

Deseret News Stories

Of More
Than
40 Years
Ago.

Weekly Mail, No. 3, Postoffice Department, Contract Office, Jan. 1, 1860. Sir: The application of the contractors, the postmaster general has consented that you may deliver the mails for route No. 3, St. Joseph, Mo., to Salt Lake City, Utah, weekly, on the express condition, however, that they are to convey them without claiming pay for the additional service, either from the department or Congress.

Very respectfully,
WM. H. DUNDAS,
2nd Asst. P. M. General.

Weekly Mail Again, No. 2.—We have heretofore said but little about the matter, and never wish to accuse our fellow beings wrongfully. The annulling, changing and breaking of contracts are matters between the contractors and the department, but it occurs to us that, if the contractors perform service faithfully, they should be paid for it according to the stipulations of the contract. If they do not, and leave mail matter by the way, where they please, the facts should be made known and legal remedies applied, and if the government cannot afford to pay for the carrying of a weekly mail between the Missouri river and this city, it must be very poor, or extremely parsimonious.

The gracious consent of the postmaster general, extended to the contractors, on their application to have the mail delivered to them weekly by the postmasters at each end of the route, upon the express condition that they are not to claim nor receive pay for the additional service, cannot be considered otherwise than an act of great magnanimity.

A Weekly Mail Again.—By the following communication from the second assistant postmaster general, furnished us by Mr. Morrell, it seems that the mail is to be carried weekly heretofore, between this city and St. Joseph, instead of once in two and occasionally only once in three weeks, as it has been since the last of July last.

That mail, as it has been very satisfactory to the public, and if a change is to be made for the better, the people of course will be glad of it.

Many complaints have been made and reports put in circulation to the effect that there is a larger amount of mail matter cached or stored at different points along the route, and it is very much from the small amount that has been brought through, that there is something out of gear in the arrangements, and that if not left by the way, much of the paper mail for this route never found the way to or from St. Joseph.

The Union Academy, on the east side of Union square, G. S. L. City, will be ready for the admission of scholars on the 9th of April next.

This academy will be under the general supervision of Prof. Orson Pratt, and will commence with Messrs. Orson Pratt, Jr., and James Cobb as teachers, to whose aid other teachers will be added whenever the number of scholars may render it requisite.

No tuition will be charged to those who study algebra, surveying, or other higher branches of mathematics, astronomy, chemistry, mineralogy, geology and modern languages, which, with whatever else may be taught, it is expected will be taught and learned in a thoroughly practical manner, for which

instruments, chemicals, etc., will be furnished.

It is also designed, as rapidly as practicable, to provide, to some extent, tools used in the different mechanical departments, and give the students an opportunity to learn their use, and at the same time develop and preserve their physical energies.

Those who wish to attend the Union academy will please give notice thereof immediately for the scholars to each teacher will be limited to the number he can properly take charge of and instruct.

BRIGHAM YOUNG, SR.
The attention of all interested is solicited to the opening of the Union academy on the 9th of April next, in the large and commodious building situated in the Seventeenth ward, opposite Union square.

The founder of the institution, President Brigham Young, thereby furnishes to the world another proof of his philanthropy and of the good will he has for those over whom he presides and exercises, as alleged, so much control.

If those having a desire to acquire a thorough knowledge of the branches of science to be taught in this much needed institution do not avail themselves of the opportunity thus offered, they should never complain of their inability to obtain a competent knowledge of science, to enable them to teach others successfully.

We have much to say in relation to this subject, but have not time nor room now.

Since the signs of spring have been more favorable, and the mountains have been more easy of access, a considerable amount of wood has been brought into the city, of which we have received a share, but not enough to last all hands all summer.

However we believe there will be no lack, and the prospects of there being a sufficiency of fuel to supply the demand for it, till the cold weather is over, is decidedly better than it was a few weeks ago.

New Postoffices.—The postmaster general has established two new postoffices in this territory, viz., at Fountain Green, in the county of Sanpete, George W. Johnson, postmaster; and at Summit, Iron county, Seth Johnson, postmaster.

The establishment of an office at Summit will be of no benefit to the people in that vicinity until there is a mail carried on that part of route 1280, lying between Fillmore City and Cedar, a distance of about 125 miles.

The Western Mail.—On Thursday last the arrival of the mail from California was announced, but on sending to the postoffice for letters and papers, there were no letters and only one California paper, directed to the "News" and that was a small concern called the Daily Appeal, dated Jan. 21, published at Marysville. There were also two or three eastern papers that had been sent by the isthmus, and been two or three months on the way.

Can the Placerville editor, who was so well posted up in relation to Brady's contract about the time that the mail arrangements between this city and that place became disarranged, and who has occasionally had some things to say about the matter since, inform the public of the cause of the irregularity of the mails from that direction, and why the mail bags are filled with "empty" on their arrival here?

dealing with colonial troops," says T. P. O'Connor, "and recently I heard of an incident during the Boer war in which this quality was severely tested."

"One day in camp, a particularly 'tough proposition' of an Australian, newly sent up from the base, got hold of some liquor and speedily became mad drunk, raving and roaring about the camp. The Australian came upon Gen. Plumer, standing spick and span at the door of his tent, and, uttering some ribald abuse, rushed at the general and struck him a heavy blow on the chest before anyone could interfere."

"I need hardly say that such an offense was punishable by death, but Gen. Plumer merely said to the onlookers who rushed up:

"'Oh, take him away; he's drunk and doesn't know what he is doing.' And that was all the notice the general took of the affair. But the delinquent comrades were not so lenient."—M. A. P.

TRAVELING BY EXPRESS TRAIN.

The express was tearing away at the full and awe-inspiring rate of six miles an hour, when all of a sudden it stopped. The passengers were startled, but one of them happened to be somewhat anxious to reach his destination before old age claimed him for its own. He put his head through the window to find that the cause of the stop was a cow on the track. After awhile they continued the journey for an hour or so, and then—another stop. "What's wrong now?" queried the impatient passenger of the conductor. "A cow on the track."

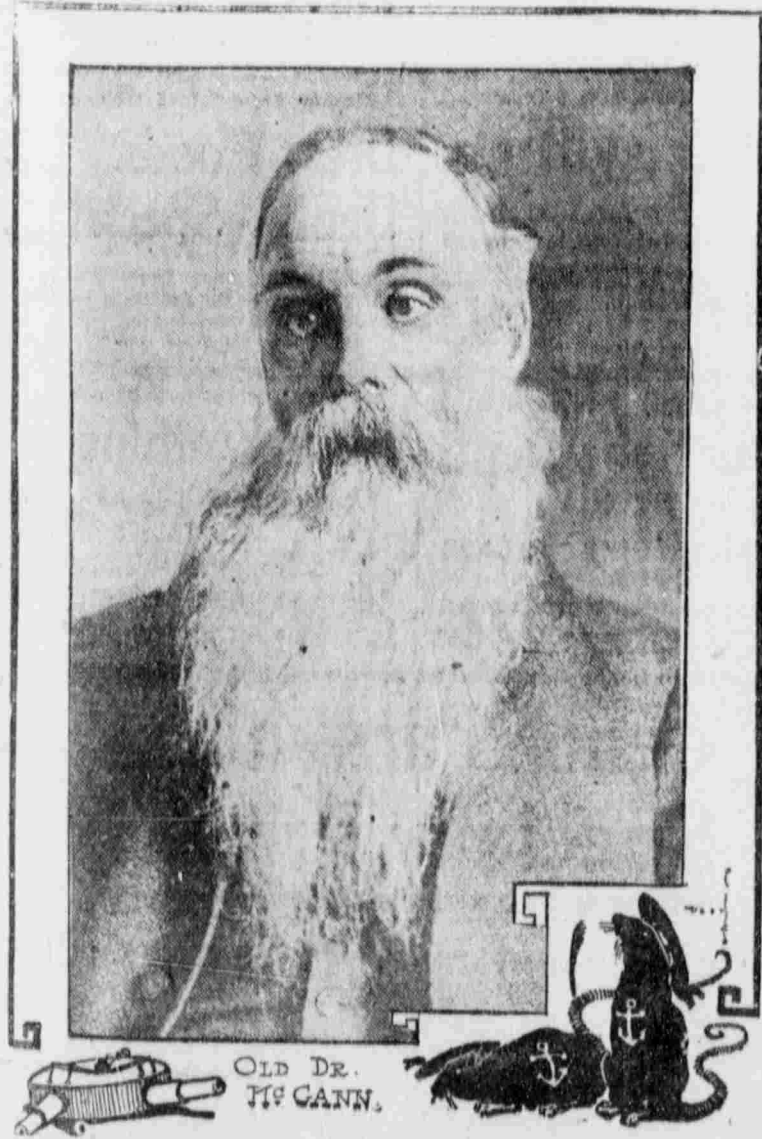
"But I thought you drove it off."

"So we did," said the conductor, "but we've caught up with it again."—Four Track News.

A LENIENT GENERAL.

"Gen. Plumer is noted for his tact in

UNCLE SAM'S RAT KILLER.



Old Dr. McGann is Uncle Sam's rat exterminator. He is called by courtesy "Admiral Rodent." Mr. McGann has just completed the task of ridding the cruiser Minnesota of her rats. He also killed over 2,000,000,000 roaches that had made the ship their winter quarters. The "admiral" has shown himself to be an old time wizard.

Z. C. M. I. Clearing Up Sale in Linen Dept!



SPRING GOODS daily arriving—must have room for them—so will make prices for one week so low that you will be sure to buy if you investigate—and, knowing that nowhere in America can you buy such goods at these low prices, we take special pleasure in inviting you to call and SEE! No trouble to show the goods. We advise you to COME EARLY AND SAVE MONEY!

TABLE DAMASK.

25c Values	25c
at 45c Values	30c
at 50c Values	35c
at 55c Values	50c

LINEN DEPARTMENT.

75c Values	60c
at 85c Values	65c
at 1.00 Values	75c
at 1.25 Values	95c

25% Off

On all Art and Handkerchief Linens

TABLE DAMASK.

25c Values	\$1.70
at 35c Values	\$1.85
at 45c Values	\$2.10
at 55c Values	\$2.25

TABLE NAPKINS!

40c NAPKINS	30c
at 50c NAPKINS	38c
at 65c NAPKINS	50c
at 75c NAPKINS	57c
at 1.00 NAT LINS	75c

TABLE NAPKINS!

1.15 NAPKINS	85c
at 1.25 NAPKINS	95c
at 1.35 NAPKINS	1.02
at 1.40 NAPKINS	1.05
at 1.50 NAPKINS	1.15

TABLE NAPKINS!

1.60 NAPKINS	1.20
at 1.75 NAPKINS	1.35
at 2.00 NAPKINS	1.50
at 2.25 NAPKINS	1.70
at 2.50 NAPKINS	1.90

TABLE NAPKINS!

2.75 NAPKINS	\$2.10
at 3.00 NAPKINS	\$2.25
at 3.50 NAPKINS	\$2.65
at 4.00 NAPKINS	\$3.00
at 4.50 NAPKINS	\$3.40

25 PER CENT OFF on all Daylies, Tray Cloths, Lunch Cloths, Scarfs and Pillow Shams.

1-3 OFF on all white and Fancy Cotton Walings.

BED SPREADS—HONEYCOMB AND MARSEILLES, FRINGED AND HEMMED—BED SPREADS.

1.00 BED SPREADS	80c
at 1.25 BED SPREADS	1.00
at 1.40 BED SPREADS	1.22
at 1.50 BED SPREADS	1.20

ALL COTTON and LINEN CRASH—5 cent quality at 4c; 6 1-4c quality at 5c; absorbant at 7 1-4c. GLOSS CRASH at 7c.

1.75 BED SPREADS	\$1.40
at 2.00 BED SPREADS	\$1.60
at 2.25 BED SPREADS	\$1.80
at 2.50 BED SPREADS	\$2.00

3.00 BED SPREADS	\$2.40
at 3.50 BED SPREADS	\$2.80
at 4.00 BED SPREADS	\$3.20
at 4.50 BED SPREADS	\$4.00

BROWN LINEN. 6c, 8c, 10c and 14c. BLEACHED LINEN. 9 1-4c, 10c, 15c.

STAPLE DEPARTMENT.

BLEACH MUSLIN. 11c quality, 8c; 10c quality, 7c; 7c quality, 5c.	
UNBLEACHED MUSLIN. 11c quality, 8c; 10c quality, 7c; 7c quality, 5c.	
BLEACH SHEETING. 8-4 at 25c; 9-4 at 25 1-4c; 10-4 at 25 1-4c.	
UNBLEACHED SHEETING. 8-4 at 17 1-4c; 9-4 at 30; 10-4 at 25 1-4c.	
PILLOW MUSLIN. 42 inch at 11c; 46 inch at 12c.	
FLANNELETTE. 12 1-2 inch kind at 10c; 15c kind at 12 1-2c; 20c kind at 15c; 25c kind at 20c.	

LINEN TOWELS

Regular Price 25c.	15c
Sale Price	20c
Regular price 35c.	25c
Sale Price	30c

LINEN TOWELS.

Regular Price 60c.	35c
Sale Price	45c
Regular Price 75c.	60c
Sale Price	75c
Regular Price 1.00.	90c
Sale Price	

COME EARLY! JOIN THE RANKS OF SAVING CITIZENS!



ONE WEEK ONLY, COMMENCING MONDAY, JANUARY 23rd

WE MUST MAKE ROOM FOR SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS.

A Great Shoe Bargain Opportunity!

OUR ENTIRE STOCK of Shoes at Reduced Prices for Cash! ALL BROKEN LINES must go, REGARDLESS OF COST!

MEN'S FINE SHOES, regular \$3 to \$6 Values	1.95 to 4.25
LADIES' HIGH GRADE SHOES worth from 2.50 to \$6.00	1.45 to 3.95

MISSIES' AND CHILDREN'S SHOES, \$1.25 to \$3.00, Values	95 to 1.95
BOYS' AND GIRLS' SHOES, Great Bargains in these and also in Felt and Warm Lined Shoes, Slippers, etc.	

YOU ARE SURE TO BE BOTH FITTED AND PLEASED so do not neglect to take advantage of this GREAT MONEY SAVING INDUCEMENT.

ONE-THIRD OFF ON CLOTHING!

All Men's, Boys' and Children's WINTER SUITS and OVERCOATS. Not a job lot of clothing purchased specially for "sale purposes" but the balance of our Winter Stock of new and up-to-date goods. \$35.00 Suits and Overcoats for \$23.35, \$20.00 Suits and Overcoats \$13.35, \$10.00 Suits and Overcoats for \$6.70. And so on.

Positively No Such Clothing Values Elsewhere In The City.

