

ITEMS.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY.

THEATRICAL.—Last night the farce of "Too Much for Good Nature" was played splendidly, keeping the house almost convulsed with laughter from beginning to end. Messrs. Margetts, Lindsay and Graham never played better. The playing of Mrs. A. Clawson was such that it must have gratified her friends. On several occasions lately, when playing *soubrette* parts, this lady has given unmistakable indications that comedy is her forte; and if anything further was necessary to confirm such an idea, it was given last night. If she were to confine herself exclusively to such parts, and had more practice, she might soon become a very useful member of the company. Miss Adams, Mrs. M. G. Clawson, and Miss Platt, played with spirit, and it is rarely that a farce has been more successful than "Too much for Good Nature" last evening.

The drama of the "White Slave" went off with more spirit than the evening previous.

To-night "Lost in London" will be presented, in which Miss Lockhart, Miss Adams, and Messrs. Lindsay, Margetts and Hardy will take the leading characters. The performance will conclude with the farce "To Oblige Benson."

CAUTION.—We heard last evening of a rather serious case through eating the beautiful colored sweetmeats imported from the East. Mr. Jonah Croxall, of the 7th Ward in this city, purchased, at one of the stores on East Temple Street, twenty-five cents worth of candy strawberries, colored like the natural fruit. Three or four of his children partook of them, and shortly afterwards they were all taken seriously ill, the symptoms becoming so violent that he had to procure medical aid. The sickness was caused by the poisonous matter used to color the candy. This should be a caution to parents not to allow their children to use such stuff; plenty of the genuine home-made article can be procured, and if it does not look quite so nice its perfect harmlessness can be relied on.

CALLED.—We were pleased to receive a call, this morning, from Dr. Adonis, representative of the San Francisco Herald, at the recent celebration at Promontory Summit; and formerly one of the editorial staff of the Salt Lake Telegraph in this city. The Doctor and his ringlets look as natural as ever, the latter look as though they received rather more care than usual, making their owner more of an "Adonis" than formerly.

Since leaving this city, about two years ago, the Doctor, as correspondent of the New York Herald, has travelled extensively, having been through the principal portions of California, and from there to Alaska, having been at the latter place at the time of its cession to the United States. On the 30th ult. he landed at San Francisco from Mexico, where he had resided nearly a year and a half, with his headquarters at Mazatlan. He is charmed with Mexico and its people. The climate is delightful, all the year round, its natural resources are boundless and invaluable; the people are hospitable and kind, and were it not for the military demagogues with which the country is cursed, it would be one of the finest in the world.

Everywhere, among the intelligent portion of the people, he found the greatest interest manifested in relation to Utah and the Mormons. This was especially the case in Mexico.

The Doctor is highly pleased to visit this city once more, declaring that in all his travels he has never seen any city so charming and homelike as Salt Lake City, the New Jerusalem of the Rocky Mountains.

DISTRICT COURT.—Grand Jury in session.—Messrs. Baskin and Marshall, counsel assigned by the Court to defend Thos. Murphy, charged with converting a team, wagon and harness belonging to his employer, G. W. Cooper, to his own use, filed a motion to quash the second count of the indictment; motion argued, and the Court sustained the indictment. The Court adjourned till 4 p.m. to await the action of the Grand Jury.

POLICE.—Harry F. Evans, who was engaged in the affray with Mosley on Monday, was examined yesterday afternoon, and it being proved that he acted only in self-defence, he was discharged.

BRIDGES OUT OF REPAIR.—Brother Caleb Luker, of Black Rock, called in yesterday afternoon. He says there are two bridges, one a short distance west of Jordan Bridge, the other over the canal a little east of the same bridge, which need repairing badly; he had great difficulty to get over them with his team without an accident. This should be seen to immediately.

WHITE RABBITS.—Yesterday, a male and female of the tame English white rabbit safely landed in this city from the East, for Mr. Henry W. Naisbitt. This we believe is the first importation of the kind that has been made into this Territory.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY.

THEATRICAL.—Last night "Lost in London" was well performed at the Theatre. Miss Lockhart's "Tilly Dranglethorpe" was the character of the piece. The roles of Nelly Armoyd, Job Armoyd, Gilbert

Featherstone and Benjamin Binker were creditably sustained by Miss Adams, and Messrs. Lindsay, Hardie and Margetts. "To Oblige Benson" was a decided success.

To-night "Lost in London" will be repeated, and will be followed by the sensational drama, in two acts, never before played here, "The Lone House on the Heath."

THE SALT LAKE DIRECTORY.—This work, which has just come to hand, contains about 200 pages of useful and interesting matter, most of which has special reference to Salt Lake City and Utah Territory.

Its contents include chronological tables of the leading events in the history of the Territory since its settlement, a guide to all points of interest in and around Salt Lake City and the towns north and south in its vicinity; also a General Directory of the inhabitants of Salt Lake City, and a classified Business Directory. It contains a very interesting article on the commencement of the Pacific Railroad, and its progress, up to the date of publication; besides a lengthy article on Chicago, its growth and development, noting the places of public interest, the principal business houses and hotels in that city.

The work was compiled by Edward L. Sloan, Esq., of this city, who, from a long residence here, was well acquainted with the main items of historical interest in Utah; and, having made a journey to the East and spent some eight or nine weeks there for the special purpose of superintending its publication, its reliability, on all matters, whether pertaining to Salt Lake or Chicago, is undoubted. The price of the Directory is \$3.00.

SELECT RAILROAD PARTY.—Last evening, at the Social Hall, the employees of Sharp & Young presented Jas. C. Livingston, Esq., with a gold watch and chain, as a token of their respect and esteem for his kindness and ability in directing their labors on the U. P. R. R. as their foreman. Bother H. C. Fowler presented the gift in a neat little speech, setting forth the ideas and feelings of the donors regarding him. President Young was present and expressed his gratification with the spirit that prompted the offering and bestowed his blessing upon all who had worked on the Railroad. The party went off very pleasantly, and dispersed about 8 o'clock this morning.

A GREAT REDUCTION.—The traveling public will be gratified to learn that Wells, Fargo & Co. have greatly reduced the fare by their coaches from this city to Taylor's Mills and Ogden, it is now only three dollars. This timely reduction in the price for a comfortable ride forty miles north will be appreciated by the public generally, and will be very likely to cause such an increase in travel that the Company will sustain no loss thereby. We understand they run three coaches a day.

ODDS AND ENDS.—Thermometer 104 in the shade at St. George at noon yesterday, so says the Deseret Telegraph. John W. Young and party left Cheyenne at 4 p.m. yesterday; they are due in Ogden tomorrow morning. President Young turns the first sod on the Utah Central Railroad on Monday next. It is rumored that the eccentric Geo. F. Train delivers an address in this City, next Monday.

NEARLY ANOTHER FIRE IN MONTANA.—The Helena Post of the 8th instant, says that on the previous afternoon the citizens were alarmed by the terrible cry of fire resounding through the streets, and upon inquiry it was found that the roof of a house on Clore Street was on fire, caused by some neglect on the part of a Chinaman in putting up a stove pipe which he had been cleaning. The flames were extinguished before any serious damage was sustained.

Our Helena neighbors seem to be fearfully unfortunate in this respect; it would almost seem as if their city was a fruitful field for incendiaries or for wilful carelessness. The law recently promulgated by the Tycoon of Japan might be beneficial there.

NEWS FROM NEW YORK.—Brother W. H. Miles, writing from New York, on the 6th instant says "Bro. O. Pratt is with us; also Bros. D. M. Stewart and W. N. Dusenberry." Two or three of the missionaries, who arrived with Bro. Pratt, had sailed for Europe from New York on board the steamer City of Paris. Bro. John W. Young and party had left New York for home, via Philadelphia, Joseph A. and wife would leave in a few days.

THE "AMERICAN BUILDER."—We have received the May number of the American Builder and Journal of Art, edited and published by Chas. D. Lakey, Esq., 115, Madison Street, Chicago. It contains much matter of interest to builders generally, among which may be mentioned well written articles on "Architecture and Landscape gardening," "Preservation of Timber," "Domestic Architecture," "Worthless Wooden Pavements," &c., &c., besides several well executed engravings of notable buildings in the East. It is well got up, being on good paper and nice clear type, and is only three dollars a year. It should have a very large circulation among architects and builders generally.

CELEBRATION AT GUNNISON.—J. M. Westwood, of Gunnison, writes that on the

10th instant, the people of Gunnison had a fine time in celebrating the completion of the Pacific Railroad. After a military review the whole of the citizens repaired to the meeting house, where addresses were made by Brig.-Gen. Pace, Col. Beach and Judge Peacock.

The Indians are quiet in the Sevier country.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY.

SABBATH MEETINGS.—In the morning Rev. L. Hartsough, a clergyman of the the Methodist Episcopal Church, who is traveling west, by the advice of his physician for the benefit of his health, having been afflicted with throat disease, addressed the congregation. He took for his text Numbers, 23d chapter, from the 7th to the 10th verses.

We regret that we cannot give a synopsis of his discourse, but he was listened to with great attention by the vast concourse of people present on the occasion. The children and teachers of most of the Sunday schools in the city were present, which added greatly to the interest of the occasion.

Mr. Hartsough was followed by the Rev. Mr. Allen, also a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He spoke of being struck by the primitiveness and simplicity of the people of Utah, and exhorted them, above all things, to preserve these qualities. He touched upon the training of children, and was delighted with seeing so many present, and said if children were trained properly, "protracted meetings" and "anxious seats" would not be needed, for they would grow up in the fear of God, and there would not be so much necessity of preaching repentance.

In the afternoon discourses were delivered by Elders George Q. Cannon and Wilford Woodruff, on the measures now being introduced among the Latter-day Saints in Utah, to prevent the development of class distinctions in their midst, and the perpetuation of that real brotherhood and equality which must characterize the denizens of the Kingdom of God. Both discourses were reported.

They were followed by the Rev. Mr. Allen, the gentleman who addressed the congregation in the morning. The reverend gentleman's remarks were of the most pithy and interesting character. He said he had heard principles advanced, and a testimony borne there, that astonished him; but they were in accordance with the doctrines of the Savior as recorded in the New Testament, and notwithstanding the unpopularity of the Latter-day Saints, he felt like saying "Amen" to the words of the Savior, and he would say "Amen" to what he had heard that afternoon. He had been in trouble in his church, twice for speaking too plainly; and it might be that he was getting his feet into a net and his hands into hot water by saying what he was then saying, but, if so, it would not be much trouble for him to change his "boarding house."

Speaking of the fashions he said the fashions of the East came from Paris, and the fashions of Paris came from hell. He believed that simplicity in dress and diet were conducive to health, wealth and happiness. He remembered the time in the Methodist church, when brotherhood and love were general, and when if a lady appeared decked in ribbons and silks, she would have been summoned before the church for pride; but now pride reigned, and the lady, dressed in her silks and her lawns, could not notice her sister if she was not dressed as well as she. He rejoiced very much to hear doctrines, that had a tendency to destroy such distinctions, promulgated here.

Referring to the persecutions that the Latter-day Saints had had to endure, he thought that it was an excellent sign, for persecution was the shortest method the devil could adopt to defeat his own purposes. If he (Mr. Allen) knew that he and his people had the truth, he would hold on to it if all the guns in the United States were brought to bear on him; he should have no fear in such a case, for he considered God and one good man were a large majority in this world.

He had heard and read a great deal about Utah and its people; but he could say that the half had not been told; he thought the promise of success in the future was bright for the Latter-day Saints if they but continued to preach and practice such doctrines as he had heard there to-day. He concluded by exhorting them to be humble and keep their hearts right before the Lord and he was satisfied that their blessings would continue, and increase, and all would be well with them.

THE UTAH CENTRAL RAILROAD.—Yesterday morning Presidents Young, Smith and Wells, accompanied by Elders B. Young, jr., and W. S. Godbe, left this city for Ogden, to be present at the putting of the first sod for the Utah Central Railroad, this morning. We have received the following account of this important event, per Deseret Telegraph line, from the special correspondent of the NEWS:

OGDEN, May 17.

Editor Deseret News:—At 10 o'clock this morning, President Young broke the first ground on the Utah Central Railroad, near Weber River, immediately below Ogden City. The First Presidency, the officers of the Company: President B. Young, President; W. Jennings, Vice President; John W. Young, Secretary; D. H. Wells, Treas-

urer; Jesse W. Fox, Chief Engineer; B. Young, W. Jennings, F. Little, C. Layton, D. H. Wells, Directors. Elders John Taylor, E. T. Benson, F. D. Richards, B. Young, jr., L. Farr and C. W. West and a large concourse of citizens were present. Hon. Joseph A. Young, General Superintendent of the road, was not present, being now in the East on business for the line.

After a few remarks, President Young cut the first sod, observing that it was customary to use a pick in breaking the first ground, but he believes in using a tool the best adapted to the soil.

President Smith then dedicated the ground for a railroad, praying that nothing might be wanting to complete it; asking blessings on the President and officers, and the engineers and constructors of the road, that the work might be speedily accomplished. The President then removed the first sod, and was followed by Presidents Smith and Wells, W. Jennings, Esq., and others cutting a sod. Three cheers were then given for the President of the road. The band played and the assembly dispersed. The weather was beautiful.

The President and company left for Salt Lake City at 10.30 a.m.

REGISTER OF LAND OFFICE FOR UTAH.—Our telegrams, to-day, say that George C. Maxwell has been appointed Register of Land Office for Utah Territory.

DISTRICT COURT.—In the case of the people, versus Augustus Taskey, indicted for an assault with intent to murder, defendant's counsel filed demurrer, objecting to the legality of the grand jury. The demurrer was being argued while we were going to press. The ruling of the court may be expected to-morrow.

THE AMERICAN YEAR BOOK.—We have received a copy of the American Year Book and National Register, for 1869, edited by David N. Camp, Esq., and published by O. D. Chase & Co. Hartford. It is a very valuable work and should be in the hands of every person who wishes to be fully posted in the political, commercial, agricultural, astronomical, educational and religious statistics of our own country.

The work is separated into six principal divisions, the first containing a great amount of interesting matter relating to astronomy, with the recent discoveries in that science, &c., &c. The second part is devoted to the United States, and gives an account of all the various departments of the government, and its principal officers both at home and abroad, since its foundation. It also gives an account of the various States and Territories, showing the organization of their several governments, judiciary, finances, education, charitable and penal institutions, population, wealth and industry.

Part third is devoted to the foreign States of the world, showing their area, population, government, domestic and foreign trade, religion &c. &c.

In part fourth will be found very compendious statistics of the various sects of Christendom throughout the world.

Part five contain essays on agriculture, currency, finance, mining and literature.

Part six contains the returns of the various Presidential elections in the several States, statistics of population, record of important events, obituaries of distinguished individuals, &c. &c.

The work is a perfect cyclopedia, and we heartily recommend its perusal to all who desire accurate information on any of the subjects named.

Died:

At Provo City, May 7th, 1869, of concussion of the brain, caused by a fall, Lewis Wride, son of Peter and Anna Snibbs, aged 1 year, 3 months and 22 days.

Millennial Star please copy.

At Plain City, Weber County, of measles, on the 11th inst., Rhoda Amelia, daughter of William and Randa England, aged 2 years, 8 months and 3 days.

Mill. Star, please copy.

At Coalville, Summit county, on the 5th inst., of inflammation of the lungs, George Thomas B., son of George H. and Emma M. Knowlton, aged 3 years, 5 months and 12 days.

At Montpelier, Rich County, on the first instant, after two days illness of mountain fever, William Walter, son of Jacob and Annie Jones, aged 9 years, 6 months and 13 days.—Mill Star please copy.

At Tooele city, May 2nd, 1869, of inflammation of the bowels, Mary Louisa, daughter of Robert and Mary Anne Liddiard, aged 1 year and 8 months.—Mul Star please copy.

ESTRAY.

CAME to my place last Fall, a 1-year old Black HEIFER, white belly, bob tail. The owner can obtain the above by paying charges.

STEPHEN WILKINS, 4th Ward.

NOTICE!

ON and after Monday, the 17th day of May, the Kaysville and South Weber Irrigation Company will be ready to let out Contracts to make a Canal for bringing out the waters of Weber River.

Persons wishing to take shares can apply to Peter Barton, who will be along the line of the Canal on and after the above-mentioned date.

CHRISTOPHER LAYTON, President
PETER BARTON, Secretary.
Kaysville, May 11. d146-3-29-2w15-1