

—he supposed she had given him up, and therefore made some other arrangement with certain parties at St. George.

Q.—Were these parties Emily and Julia Spencer?

A.—I don't know, they were entire strangers to me. These parties as I am informed were two young women, and the arrangement was to receive them as his wives; and they came up here from St. George, having, as represented, some claim upon him and Miss Owens also seems to have had a claim upon him. I should have said that after entering into arrangements with these two young ladies, he went back to England, where he renewed his acquaintance with Miss Owen; and she accompanied him back to Utah, and those three ladies were represented to me as having a claim on the defendant. The result of our interview was, that I told them that, under the circumstances, complicated as they were, I thought it better that they have nothing to do with each other, and that they free themselves from any obligation they were under to each other; and that, as far as the Church was concerned, they were at liberty to take their own course, and that I would assume no responsibility in regard to the matter.

Here the prosecution intimated that President Taylor had omitted the particular inquiry and a very important one in this case. The original question was then read, when witness said, he related to the parties in the course of the interview an order that existed in the Church to which he belonged, namely that in case a number of persons presented themselves at one time for baptism, it was proper that the ordinance should be administered to the oldest first, and so on down to the youngest; or that when a family presented itself for the same object, the father first, the mother next and then the oldest child, and so on down to the youngest, and that this order held good when applied to matrimony, other things being equal.

Q.—Which of the ladies did you understand at the time was the older of the two?

Objected to by opposing counsel, as being immaterial. Objection overruled.

A.—I really don't know, but I think it was not Miss Owen, and the other I don't know anything about.

Q.—Was it not a matter of grievance to Miss Owens that she was the younger?

A.—I think it was. In this conversation I did not give them any counsel in relation to matrimony; but stated that if any relationship of that kind should be entered into, it should be done on the principle of seniority.

Q.—If there were any grievance, was it not principally on the part of Miss Owen?

A.—I think that others were aggrieved as well as she. This matter of priority I related to the gentlemen present; I do not know that Miss Owen was dissatisfied when she went away—she could not be because all were released so far as the Church was concerned, to do as they pleased. I don't know whether the parties released each other, neither do I know whether they acted in accordance with any prior engagement.

Cross-examined.

Q.—When these parties left you, did you not advise them that they had better forego all claims upon each other; and that if they made other engagements they should be made anew and according to their own choice?

A.—This is in substance the remarks as before stated.

Q.—And that if there were any further arrangements they would have to be made among themselves?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Where they satisfied?

A.—I think they acquiesced, I heard nothing expressed to the contrary.

BE ON YOUR GUARD.

WE understand that a petition is being quietly circulated in this city, with the object of obtaining as many signatures as possible from "Mormons" as well as non-"Mormons." It is an anti-polygamy petition, and has in view hostile special legislation and general action against the majority of the people of Utah.

We refer to this matter simply to warn the ladies against being deceived. On general principles we say to all, never sign anything which you have not read for yourselves. It is not sufficient that another reads it, or pretends to read it, aloud. Take care that you are not entrapped into signing something which you would much rather commit to the flames. Be sure that you are not persuaded to put your name to anything which is designed to injure you and those who are your best friends on earth.

We offer this caution advisedly. Some time ago two petitions were offered for signature in this Territory. One was for the repeal of the anti-polygamy statute and was local. The other was in relation to woman's representation at the Centennial, and was general, being circulated throughout the country. The first had been sent away before the second was drawn up. But it was charged that non-"Mormon" ladies had been induced to sign the pro-polygamy petition, under the misrepresentation that it was the Centennial petition. There was not a word of truth in the accusation, as was fully proven at the time. But those who could manufacture such an infamous charge are fully capable of doing what they suspected or pretended to suspect in others. Therefore we caution the ladies, and particularly the Latter-day Saints, against any deception of this character that might be palmed upon them.

That our enemies are utterly unprincipled, bitter as gall and demoniac in their desires for our injury, has been amply demonstrated by their past actions. Let no one who does not wish to aid them in their attempts to bring trouble upon the masses of the people in this Territory, put name to paper for them, or in any way become a tool to be used by the devil or any of his subordinates. Be on your guard!

Local and Other Matters

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, Nov. 1.

Artistic.—The wood-work of the City Hall is being repaired, painted, and varnished. The improvement was needed.

Re-organization.—The Y. M. M. I. A. of the Ninth Ward was re-organized on Tuesday evening, the 29th ult., with John Brown, President; John Taylor, Jr., First, and John Reese, Second Counselor; Jas. A. Woods, Secretary; Wm. Taylor, Assistant Secretary; Levi Phillips, Treasurer; Taylor, Woolley, John Oblade, John E. Evans, and Levi Phillips, Committee, presided over by the president and council.

Mortuary.—Sextons report for October. Males, 22; females, 28. Of these, adults, 17; children, 33. Causes of death as reported.—Diphtheria, 15; lung diseases, 8; diarrhoea causes, 6; scarlet fever, 4; typhoid fever, 2; marasmus, 2; brain disease, 2; old age, 2, membranous croup, 2; brights disease of kidneys, 2; puerperal fever, 1; pyemia, 1; heart disease, 1; found drowned, 1; abscess, 1; total deaths, 50.

JOSEPH E. TAYLOR, Sexton.

Accidents.—From a correspondent in Logan we learn that in that place, on Wednesday last, Heber Morrell, while working at the United Order shingle machine, had his right hand caught in the saw. The thumb and forefinger were severed, and his hand otherwise lacerated. The fractured and crushed bones were removed, the flesh dressed and the patient is doing well.

On the same day, at Newton, Frederick George Barker, aged nine years, a son of John Henry Barker, had the middle finger of his right hand cut off by an axe. The boy was taken to the office of Dr. J. B. Groesbeck in Logan, and his wound dressed. He is now progressing finely.

Persecution.—In our report of the Box Elder Stake Conference is a brief account of the experience, at the hands of the officers of justice (?), of Brother J. F. Merrill, one of the parties arrested near Malad City, a few weeks ago, for cutting timber on the public lands. In it, he states that he was arrested, tried, fined over \$13,000, and thrown into jail at Malad City. While lingering in the dungeon, the order for his release and the remittance of his fine came from Washington; but the officers, in-

stead of setting him at liberty, took him to Corinne, under pretense of going to Boise City to place him in the penitentiary, and he was left standing in the streets of Corinne, cold and hungry.

But he is a "Mormon," and, of course, has no right to complain.

Third District Court.—Proceedings in the District Court yesterday, Chief Justice Schaeffer, presiding:

N. Groesbeck vs. I. Trumbo; jury trial waived; judgment for plaintiff as prayed; defendant excepts.

R. C. Thurman vs. J. T. Bradley; judgment for plaintiff by consent; clerk to compute; 10 days' stay of proceedings allowed.

Dr. O. D. Case vs. N. C. Boatman; continued by consent for the term.

Andrew Stathandisk vs. George W. Blodgett; case remitted to justices' court for further proceedings therein.

E. W. Thomson vs. J. C. Little; case in progress.

Court adjourned till this morning at 9.30 o'clock.

This morning, in the case of C. W. Hiedel vs. Argonaut Mining Company, on motion of respondent, appeal dismissed.

Sarah Moritz, etc., vs. T. W. Jennings; trial by jury in progress.

Improvement of Stock.—During the past few years, very rapid strides have been made in this section of country, in the direction of improving stock. At the late Territorial Fair held in this city, there was such a remarkable exhibit of fine animals that even experienced stock raisers were thoroughly astonished. Greater interest is usually taken in breeding good horses than horned stock; but at the fair, the showing was equally good of both. In consequence of the very high prices of imported or pedigreed stock in the past, it has been next to impossible for the majority of men to have any other than ordinary animals. But as the number of blooded animals in this country increases, and the advantages of their possession become better known, of course the difficulty and expense of obtaining and breeding good colts and calves are greatly lessened, and the desire to own and profit by them is correspondingly increased. The number of imported and native animals of good blood and breed now in this Territory, speaks very well for our future prospects in this respect. Steadily and surely, stock of good style and qualities are advancing in public use and favor, while worthless animals are being retired.

Vulgarity.—The index to a person's mind is found in the language to which his lips give utterance. There are many who flatter themselves that this is not so, but they are generally those who dread its acceptance as a truth for the reason that if accounted valid it would number them among the transgressors. But it is amply sustained by reason as well as revelation. The Scriptures declare that from the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh, and they, as well as common sense, also declare the impossibility for an impure fountain to send forth pure waters. The decisions of the scriptures appeal to reason, and reason confirms their decision. Those who use vulgar language are vulgar minded, to the extent that they are addicted to the habit, for common sense will have it so. It makes no difference who the person is, or what his place in society, he cannot be exempt from this law. If his position be high and his gifts excellent, so much more is he responsible for his words and actions. Let those who count themselves of clean hands and pure hearts reflect, and by the utterances of their lips prove their title to the honorable and virtuous distinction, or all the declarations and professions that can be put forward will be accounted as sounding brass and tinkling symbols, "signifying nothing."

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY, Nov. 2.

Thanks.—The drinking trough at the southeast corner of the Temple Block has been repaired, and is now in operation.

Beaver Chronicle.—No. 12 of this paper comes promptly to hand, much improved in general appearance and more interesting in contents. We wish it success.

Crowded.—The streets are crowded to-day with visitors from the

country. Business is lively, and merchants feel correspondingly elated.

District Court.—Proceedings in the District Court to-day, Chief Justice Schaeffer presiding:

Chas. Richens et al. vs. Enos A. Wall et al.; judgment for plaintiff as prayed.

G. Billing vs. Sanpete C. M. and C. Co.; judgment by agreement for plaintiff for \$878.64.

Sarah Moritz et al. vs. T. W. Jennings; trial by jury in progress.

John A. Hanson was admitted to citizenship.

Kicked by a Horse.—From the Junction we learn of a serious mishap that befel Mr. Joseph W. W. Hall, yesterday morning. He had led his horse to water, and while it was drinking, Mr. Hall's hat blew off and frightened the animal. It was pacified, however, and Mr. Hall was returning, when the horse again became frightened, and plunging forward dragged him to the ground and kicked him on the chin and the right side of the face, inflicting some very severe injuries. Dr. Jno. Driver dressed the wounds, and the patient is doing as well as could be expected.

How D'ye Do and Good Bye.—The last number of the Ogden Junction contains the valedictory of Mr. Richard Ballantyne, the retiring editor, and the salutatory of the Junction Printing Association, which will hereafter direct the affairs of that lively little journal. By the 1st of December, the paper will be enlarged and appear in an entire new dress, and instead of an evening will become a morning issue. The Junction is a worthy paper, and deserves the hearty support of the north and elsewhere. We reiterate our oft-spoken wishes for its future success.

Reached the Summit.—"Captain Rogers and party returned from Baldy Last evening, having accomplished the ascent. The altitude of the peak, hereafter to be known among scientists as the Beaver Peak, is 12,120 feet above the sea, or 6,100 feet above this valley. There were five who accomplished the ascent, viz.: Captain Rogers, John Muir, the world wide naturalist, Frank Olmstead, Mr. Puffer, the guide, and one of the men. Though the day was favorable, the cold wind at this height was severe. This is the first party who have ever reached the top."—Beaver Chronicle. We could overlook "the world wide naturalist," since no allusion is made to his height, but as to the party being the first to reach the top, we feel morally certain that "Walker's Vinegar Bitters" is up there somewhere.

Reckless.—The recklessness of some people is astonishing. A few days since, as the southern train was coming into this city, and when it was within a few yards of a crossing, two young men, standing a short distance from the track, bantered each other for a race. The condition was that they were to cross the street at a certain point, immediately in front of the flying train. They started, and succeeded in reaching their goal in safety, but they had a narrow escape. The pilot of the engine seemed almost to graze their bodies as they passed. Had they been an instant later, or had their feet caught on the track in any way, their lives would have paid the penalty for their folly; and in such a case they alone could have been blamed.

Railroad trains can neither stop nor turn out for men or teams; and people who trust so implicitly in their own fleetness or agility, may some time come to grief.

The Force of Habit.—It is a noticeable fact that children generally answer in the affirmative any question which they do not hear or understand. This is often a source of amusing incidents. We give an illustration: At a Sunday school jubilee, recently, a visitor was asked to address the children, and did so, taking for his text, cruelty to animals. During his remarks, he asked, "Now, children, do you ever throw stones at the little birds and break their legs?" "No, sir," was the prompt and unanimous reply. "I'm very glad to hear that," said the speaker. The school became very noisy at this juncture. "Now, if Brother— and I were to sing you a song, would you throw rocks at us and break our legs?" "Yes, sir," yelled the ambitious juveniles, comprehending not the true nature of the

query, until the look of horror on the speaker's face, told them that they had not answered wisely nor too well.

Runaway and Accident.—Last evening, one of the teams of Messrs. Mason & Sells, lumber merchants, had a runaway, which resulted in a serious accident to Mr. Hugh Ferguson, the driver. He was on his way home from the planing mill of Latimer & Taylor, when one of the horses he was driving, becoming restive and playful, stepped one foot over the tongue. Immediately becoming frightened and unmanageable, the team dashed down the street a block west of the mill and turned south, but when about half way down this street they ran into a hitching post and were instantly brought to a standstill. The sudden interruption of the flight threw the driver from his seat, and alighting on one of the wheels in his descent, he received an ugly deep gash on the head. Dr. White, passing near by, was summoned to attend the injured man, who had been conveyed into a neighboring restaurant. Mr. Ferguson was unconscious and restless all night, but this morning got to sleep for the first time since the accident. His condition is accounted critical.

Priesthood Meeting.—The Priesthood meeting of the Salt Lake Stake was held, as per adjournment, in the Fourteenth Ward Assembly Rooms this morning, commencing at 10 o'clock.

After the usual opening exercises, the statistical report of the Stake, for the month ending Sept. 30th, 1878, was read, after which the roll was called. There were present: Angus M. Cannon and Joseph E. Taylor, of the Presidency of the Stake, Bishop Edward Hunter, and all the Wards of the Stake were represented by some of the presiding authorities, excepting the 17th of this city and the Brighton Ward of the country.

Elder George Goddard read a list of the Wards, with the amounts stated opposite, showing the deficiency on the part of some in responding to the apportionment made for the purpose of completing the roof of the Stake Tabernacle.

Remarks were made on the desirability of completing the Tabernacle at as early a date as possible, and especially of completing the roof this fall, that labor donations may be utilized during the winter; the necessity of giving the young a proper education and of affording all an opportunity of gaining one; the duty of men in prominent positions using a firm influence against evil; the importance of the members of the Lesser Priesthood being alive to their duties; the danger of departing from the revealed ordinances of the Gospel; and the necessity for diligence and care in the observance of every duty and requirement of the Gospel. The speakers were Presidents Joseph E. Taylor and Angus M. Cannon, and Bishop Edward Hunter.

Adjourned, to meet at the same place December 7th, 1878, at 11 a.m.

Beware of Counterfeits!!!

During the past few months certain parties have been selling, throughout our city and territory, bogus and spurious machines for the genuine Singer Machine, representing themselves as agents for the Singer Co. Almost daily parties are coming to us who have been thus swindled, and want us to exchange their machine for the genuine.

We believe it our duty therefore to warn the people against the bogus and spurious machines now in the market, being sold as the "Improved Singer."

The Singer Manufacturing Co. will not hold themselves responsible for these machines.

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There is something nice about the balance of trade. A worthy farmer, who comes into town with new wheat almost every day, goes home loaded with old rye.

In the brightest lexicon of American youth, there is no such word as fail. A man merely becomes embarrassed and compromises with his creditors for thirty cents.