the dark and being totally unexpected her fright can be better imagined than described. She rushed out of the house with her hair and dress on fire; the flames, however, were soon extinguished, but the poor girl's face and hands were very severely scorched. It was at first thought that she might lose her sight through the accident, but it is now considered that her eyes will not be permanently injured.

The powder was placed where it was by a brother of the girl, an act of carelessness almost inexcusable.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY, AUG. 29.

**Harvest.**—In Sanpete harvesting has commenced and the farmers are tremendously busy.

**Improvement.**—Green shutter blinds are being hung on the south and west windows of the City Hall.

**Taken North.**—W. Dowdle, the alleged horse thief, started for Idaho this afternoon, in custody of a U. S. deputy marshal.

**Hot.**—Think of the mercury bordering on the nineties again. Well, the days get shorter and the nights get longer visibly.

**Itinerant.**—A string band, composed of three diminutive juveniles, one of whom manipulates a harp, has been visiting and performing in the liquor saloons on the street to-day.

**An Ovation.**—General H. A. Morrow and the officers of the 13th Infantry were the recipients of an ovation at the Walker House last evening. They expect to leave Camp Douglas to-morrow for their newly appointed quarters.

**Was it a Shock?**—A few persons say they felt what they imagined to be a slight shock of earthquake last night. If there was anything of that kind, it must have been very slight indeed, as not many persons experienced or knew anything about it.

**White Raisin Grape.**—This morning Mr. Mark Lindsey placed before us a few bunches of what he says is the California white raisin grape, raised without water, in his gardens. They are luscious, fine flavored, and of fair size. We should think them an excellent grape to raise on our bench lands.

**Gone East.**—This morning Elder William C. Staines, Church emigration agent, accompanied by Feramor Young, son of President Brigham Young, left for New York, for the purpose of attending to business connected with the remainder of the season's emigration. After spending a short time in New York with Brother Staines, President Young's son Feramor, who is naval cadet from Utah, will proceed to the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis.

**Bare-faced Robbery.**—On Thursday a couple of men, supposed to be horse thieves, stopped with a band of horses close to a house occupied by Mrs. Brisco, near Faust's race track. They entered the house and while one of them held Mrs. Brisco the other went through the house and stole a quantity of bedding and other articles, after which they made off. The name of one of the parties is said to be Lish, but the name of the other, who is a tall, dark complexioned man, is not known. A warrant has been issued for their arrest by Justice Crismon.

**Not Robbed.**—Now it turns out that Mr. Frank Hirth, of the First Ward, who imagined he was robbed the other night, was not robbed at all. It was all a mistake. He had mislaid or dropped the pocket book, containing his money and papers, and, after a diligent search, it was found last night, in his own house. This is another among many instances which go to show how careful people should be against arriving at too hasty conclusions in matters of this kind. Mr. Hirth feels to regret exceedingly that he should have suspected and even accused any parties of having robbed him, although in doing so he was laboring under some excitement about his supposed loss. Among other papers the pocket book contained a promissory note for one thousand dollars.

**Hay-stack Burned at Nephi.**—Silas L. Jackson writes from Nephi, 25th—

"There was a hay-stack burned here on the 23rd, belonging to Charles Price. The stack contained twenty-four loads. It was first discovered by several young ladies, who did all in their power, by pulling down the fence, to prevent the fire from spreading. Miss Georgia Parks sprained her wrist in lifting a pole from the fence. By that time plenty of help came, and prevented the fire from doing any more damage. Luckily the wind was the right way, or it might have done a great deal more damage.

"Harvesting is nearly all done here, but the weather is stormy, which makes it bad under foot.

"The general health of the people is good. We have had a few cases of scarlet fever, but it is all gone now."

**Broke His Ribs.**—About two weeks ago Sheriff John Burt, of Box Elder County, was accidentally thrown to the ground, from a wagon, at Brigham City, rendering him for some time insensible. His back was very badly bruised, and his whole system sustained a very severe shock, but it was not considered at the time that any bones were broken. The other day he went upon his farm and attempted to do a little work. In the evening he was taken with a very acute pain in his side, and, in his distress, involuntarily pressed one hand over the place where it appeared to be located when snap went one of his ribs with a report that could be heard all over the house. It was then discovered for the first time, that some of his ribs had been broken. It is probable that the one that was thus sprung by the pressure of the hand had commenced to knit out of position, and that the report was caused by its springing into its legitimate place.

**Buffet's French Method,** published by Wilson, Lunke & Co., Cincinnati. This is an excellent introductory class book for all who desire to acquire a knowledge of how to read and write the French language. It is in two parts, each part containing twenty five progressive lessons, in which most of the principal difficulties and many

of the idioms of the language are explained in manner and language so simple and clear that persons, young or old, possessing ordinary intelligence and perseverance, may soon enable themselves to read this beautiful language with facility, and become tolerably proficient French scholars.

Part 1 is devoted to pronunciation, and to that portion of grammar which, in ordinary English grammars, is placed under the head of etymology. Part 2 contains a brief exposition of French syntax and of the more difficult idiomatic phrases of the language.

The lessons are interspersed with conversational phrases, anecdotes, extracts for reading, etc., the whole forming a work which we think will induct students into a sound and practical knowledge of French with the expenditure of less time and labor than any book of the kind that has come under our notice.

It can be obtained at Dwyer's book store, East Temple St.

**Overruled.**—Yesterday after the counsel on each side of the Tooele election case concluded their arguments on the motion for a stay of proceedings on the writ of peremptory mandamus, issued by Judge McKean, against Treasurer Atkin, the Court overruled the motion.

The issuance of the peremptory mandamus and the overruling of the motion for a stay of the execution of the order pending an appeal to the Supreme Court takes away the discretionary power of the Treasurer, Judge McKean shows that he holds the opinion that he has no objection to the officers of the people being intrusted with discretionary powers, nor to the exercise of that judgment or discretion, providing always that such discretion shall be exercised only in conformity with his notion. Thus Treasurer Atkin is compelled, although vested by the people with discretionary power in the premises, to approve and file a bond that he can not conscientiously approve, being convinced of its insufficiency.

During the argument in this case it was clearly shown by Judge Sutherland that the Courts could only issue a peremptory mandate to compel the defendant to move, or in other words to approve or disapprove the bonds according to his judgment, but not to simply approve, or to simply disapprove. If such were not the case, why were not the Courts, instead of the Treasurer, vested with the discretionary power in question? For in this instance the discretion is taken out of the hands of the Treasurer and usurped by the Court, leaving the Treasurer minus any power to exercise judgment whatever.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY, AUG. 31.

**Tabernacle Meeting.**—Elder Albert Carrington preached yesterday afternoon.

**At His Office.**—Brother Paul A. Schettler visited his office, at the City Hall, to-day. His health keeps improving daily.

**Silver City, Idaho.**—A grand banquet and ball was to be held at the above named place to-night, to commemorate the extension thereto of the Nevada and Northern Telegraph Co's line.

**Gone to England.**—Mr. and Mrs. Marks, of the 14th Ward, left this morning for England, for the purpose of paying a visit to their relatives and acquaintances in that country. They expect to return in the Spring.

**Petty Theft.**—On Saturday evening one Charles Kelly entered the store of A. Fratzen and stole \$5 from the till, \$2 of which was recovered. For this he was sentenced to operate with pick and shovel twenty-five days.

**Stealing Tools.**—To-day Charles Kelly, the same who stole money from Mr. Fratzen's store, on Saturday, was tried in the police court to-day for stealing \$50 worth of carpenter tools, was found guilty and fined \$100, which he will work out at a dollar a day.

**A Bad Wound.**—On Saturday a little daughter of Mr. Daniel Grenig was struck on the forehead with a rock, which inflicted an ugly wound, making an indentation in the skull. The rock was thrown by a boy named R. Donovan, who was arrested. The case was set to be tried this afternoon.

**Fine Crops.**—From Mr. James A. Thompson, who has been rusticat-

ing in Ogden Valley, we learn that crops of every kind thereabout are splendid, both in quantity and quality, with the exception of wheat, which has sustained some damage from rust, caused by the frequent heavy rains.

**Tricky.**—One Myers, a discharged soldier, is under arrest on a charge of disposing of an order on the Camp Douglas quartermaster or treasurer, for a consideration, to George Bond, of Commercial Street, the paper alluded to being valueless, which the purchaser soon discovered when he presented it to be cashed.

**Medical Profession.**—It will be observed by advertisement, in another part of the NEWS, that the Board of Examining Physicians, of this City, will hold a meeting one week from this evening, at 7 o'clock, for the purpose of examining, as to qualifications, all desiring to obtain license to practice medicine or surgery.

**That Pump.**—In alluding, the other day, to the hand pump invented by Mr. W. Higgs, brother of Thos. Higgs of this City, we did not give it credit for all it could do, a subsequent test proving that it is capable of throwing a stream easily a distance of fifty-five feet, and water through the spray nozzle forty three feet, which is rather extraordinary for so small an engine.

**More Pipe-Laying.**—The Gas Company are laying mains along Second South Street. That fence, of peculiar construction, is the best safe-guard that could be placed around the open trench for the prevention of accidents. We believe the Gas Company of this City are the first to put it to this use, the most that is generally used being a rope. This fence can be put up with astonishing rapidity, being movable, and would be just the thing for temporarily located sheep pens in this country.

**Fatal Accident.**—On Saturday evening, while Brother John McDonald, Sen., was assisting to stack a load of hay at his residence in the 13th Ward, he slipped from the hay stack, fell upon a coal-shed, striking upon his back, and then fell to the ground. The injuries he sustained were so severe as to cause his death at 4 o'clock this morning.

Brother McDonald was, as will be seen by obituary notice in another column, seventy-seven years of age. He was a good citizen and much respected.

**Large Meetings.**—Two very large meetings were held on Saturday and Sunday, at American Fork, in a bowery. The number present is estimated at something over four thousand people. President Brigham Young and George A. Smith, Elder Wilford Woodruff and Bishop E. D. Woolley were present and preached to the congregation. The speakers were blessed with great freedom and power, and the people paid the most wrapped attention to their remarks. Besides the American Fork people, many were present from adjacent settlements.

**Missed From His Home.**—The following was handed in this morning, with a request to publish—

"Missed from his home since last Wednesday evening, Fred Senior, commonly known among the boy's by the name of Fred Sugden. Any information respecting him will be thankfully received by William Sugden, opposite Brother Loyd's 15th Ward, or by Edward Senior, barber saloon opposite the Railroad Depot."

The party who sent in the foregoing should have said something about the lad's age and appearance.

**A Collision.**—About seven o'clock this morning the delivery wagon of Mr. Stevens, butcher, collided with an ox-team and wagon, on East Temple Street. Mr. Stevens' team ran away and when it collided the other was going at a rapid rate. The crash, when they came together, was tremendous. The tongue of the ox-wagon snapped in two as if it had been a match, the oxen were thrown to the ground and the team of Mr. Stevens shared the same fate. The boy received some cuts and bruises, besides being fearfully scared, and the horses were cut about the legs. The stoic old oxen did not seem to be much the worse for the bumping they got, but, being tough, they seemed to treat the matter with mild indifference.

**Levan.**—H. W. Hartley writes from Levan, Aug. 27—

"The health of the people of this settlement is wonderfully good at present, and has been all summer, there having been but two deaths. The United Order has been considerable of a success so far, and is being vigorously advocated by our energetic Bishop. We have in successful operation, a farming company, a logging or lumber company, a small shoe-making company, a brick company and a salt company to manufacture salt at our salt works. The two last named companies having turned out a very superior article. Elders Geo. Q. Cannon and A. M. Musser preached to a good and well-attended household last night, giving some very satisfactory remarks and explanations on the United Order."

**Letters Patent.**—Messrs. William J. Silver, of this City, and George Attwood, of the Emma mine, have received from Great Britain letters patent for their "improvement in pumps," invented by the first named gentleman.

The document is quite formidable, being sheepskin parchment, and 30 inches by 21 inches. The great seal is not one of those that can be stuck upon the document, but has to be attached by means of a cord, being in the form of a huge medallion, 6½ inches in diameter by three quarters of an inch thick, and made of some kind of composition, principally wax.

One of the pumps on the improved principle has just been completed and will soon be in operation at the Emma mine. It has a 16 inch cylinder, a 10 inch plunger and a 24 inch stroke. It is 60 horsepower and is the largest piece of machinery, of the kind, ever built in the Territory.

We congratulate the patentees on their success in getting letters from the British Patent office. The term of the patent is fourteen years.

**A Set to.**—Shortly after nine o'clock this morning considerable excitement was caused on East Temple Street by a fracas between a boy about sixteen years of age named Gallacher, and a full grown, lightly-colored man named Picket. The boy accidentally trod on Picket's toes, when the latter grasped the boy by the throat, holding him thus till he was black in the face. When he let go the boy went off and got into a delivery wagon, of which he is the driver. A few moments afterwards he was passing up the street, when Picket darted from the sidewalk and threw a rock at the lad, which missed him, however, and struck the dashboard. Not content with this, Picket jumped into the wagon, seized the boy by the throat and commenced choking him again, the lad, in the meantime, striking out at Picket in self-defense. A bystander jumped into the wagon and released the boy, and another seized Picket and dragged him out. Picket was subsequently arrested, and the foregoing facts being elucidated at the trial, Justice Pyper fined him \$20.

**The Lost Child.**—The chief of police of this City has received a postal card, with likeness of Charles Brewster Ross, the Philadelphia boy, who was stolen from his parents on the first of July. The fate of the little fellow is enveloped in mystery, and the papers all over the country have commented on the extraordinary circumstance of his abduction. He was stolen from Germantown, Pennsylvania, by two men who were in a buggy at the time.

The likeness indicates that he is beautiful, bright and intelligent. Twenty thousand dollars is the reward announced on the postal card as being offered for his recovery. Here is his description, when stolen—

"Light flaxen hair, worn curled, brown or hazel eyes, clear light skin, round full face, dimples on cheeks and chin, fresh color; small fat hands and feet, well formed body, carriage erect, no marks except those made by vaccination on the arm. He is bashful with strangers and has a habit of putting his arm before his eyes when in their presence."

He was four years old last May.

**Utah Western Railway.**—Mr. H. P. Kimball, treasurer and superintendent of construction of the U. W. Railway Co., returned from the east on Saturday night, where he has been with Mr. John W. Young, president of the same company.

Mr. Kimball went east as agent of the Salt Lake, Sevier Valley and Pioche R. R. Co., to settle up with the creditors thereof and to assist