

fully personal. No wonder that its chief has died by violence. But the *Chronicle's* personalities are milk and water compared with the infamous libels which the people of Utah have endured, from a few shameless scoundrels who have outraged religion, society and common decency, without retaliation from those whom they have abused with impunity. It is only regard for law and good order on the part of the majority of the people here, which has prevented the dealing out of justice to the blasphemous and dirty-minded brutes who have out-chronicled the *Chronicle* and lied like the Devil, unchastised and without molestation. But there will come a time when all will receive their just deserts, and we would far rather take the chances of DeYoung who has partly expiated his crimes by a violent death, than those of the wretches who without conscience and without any just provocation, revile good men, attack the character of virtuous women, heap opprobrious epithets on innocent children, and slander a whole community for the basest and most sordid of motives. One who is mightier than us all will deal out their measure for measure.

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, APRIL 23.

Ogden's Inducements.—The Asylum Commissioners were well treated in Ogden. Not only was the hospitality of the city tendered the party, but not less than six tracts of land, in areas ranging from ten to forty acres, were offered from which to select a site for the asylum building, the land to be donated for the purpose. If the law did not particularly state that the directors are not to be influenced by offers of land or money, in the choice of a site, Ogden would certainly have reason to feel encouraged at her prospects for obtaining the asylum. Maybe she'll get it, anyhow. In the meantime, is Salt Lake going to do nothing toward securing the prize?

"Junction" Jots.—Last evening's issue of the above paper says:

Last evening the Utah & Northern train took out two extra cars, which contained a company, mostly young men, who have lately arrived from Missouri and States surrounding. The company are en route for Montana, intending, if that country suits them, to take up farms there and settle permanently.

It has been reported that a snow-slide had occurred at Cisco, Nev., on the line of the C. P. R. R., striking a passenger train, and killing three or four of the train hands. The train reported to have met with the disaster is that on which the Boston excursionists took their departure for the west, but as the telegraph lines are down between here and that point, it is impossible to state whether there is any truth in the report.

Sister Thomas Dead.—It is with deep regret that we chronicle the death of Sister Elizabeth F. Thomas, the estimable wife of Brother Charles J. Thomas, and a lady well known and highly respected in this community, for her kind heart and many excellent qualities. She has been prostrate for about seven weeks from an affection of the liver, and died last night about 23 minutes after 11 o'clock. The funeral will be held on Sunday, at 10 a.m. She died as she had lived, a faithful Latter-day Saint, and though her loss will be mourned deeply, her friends will realize that she has gone to a better world, to receive the reward of her worth and integrity. We condole with the bereaved family.

A Packed House.—A correspondent at Kamas, Summit County, under date of the 17th instant, describes a birthday surprise party that was recently given to Sister Ruth M. Pack, wife of Brother John Pack, one of the pioneers of Salt Lake Valley. In the language of our informant, "The house was packed with a pack of Packs, and others," and the recipient of the honor, whose age is now 57 years, was completely and happily surprised. She was presented with numerous gifts by her friends, and a feast of fun and more substantial enjoyments was partaken of during the evening. Speeches, toasts, sentiments, and music by the Kamas choir, appropriately interspersed with other social pleasures, and the party closed with an address by Bishop S. F. Atwood. Our correspondent adds the following, in which we fully concur:

Sister Pack is an industrious and exemplary woman, good and kind to the poor and needy, and always willing to comfort the sick. She passed through many of the trials and troubles in Nauvoo and Winter Quarters with the Saints; drove team from that place across the plains, most of the way, to Salt Lake Valley, besides performing other labors required of those who crossed in that early day. Sister Ruth has raised a respectable family to comfort her in her old age, and many years may she live to enjoy her blessings.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY, APRIL 24.

Beats All.—The "oldest inhabitant" called in to-day, to say that this season beats all he has ever experienced since his arrival here in 1847.

Information Wanted.—Thomas Beswick, of Atherton, Lancashire, would like to know the whereabouts of Joseph Beswick, who emigrated from Bolton to Utah, about 1852-3. Also Catherine Eason, 1 Pottinger Terrace, Roscommon Street, Liverpool, wishes to obtain the address of her brother, Thomas Carran, formerly of Liverpool, now residing in Utah. Also Alfred Wright, Arnold, Nottinghamshire, England, wishes to know the whereabouts of Henry Fisher, who emigrated from Arnold to Utah about 1872.—*Mill-Star.*

Impending Floods.—Persons who know whereof they speak, predict some tremendous floods this spring. In all parts of the Territory where water can do any damage, it is probable that considerable property will be injured, when the warm weather sets in to melt the mountain snow. In times of peace prepare for war, is a good motto. Why not take measures for protection against freshets, while yet the snow lingers among the hills? It's a bad time to think of it when you see your houses caving in and your chicken-coops floating away to the realms of sunset.

"Watchman" Notes.—From the *Beaver Watchman* of the 21st:

Mother Neyman, well known in Beaver County and far advanced in life (being nearly 90), sustained a paralytic stroke last Saturday night, losing the use of one-half of her body. Her recovery is doubtful.

Drs. Jones and Cowdry, on Monday, performed an amputation on the left foot of Mike Monahan, taking off the big toe and a portion of three others. The amputation was rendered necessary by the freezing of his foot, mentioned some time ago. The patient is doing well.

The *Watchman* says of the railroad accident, on the Utah Southern Extension on the 13th, which we have noticed before:

As the freight train was running at a fair speed between Deseret and Black Rock, it suddenly encountered about two feet of sand which had been blown on the track by the heavy gale that was then prevailing. The sudden stoppage caused the telescoping of about six box cars, and destroying property to the amount of \$3,000.

Springdale Items.—Brother S. H. Gifford, of Springdale, Kane County, writes, under date of the 18th inst., concerning matters in that settlement. We glean as follows: The past winter had been the coldest by far our correspondent had ever experienced in Dixie, and from indications would continue yet awhile. On the 13th, a gale from the southwest blew up, the hardest known in those parts, and the next morning developed ice and frozen ground.

From the following description it appears that a similar phenomenon to that described last evening, as having appeared at Orderville on the morning of the 14th, was seen at Springdale at about the same time. We give the writer's own words:

"When the sun appeared above the mountains it was in the centre of a large bright circle, with bright 'sundogs' on the outside of the circle. Another very large circle seemed to go through the centre of the sun and extended horizontally around the sky, rising as the sun rose, until about 11 o'clock, when it disappeared behind the clouds. This large circle was formed with a narrow white belt, not so bright and fiery as the one around the sun and not nearly so wide a belt."

Our correspondent states that it had been storming ever since the appearance of the remarkable sight. The grape-vines in that locality were all winter killed; a great por-

tion of the stone fruit also, and it bids fair for the spring frost to take the rest. Apples promised well, and spring wheat never looked better, other spring crops were late in consequence of the long winter. There was a little sickness in the ward. The settlement of the Rockville ward all met at Rockville to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Church, and had a genuine jubilee.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY, APRIL 26.

Obsequies.—The funeral of Elder Hans Jensen, who died on Saturday of dropsy, was held yesterday, at 2 p.m., in the 10th Ward Meeting-house. Elders Isaac Groo, Ness, Blomberg, and Bishop Adam Spiers were the speakers. The services were well attended.

The Local Opium Trade.—Meek-eyed "John" still continues to indulge in his darling opium. Wells, Fargo's Express delivered \$300 worth of the pernicious stuff to-day. The package shown us was a seven pound box; it cost \$50 and came from San Francisco. A costly luxury, surely.

Diphtheria.—Brother J. B. Nash writes from Franklin on the 22nd inst., that the dreadful scourge diphtheria had again broken out in that place. On the day of writing, the two remaining children (both girls) of Brother O. B. Packer, who recently lost his little boy from diphtheria, were laid in one grave, the victims of the same disease. We condole with the bereaved family in their heavy loss.

Frightful Accident.—On Saturday afternoon, a frightful accident occurred at Sandy. Thomas Allsop was engaged with a crusher at the Mingo Smelter, when his right arm was caught between the rollers and badly smashed. Dr. Benedict amputated the member between the wrist and elbow joint, at the residence of the injured man, soon after the mishap took place. Mr. Allsop was an excellent bookkeeper and scribe, and the loss of his right hand will disable him in his profession, and render his means of support more precarious.

Shooting and Beating.—The peaceable town of Provo, on last Tuesday night, was the scene of a disgraceful affray, in which a man named V. L. Thomas and another known as Dr. McClanahan, were the principal actors. Mr. Norman Taylor, an eyewitness to the affair, states that Thomas went into McClanahan's house with a bottle of alcohol to get the doctor to reduce it. After some time he came out, looking angry, said the "doc." would not give him back the bottle, and asked Taylor to go in after it. The latter declined, but a man named Jones went in to get it. Pretty soon he reappeared with the doctor. The latter had the bottle, and stepping up to Thomas, said, "Here's your bottle." Thomas took it and started off, when McClanahan began calling him hard names. Thomas went back and the doctor struck him. The two clinched and fell. Thomas again rose and started away, but the other followed him, still heaping the vilest epithets upon him. Again they clinched and fell. During the scuffle a pistol was discharged, the ball entering Thomas' leg, and McClanahan was severely beaten about the head.

Thomas' own statement is to the effect that when he went into the doctor's house his wife told him her husband was "not fit to be seen." He found it true, when the doctor appeared, for he was irritable and quarrelsome, refused to reduce the alcohol, and began calling Thomas hard names. The latter says he took no notice of him but walked into the street. The doctor followed and the row took place outside, where McClanahan drew a pistol which Thomas knocked down and it shot him in the leg. He then drew his own pistol and beat the doctor over the head with it. After starting off, McClanahan followed with a knife, when Thomas hit him again with the pistol and quieted him.

McClanahan's version is that he had heard Thomas had threatened his life repeatedly since last summer, and that on Tuesday night when he came in to get the alcohol reduced, he called Mrs. McClanahan bad names and was very abusive. The doctor followed him out and struck him for insulting his wife. Thomas then drew his pistol, which the other knocked down, and the bullet entered Thomas' leg.

The *Enquirer* gives the three versions, which we have reproduced in substance. The stories are rather mixed, but Mr. Taylor's is doubtless the most reliable, so far as it goes, as

he was a disinterested party. Thomas and McClanahan are both under arrest.

Sabbath Services.—The congregation at the Assembly Hall, yesterday afternoon, was addressed by Apostle Chas. C. Rich and Elder Chas. W. Penrose. Following is a synopsis of the remarks:

Elder Rich said the majority of the human family were seeking after the things of this world—the riches of this life; but Christ's injunction was, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God," with the promise that then all other things should be added. The Saints should set their affections upon that which would never perish. The things revealed from God for our guidance were plain and easy to be obtained. The Bible contained many commandments and truths made known from on high. The Book of Mormon also, which had been revealed by an angel in our own day. Everything contained therein was of importance. Indeed, God had revealed nothing but what was of the utmost importance. It could not be trifled with. Many things had been made known in our own times which were new to the world. It would not do to find fault with them. We could not do so without coming under condemnation. We were blessed with great opportunities. None of them should be neglected. God required that we should become one; this applied not only to spiritual things, but also to temporal things. The principles of the gospel were designed to save us from "wrong-doing." There would be no evil in the world if people would abstain from doing evil. From the Book of Mormon we learned that for two hundred years a people on this continent lived together in peace and were one in all things. What they could do we could do on the same principles. Could we expect to obtain the same blessings and exaltation if we neglected to carry out the commandments and counsels of God as if we observed them? Certainly not. God had pointed out that which he wished to be carried out on the earth. It was our business to attend thereto. Blessings were only prepared for the worthy. Our duties not only pertained to the living but also to the dead, for which the temples in various parts of the Territory were being erected. We must see to it that we leave nothing undone that is enjoined upon us.

Elder Chas. W. Penrose was the next speaker. Alluding to the charge so frequently made by the Christian world that "Mormonism" was a delusion, he referred to the doctrine proclaimed from so many Christian pulpits, that belief in Jesus Christ was alone sufficient to save mankind, and that the wickedest person, by simply accepting Jesus as his Savior, could have the righteousness of Christ imputed to his sinful soul. This the speaker considered one of the grossest and most pernicious delusions that was ever promulgated among the human family. He illustrated the subject by picturing a malefactor who had broken all the laws of God and man and, having imbrued his hands in the blood of innocence, was thrust out of this world as unfit to mingle with mankind; and yet through the teachings of some professedly Christian minister, if just before his last moments, he was brought to accept Jesus as his Savior, he was deemed fit to enter the presence and dwell in the society of the immaculate God. Choked to death for his crimes, he was forced from the society of mortals into the company of the sinless Christ and the Holy Ones of eternity. Yet the Scriptures declared that "a murderer hath not eternal life abiding in him", and all men would have to be judged "according to their works."

The speaker took up the subject of the atonement and its effects, showing that by the shedding of Christ's blood redemption was wrought out for all the race of Adam from the original sin, unconditionally and without exceptions; but for actual, personal sins conditionally; that the conditions were given in the gospel. He explained its first principles, their application and effects and the proper administration of its ordinances; showed the absence of authority among the Christian sects, even from their own confessions; explained what constituted authority to administer in the name of the Holy Trinity; quoted numerous texts of Scripture bearing on these subjects, on the general apostasy from the truth, and the spiritual darkness of the Christian as well as the heathen world; testified of the restoration of the gospel and

priesthood in the latter times, and closed with an exhortation to the Saints to personal righteousness and holiness, without which no man could dwell in the presence of God.

The benediction was pronounced by Elder Joseph E. Taylor.

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