

things in righteousness and holiness before the Lord.

To observe the word of wisdom is nothing more than we ought to have done over thirty years ago. Touching this matter, I tell the people the will of God concerning them, and then they are left to do as they please in obeying it or not. It is a piece of good counsel which the Lord desires His people to observe, that they may live on the earth until the measure of their creation is full. This is the object the Lord had in view in giving that word of wisdom. To those who observe it He will give great wisdom and understanding, increasing their health, giving strength and endurance to the faculties of their bodies and minds until they shall be full of years upon the earth. This will be their blessing, if they will observe His word with a good and willing heart and in faithfulness before the Lord.

I am talking to the bishops continually almost, giving them instruction and advice, but it is hard for them to get the people to be guided by them. Now, for example we will take the least ward in the city, and suppose the people all consent to be guided and controlled by the word of the Lord in all things, to be faithful in their labor and in the discharge of every duty, being economical, prudent and industrious in all their labors, taking care of everything; abstaining from the use of spirituous liquor, tea, coffee and tobacco, etc., also to let doctors alone, and faithfully abide the word of the Lord relating to the sick, manufacturing what they need to wear, and raising what they need for food; saving their dollars as they happen to get them by the sale of some of their products, sustaining themselves in all things, wanting only what they can produce in the country from the elements and the labor of their hands—suppose, I say they were to take this course, three years would not pass away before the people of that ward would be able to produce everything they need in life. Thus by a union of purpose, and a concentration of action, that little ward would soon be able to buy out their neighboring wards, who would persist in pursuing the opposite course; and perhaps fifteen years would not pass away before this prudent ward would be able to buy out and own this whole city if they continued to do as they were desired to do, and the rest of the wards pursued their own way. I pray my brethren the bishops, the elders, the seventies, the apostles, yea every man and woman and child who has named the name of Christ, to be of one heart and of one mind; for if we do not become of one heart and mind, we shall surely perish by the way.

Before I close my remarks, I will again remind my brethren and sisters that we have a duty to perform in sending for our brethren and sisters who are in foreign lands. We wish to gather them together. As to whether they will stick to the faith after they are gathered, I know not; neither do I care. It is better to feed nine unworthy persons, than to omit feeding one who is worthy among the ten. So it is with clothing the needy, and sending for the poor. They must have the same opportunities for salvation that we have, for the neglect of which they will be held accountable in the day of judgment as we will also be. Let us send for the poor. We are doing considerable, though we are not doing as much as we should do. If I could only have power sufficient with God, I think I should accomplish the desire of my heart in this matter and that of my brethren and sisters. We do desire to have our friends relieved from their bondage, and brought to these valleys of the mountains to share with us the blessings we enjoy. It would be a blessing to the poor if we could only exercise the faith that Elijah had in the case of the widow's meal and cruse of oil, that the little we do get for the emigration of the poor may accomplish, under the blessing of God, much more than it is natural for us to expect from it. If we can only obtain faith to multiply the means we do get; we may make a little reach out so far as to accomplish the desires of our hearts.

May God bless you. Amen.

HOME ITEMS.

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY.

THEATRICAL.—This evening Mr. Stark will appear as Sir John Falstaff, in the "Merry Wives of Windsor"; not the cowardly, fat, old fellow who moralizes so sagely on honor, and satisfies himself that "discretion is the better part of valor," when danger threatens on the "tented field," but the equally corpulent Knight plying a vocation, in the midst of love intrigues, which in these days and in this country would gain him the title of a capital "bummer." The character is unctuous; and as for the comedy, who has not heard of the "Merry Wives of Windsor"? This is its first presentation here. There should be a good house on the occasion.

FROM THE SOUTH.—Elder W. H. Streep, one of the missionaries selected to go south at the last General Conference, writes us from St. Joseph, on the Muddy, under date December 29th. He says:—

We are all well. A great many of the boys are satisfied, and others are trying to be. A number are farming on shares, and some are tilling their own land. We have organized a military company here, with Bro. O. P. Miles as Captain, and Bro. Nelson Empey as First Lieutenant. We have three platoons of cavalry; and a company of infantry will be organized to-morrow. On Christmas day we had a very large flood, which caused some to think ill of the Muddy, but I think it came in the right time to show where the high-water mark is.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY.

THEATRICAL.—"Falstaff" last night was not the success which many expected, arising from several causes,—wants at the beginning, halting in the text, and insufficient acquaintance with the play generally. Shakespear must go trippingly or it does not go well. Mr. Stark's Falstaff, though very good, was not equal in greatness of impersonation to his former efforts here. Messrs. Margetts and Lindsay were as "felicitous as usual" last night, and the whole of the characters, in a general sense, were fairly represented. Mr. Graham was very good. The laughter was loud and frequent during the performance.

To-morrow night will be presented one of the most attractive bills which has been offered for a long time to the public, being for the Benefit of Mr. Stark;—"Money and Misery," an entirely new piece here, which is highly reported of; "Katherine and Petruchio," that inimitable comedy; with Miss Nunn singing between.

TERRITORIAL REPORTS.—The Reports of the Auditor, Treasurer and Adjutant General of this Territory, laid before the Legislative Assembly yesterday, by Governor Durkee, present data of very considerable interest to the public, and very encouraging as to the Territorial condition. We find from those reports that the amount of property assessed was valued at \$10,647,826, on which the tax for the past year was \$63,239.13. Auditor's warrants have been issued during the year to the amount of \$64,935.12, which with \$4,623.97 of warrants in circulation per former report, made a total of \$69,559.09; of which there have been redeemed \$68,483.24, leaving \$1,125.15 in warrants now in circulation.

There remain to the credit of the respective accounts on the Auditor's books, unexpended appropriations to the amount of \$16,727.28.

By the Treasurer's Report we learn there was collected, of taxes, for fiscal year ending December 12th, 1867, \$59,144.65, which with a balance in the Treasury from the previous year of \$35,431.56, made a total of \$94,576.21. Of this \$68,434.24 was disbursed in redeeming Auditor's warrants; and the balance of \$26,141.97 was placed to the credit of the penitentiary, common schools, and other accounts.

The Adjutant General's Report besides giving the statistics of the Militia, refers to the duty performed by various detachments in the Indian war in which the Territory has been engaged for three years. During that war seventy of our citizens have been killed or wounded by Indians; a large amount of stock has been driven off; and very great and serious loss has been suffered by the people of the settlements exposed to Indian depredations. A small portion of the outlay for the expeditions to defend the settlements more immediately in the scene of actual Indian hostilities, has been paid out of Territorial funds; but the report suggests that an appropriation should be made by the General Government to reimburse the Territory.

The statistics of the Territorial Militia show that there are:—1 Lieut. General, with a staff of 18 officers; 13 topographical engineers; 6 officers of the ordnance department; 2 Major Generals, with a staff of 14 officers; 9 Brigadier Generals, with 59 officers in the staff; 25 Colonels, and 25 Lieutenant Colonels, with 85 officers in the regimental staff; 112 Majors, with 113 of battalion staff; 236 Captains; 228 first Lieutenants; 906 second lieutenants; 896 sergeants; 322 musicians; 82 teamsters; and 8,881 privates, making a total of 12,024. The Cavalry number a total of 2,525; the Artillery 179; and the Infantry 9,207; the rest being the general officers and staff, topographical engineers and ordnance department. To equip and arm this body, there are reported 7 pieces of artillery, 2,438 horses, 2,476 saddles, 4,926 revolvers, 2,052 swords, 6,950 rifles, 1719 muskets or shot guns, 25 bayonets, 431,375 rounds of ammunition, 77 trumpets, 98 fife and 107 drums.

Such is the substance of the reports handed in to his Excellency, the Governor, by Auditor Wm. Clayton, Treasurer D. O. Calder, and Adj. General H. B. Clawson.

SLEIGHING.—Lots of sleighing now, big sleighs and little sleighs, cutters and bobs, one horse affairs, and from that up to Wells, Fargo & Co's eight horse "institution." The streets are filled with the music of sleigh-bells from morning till noon, and from noon till night.

CALLED.—Major John Bruce, Editor of the Montana Democrat called upon us to-day. He is on his way east. He feels lively and energetic, talked over reminiscences of his early work as a printer in the office of the Louisville Journal, expressed himself with regard to the good times ahead; and spoke of a batch of western States that should be made soon.

FRESH OYSTERS.—We were favored yesterday morning with a can of fresh oysters from the east handed to us by John Latey, Esq., of this city, and forwarded through him by his brother Henry L. Latey, Esq., of Omaha. They came by rail and coach. We express our obligations for the courtesy, and look upon this as the initial of fresh bivalves and other dainties from "the world of waters," when the railroad is completed.

DIED.—The following brief telegram to President Wells, tells us of the death of Bro. John Heiner, one of the brethren called at the last general Conference to go South:—

St. George, Jan. 13th.
Pres. D. H. Wells,
John Heiner died at 1 p.m. on the 12th.
R. C. LUND.

SEVENTIES' HALL.—Lectures at this Hall to-night by Elders W. S. Godbe and C. R. Savage, both fully competent. Subjects interesting.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY.

THEATRICAL.—The performance to be presented this evening is most attractive. The new play of "Money and Misery" has most interesting features, including a gorgeous apotheosis at the close, which cannot fail to satisfy the habits of the Theatre. "Katherine and Petruchio," that most laughable of comedies, compressed into two acts, will conclude the entertainment. Miss Nunn will sing between the pieces.

DIED. on the 15th inst., of hooping cough, complicated with gastric irritation, Leroy, infant son of W. F. and Isabella Anderson.

The funeral will take place to-morrow at 12 m., at the residence of the family, 13th Ward. Friends are respectfully invited to attend.

POLICE.—Two colored individuals were arrested by the police yesterday afternoon, on the charge of stealing various and sundry articles, who will be brought to trial this afternoon before Justice Clinton.

SEVENTIES' HALL.—Last night Br. W. S. Godbe lectured on the Evidences of the Supernatural and of the Future State, citing a great many spiritual phenomena found recorded in various authenticated works, proving that communication exists between this world and the world beyond the tomb.

Elder C. R. Savage followed, lecturing on Light and Actinism, with illustrations before the audience.

Both lectures were highly interesting, and were listened to by a crowded audience.

The Seventies' Hall is too small for the large audiences which assemble there, and we hope these lectures will soon be delivered, as lately proposed, in the 13th Ward Assembly Rooms.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY.

THEATRICAL.—There was a very good house last night for Mr. Stark's Benefit. The play of "Money and Misery" is a wondrous thing, and excites a great deal of interest. There was a degree of prompting required, at times, that detracted from the effect of the performance; but the play took very well. Mr. Stark played with an amount of feeling and a finish that showed his powers of conception and delineation. He was very well sustained.

"Katherine and Petruchio" went swimmingly, and afforded a vast amount of mirth.

Miss Nunn appeared between the pieces in a ballad, and was encored.

To-morrow evening the great historical drama of "Jack Cade" will be presented for the first time here. To those who are acquainted with this drama, which illustrates a very important point in English history, comment is not required. Those who have not seen it should not miss the opportunity if they can avail themselves of it.

We understand that Mr. Stark will be compelled to start west immediately, and that a re-engagement, which many have hoped for, is not practicable. To-morrow evening will, therefore, be his last appearance here. We would suggest to the Management and Mr. Stark, whether the gentleman could not make it convenient to remain over Tuesday night, and favor the public with another presentation of Bulwer's exquisite comedy of "Money." A great many have expressed a desire to have it repeated; and should it be, there is little doubt but a crowded house would be the result.

POLICE.—The two colored persons arrested yesterday, on a charge of stealing, named Henry Walker and John Brown, were convicted before Justice Clinton, and sentenced; the former to 100 days, and the latter to 50 days' labor with ball and chain.

LEAP YEAR BALL.—On Tuesday evening the ladies of South Cottonwood, Bishop Cahoon's Ward, exercised their leap year privilege, and invited the gentlemen to a party, at which all went merry as a "marriage bell" or a married belle, as all the ladies present are blessed with lords and love already. Mrs. Green was doormaness, and Mrs. Maxwell presided on the Committee of Arrangements. There was a general good time, and at the close the ladies escorted the gentlemen home in gallant style.

The young ladies will continue the programme next week. Our reporter says, that if a lovely creature drives up here in a sleigh, covered with sweet smiles, home-made clothing and buffalo robes, with an invitation for him, he will be on hand.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY.

Great Salt Lake City, Jan. 18, 1868.

MR. JAMES STARK:
Sir:—In consequence of the very general desire freely expressed by both the Press and Public, for a repetition of your fine personation of "Alfred Evelyn," in the Comedy of "Money," we, the undersigned, respectfully solicit you, if not incompatible with your other arrangements, to delay your departure and favor us with one more performance of "Money," on Tuesday evening, January 21st.

- Yours respectfully,
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| C. R. Barratt, | J. Watters, |
| Sam'l. S. Durant, | J. F. Nounnan, |
| W. H. Lewis, | J. McClintock, |
| Tom Pitt, | U. Latey, |
| J. Bauman & Co., | W. Kiskadden, |
| J. Wilson, & Co., | F. Evans, |
| J. W. Clappitt, | P. Englebrecht, |
| W. H. Tall, M. D., | W. Sloan, |
| W. H. Bright, | L. Cohn & Co., |
| C. H. Hempstead, | M. B. Callahan, |
| J. H. Kiskadden, | Conrad Prag, |
| Clay Thompson, | J. Edw. Warren, |
| T. D. Brown, & Son, | W. W. Bell, U.S.A., |
| A. Godbe, | Theo. F. Tracy, |
| R. H. Robertson, | Walker Bros., |
| N. Boukolsky, | E. B. Eddy, |
| F. Auerbach Bro's, | Kahn Bros., |
| Sewell & Co., | A. Gilbert, |
| E. E. Zabriskie, | Seigel Bros., |

GREAT SALT LAKE CITY,
January 18th, 1868.

To Theo. F. Tracy, Walker Bros., Col. W. H. Lewis, J. F. Nounnan, Esqrs. and others:

GENTLEMEN:—Your letter of this date is before me, expressing the general desire of the public

to witness a repetition of Bulwer's splendid Comedy of "Money," at the Theatre, on Tuesday evening next ensuing. In answer, permit me to thank you most kindly for the complimentary expressions contained therein and add that I will cheerfully comply with your very urgent request.

Subscribing myself Yours and the Public's Obedient Servant,
JAMES STARK.

CHIEF JUSTICESHIP.—The term of his Honor, Chief Justice Titus, expires to-morrow, the 19th. We have not heard as yet who will next fill the position or whether there will be a re-appointment. There will be, on Monday, but one Federal Judge in the Territory, the term of the Chief Justice having expired, and Associate Justice McCurdy having gone east.

THEATRICAL.—This evening Mr. Stark will close his engagement here, as "Jack Cade," in the play of the same title. The drama is a most stirring and exciting one, and the character of Cade is one in which Mr. Stark will appear to much advantage. This play with the title role so filled, and with the other characters sustained by our excellent stock company, presents a very strong attraction to our theatre-goers. It will be followed by "My Husband's Ghost," a very laughable farce.

THE UTAH MAGAZINE.—The first number of the Utah Magazine, E. L. T. Harrison, Editor and Publisher, was laid upon our table on Monday, but with a press of matter on our columns a notice of it has been crowded out until the present.

The Magazine is an enterprise worthy of commendation and support. Annually our people send a large amount of money east for the purchase of serials, some of which are very worthless; and if a good magazine were sustained here, it would stop in part this flow of money which should be kept in the Territory.

The Utah Magazine, in its first number, presents a very attractive appearance, more so than could have been expected considering the difficulties the editor had to encounter in procuring type, &c. The articles—original and selected—are excellent; and the paper may claim to be a valuable addition to the literature of our Territory.

MR. STARK.—We understand that a number of friends of this gentleman were making a move this afternoon, to offer him a requisition to remain over Tuesday night, and favor the public with another representation of "Money." This meets the suggestion we threw out yesterday afternoon.

SEVENTIES' HALL.—Secretary Willes informs us that Elder Septimus W. Sears will lecture on next Wednesday evening on the "Rise and Progress, and Statistics, of Swedenborgianism."

WARD PREACHING.—Bishop E. D. Woolley informs us that Elder Orson Pratt, senr., will preach in the 13th Ward Assembly Rooms to-morrow evening, commencing at 6 o'clock.

There is no lack of brethren at present in the city, well able to edify and instruct the Saints; and we hope their knowledge and ability will be freely called into requisition throughout the various wards on Sunday evenings, for the benefit of the people.

SOCIAL RE-UNION.—Last night there was a Re-union at the Social Hall, where a very pleasant company assembled, and enjoyed themselves to good music until an hour when wisdom suggested separating. Quite a number of our most prominent citizens, including Presidents B. Young, H. C. Kimball, D. H. Wells, and a number of the Twelve, participated in the enjoyment of the evening.

(Special to the DESERET EVENING NEWS.)

By Telegraph.

New York, 18.—The World's special says he is officially informed that the President will issue no orders to Stanton. The latter can issue no orders by the President's authority. It is alleged that at the Cabinet meeting on Friday the members compared notes as to what occurred at the meeting on Tuesday, when Grant was present, and agree that Grant admitted the correctness of the President's statement of the agreement that Grant was to hold on to office, or give timely notice to enable the President to appoint another Secretary. The President expressed himself in the most positive terms respecting the new reconstruction measures before Congress, claiming that he was directly elected by the people as well as Congress; and he will resist any encroachments upon his constitutional authority with all the power at his command.

Washington.—House.—The Committee on Military affairs have decided not to take any measures at present toward the reduction of the army.

Some time ago, a boy was run over by a railroad train in Indiana, and lost both his legs. He sued the company and recovered \$10,000 damages. An appeal was taken, and after innumerable delays the poor boy is glad to compromise for \$250, and pay his own costs.

It is not generally known in this country that one and the same telegraphic alphabet is used in Great Britain, France, Belgium, Holland, the German States, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Malta, Switzerland, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Russia, Persia, Greece, Turkey, Africa, and India; also for the Mediterranean, Persia Gulf, and the Atlantic Cables. This alphabet was originated by the Germans.