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LOCAL NEWS.

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY, JULY 28

Body Found.—The body of Niels Otto Eliason, who was drowned in Jordan river on the 24th, was found floating down the river yesterday; it was discovered near Pettit's, by some boys who were fishing. A gentleman who was notified procured a boat and took the body ashore; it was brought to the city last evening and buried today.

Third District Court.—The suit of E. T. Sprague vs. Samuel P. Hoyt, was dismissed.

Adam Shurt. a native of Scotland, was admitted to citizenship.

The People, etc., vs. Fred Hopt, charged with murder. W. G. Van Horne was allowed to withdraw as attorney for defendant, and Ben Sheeks and E. D. Hoge were appointed by the Court to defend.

Pioneer Day Celebration.—Quite a number of the country settlements, through lack of the mail facilities or telegraphic communication, failed to get the news of President Grant's death until after the 24th, and accordingly on that day engaged in celebrating the entrance of the pioneers into Salt Lake Valley with the customary speech-making, music, singing, feasting, etc. We have received quite a number of reports of such proceedings, for which we feel tender thanks to our correspondents, and trust they will not feel slighted should they not appear in our columns.

Morgan Items.—Mr. H. T. Pugh, of Morgan City, Morgan County, reports the condition of the people in that section of the country as prosperous. The crops are rather late, the wheat being in head, and barley just turning color. The yield of small grain will be unusually large, and the hay crop is very heavy. There is a general good feeling among the people, who are pretty well united. The new Morgan Stake tabernacle 40x80 feet, has been re-seated, and a new stand put up; the meetings are well attended. The County Court House, which has been in progress of building for about ten years, is being completed this season; it is a fine brick building, with two stories and a basement. Morgan has a good base ball nine, who feel they can add one more to the list of defeats the Salt Lakers are experiencing this season.

Exciting Runaway.—About half past three o'clock this afternoon, Mrs. Smith of O'Connell, drove up in front of Godbe, Pitts & Co.'s drug store, to get some medicine for her husband. In the wagon was a five-year old son of Mrs. Smith, and her niece, Annie Everett, nine years old, who lives in the Sixteenth Ward. Mrs. Smith got out of the wagon to fasten the horses, when they became frightened at a boy carrying a tub, and broke away, dashing eastward along First South Street. Several parties tried to stop them, but without success, and as the animals ran along the street, the excited crowd rushed from both sides and endeavored to overtake the animals in their mad career. The spectacle of two small children clinging in the wagon and screaming for help created the most intense excitement and great fears for their safety. After running to near Sexton Taylor's office, however, the animals were stopped, the children escaping without injury, but badly frightened.

Severe Accident.—Yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Christensen, of Mount Pleasant, Sanpete County, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Evans, in this city, was making preparations to go out on the D. & R. G. train last evening, and had engaged Mr. Walter Brown to take her to the depot in his light wagon. About half-past 4 o'clock, Mr. Brown's boy went to hitch up the

mare, which has a colt, and was accompanied by Frank, the nine-year old son of Mrs. Christensen. While driving the animals, Frank waved his hat and ran close up to the colt, which kicked with both feet, striking the boy a terrific blow on the right side of the face. Mr. Brown immediately took the boy to Dr. Fowler, who found that the jaw had suffered a severe fracture, and was badly broken and shattered; the face had also sustained other injuries. The Doctor dressed the wound, and the patient is doing as well as could be expected, but recovery will be slow, as the injury is a serious one. The little boy behaved heroically after being kicked and when the surgeon was operating, and while being taken from Mr. Brown's in the Sixteenth Ward to the doctor's office, requested Mr. Brown not to tell his mother of the accident, because it would make her feel bad.

FLORENCE A. CLAWSON ASKS FOR A DIVORCE.

WHICH IS GRANTED, THE DEFENDANT, RUDGER CLAWSON, CONSENTING.

On Saturday, by her attorneys, Mrs. Florence A. Clawson filed in the Third District Court an application for divorce from Rudger Clawson, who is now serving a term in the Utah penitentiary for marrying Lydia Spencer in accordance with his religious belief in the rightfulness of plural marriage. The alleged grounds for the action are set forth in the body of the application, which is as follows:

In the District Court of the Third Judicial District of Utah Territory, Salt Lake County.

Florence A. Clawson, Plaintiff, } ss.
vs.
Rudger Clawson, Defendant. }

The plaintiff complains and alleges: First, that plaintiff and defendant intermarried at Salt Lake City, Utah Territory, on the 12th day of August, 1882, and ever since have been and now are husband and wife. That plaintiff is, and for more than one year last past has been an actual bona fide resident of the County of Salt Lake, Utah Territory.

Plaintiff on her information and belief, alleges that defendant did, on the 3rd day of November, A. D. 1884, commit adultery with one Lydia Spencer, at the house of one Smith, on West Temple Street, Salt Lake City, in the County of Salt Lake, Territory of Utah; that said act of adultery was committed without the consent, connivance or procurement of plaintiff and that she has not lived or cohabited with defendant since the time of the commission by the defendant of the act of adultery complained of.

Further complaining, plaintiff alleges that at the September term, A. D., 1884, of the District Court of the Third Judicial District of Utah Territory, in the County of Salt Lake, and before this action, the defendant was convicted of a felony, to wit: of the crime of polygamy, and duly sentenced by said court to confinement in the Penitentiary for a term of three years and six months, and in pursuance of the said sentence the defendant is now confined in said Penitentiary.

Plaintiff further alleges that there is now living of the issue of their said marriage one child, namely, a boy named Rudger Clawson, of the age of one year and six months.

Therefore, plaintiff prays that the said bonds of matrimony between herself and the defendant be dissolved, and that the custody of the said minor child be awarded to plaintiff, and for costs of suit.

SHEEKS & RAWLINS,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

Yesterday the defendant was brought into court, and his attorneys filed the following answer:

In the District Court of the Third Judicial District, Territory of Utah, Salt Lake County.

Florence Clawson, plaintiff, }
vs.
Rudger Clawson, defendant, }

I hereby enter my appearance, in the above entitled action, waive service of summons and copy of complaint, and all time to plead thereto, and consent that default may now be entered against me therein.

(Signed) RUDGER CLAWSON.
Dated this July 27th, 1885.

The Court then ordered a judgment by default, and granted a decree of divorce as prayed for.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY, JULY 29

More Grand Jury Business.—The other day we stated that members of the family of Brother A. M. Musser had been subpoenaed to appear before the grand jury in October next. We are informed that members of President Angus M. Cannon's family have been similarly served.

Who Was It?—Some agent of the News remitted to this office in the

early part of this month the sum of \$2.85 in postage stamps, without signing his name or giving his address on the blank enclosed with the remittance, and we are at a loss to know whom to credit it to. If this meets his eye he will please drop a line and explain.

The Spanish Fork Scandal.—The examination of Mrs. Craig, the woman who murdered her incestuous offspring recently, was held before Commissioner Smoot at Spanish Fork yesterday. She confessed her crime, was remanded to await the action of the grand jury, and taken to Provo, where she will be lodged in the county jail. The scene in the court is described as intensely touching.

Fast Time.—A Union Pacific freight car, No. 40,127, with 30,000 pounds of freight for the Utah and Montana Machinery Company, left New York on July 17th, and reached this city on the morning of July 27th. The car came via the Star Union Fast Freight, C. R. I. and P., and U. P. Railways, and was not especially forwarded by either line. The R. R. officials claim this to be the quickest freight time made.

Star Valley.—From a gentleman just down from the north we learn some particulars of a very interesting valley located in Wyoming, forty miles north-east of Montpelier, Bear Lake Valley, which bears the foregoing title. It is six miles in width by twenty in length, extending north and south with Salt River running through it northward towards Snake River, into which it empties. It is said to be 240 feet lower than Bear Lake, and one of the best watered valleys to be found in this mountainous region. There are five large mountain streams entering the valley from various directions, any one of which is large enough to irrigate the whole of it, and the land is situated so favorably for being irrigated that our informant declares that two men with teams could make a ditch in one week and bring out water sufficient to irrigate thousands of acres. The land slopes beautifully from the east and west down to the river, which is near the center of the valley, and the soil is of a light gravelly nature, of a reddish appearance, well adapted for the raising of lucern—in fact, for almost any kind of crops raised throughout northern Utah. When our informant was there the present month, he saw rye growing fully six feet in height and beets, turnips, cabbage, beans and other garden products that were not at all injured by the frost, proving clearly that the locality is much more favorable for the cultivation of these things than Bear Lake and others of our higher valleys which are inhabited.

Along the east side of the valley a chain of very high and steep mountains extends, and, jutting out from these, but disconnected with them, may be seen a series of hills pyramidal in shape and separate from one another like a row of sentinel overlooking the valley. Between and back of these are extensive forests of pine timber, one of them being one and a half by seven miles in extent, and easy of access; in fact, a wagon can be driven right into it.

On the west side of the valley there are low rolling hills, furnishing an excellent range; indeed the whole of the surrounding country is well adapted for summer grazing, and horses might winter there, as it is the natural wintering place for deer and elk, but the snow falls rather too deep to make it safe to depend upon stock getting their own living during the whole year.

The whole of the east side of this valley is covered with a fine bunch grass, and presents the appearance of one vast meadow. It is easily broken up, there being no brush growing upon it. A considerable quantity of fine blue grass is also found in the vicinity of the streams which makes excellent hay.

This valley is capable of sustaining more inhabitants than Bear Lake Valley; in fact, there are ample facilities for making 12 large settlements. One townsite, situated at the mouth of what is known as Swift Creek, was laid off by Apostle Moses Thatcher some years ago, and given the name of Afton. There are at present only six families in the valley, but many people from Bear Lake and other valleys in the north expect to go there to settle right away, and we would recommend the locality to the consideration of a large class in this region who are desirous of following an agricultural life, as offering about the best facilities of any place we know of for new settlers. Its isolation is the only thing that has prevented it being fully occupied.

Twelve miles farther down the river than this valley is another and smaller one known as the Lower Salt River Valley, where there are a few inhabitants and where our informant found new potatoes, home-raised, being served up on the 4th of July.

Access to the valley may be had from several directions—by way of Snake River Valley, or Soda Springs, or up Montpelier Cañon, or by a cañon which opens into Bear Lake Valley a short distance south of Montpelier. This latter is probably the best as well as the shortest way for any one to take who is going there from this region.

The Best Yet.—Brother John Q. Cannon is specially jubilant this morning over his good fortune in procuring a splendid flowing well at his farm, near what is known as the Sixth Ward bridge over the Jordan, last evening. The place has been rather a disconcert as a residence heretofore, owing to the absence of good water for household purposes, the best available being that from the river, and he accordingly employed the well-sinking apparatus of Sheriff Groesbeck to procure for him the great desideratum. Considerable difficulty was experienced owing to the great quantity of fine sand encountered in boring and the liability of water coming to the surface on the outside of the pipe. The first pipe put down had to be withdrawn on the latter account, and a larger one, six inches in diameter, substituted for it. The second attempt was entirely successful, for on reaching a depth of 110 feet a powerful stream of water came forth, yielding 60 gallons per minute, which appears to be of very good quality, and of the same temperature—52 degrees Fahrenheit—as all the rest of the flowing wells that we have heard of in this region. There is considerable sand at present coming up in the water, but it will doubtless soon become clear. No fear is entertained as to the permanency of the outflow, as the stream issues forth from a bed of sand which has a thick stratum of clay above it, and another one a few feet below.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY JULY 30

Twins.—On Monday morning, July 27th, to the wife of Adam Duncan, of the First Ward in this city, a pair of twin-girls, each weighing over eight pounds.

A Heavy Bereavement.—As will be seen by a notice published elsewhere, three children of Brother Nathaniel and Sister Emmeline Goodman, of Minersville, have died within fifteen days, from the effects of that dread scourge, the diphtheria, which broke out in Minersville in the early part of this month in a very malignant form.

Dismissed.—The suit against Chas. Wright, of Huntsville, Weber County, for illegal voting, was dismissed in the First District Court, yesterday. It appears that some years ago Mr. Wright was duly naturalized in the District Court at Provo, and had exercised his privilege as an elector. By some means his papers were lost, and he inquired of Judge Emerson what he should do, and the Judge officially advised him to take out others, which he did subsequent to casting his vote in 1882. This was the ground on which an indictment was found, and on Mr. Wright furnishing evidence that the record of his first naturalization had been found at Provo, and Judge Emerson testifying to having given the advice, the case was promptly dismissed.

Arizona Cases.—The following news received by telegraph too late for last evening's issue will doubtless afford a slight feeling of relief to the Saints generally who have learned of the villainous prosecution of their brethren in Arizona during the past few months. There is reason for encouragement in the brief respite in prospect. It is to be hoped that the jury will also clear Bishop Udall of the groundless charge of perjury with which he has been harassed of late.

PRESCOTT, A. T.
July 29th, 1885.

Editor Deseret News:

In the case of the United States vs. James Crosby for perjury, a verdict of not guilty has been rendered, and Bishop D. K. Udall's case, on the same charge has been set for Monday. All the polygamy cases are likely to go over for the term. JOSEPH CROSBY.

Divorced.—Yesterday afternoon, after the discovery of the loss of his money by Jens Peter Jensen, as mentioned in the News, he proposed taking steps to prosecute Mrs. Jensen for stealing the cash, but the parties finally agreed on the course to be pursued to-day, and which was carried out. Mrs. Jensen entered suit in the Probate Court for a divorce, and Jensen consented to the granting of the decree, on the payment by Mrs. Jensen, out of the money she had taken, of Jensen's fine and all the costs in the case, each to take what they were individually entitled to of the household goods. Last evening the parties went to the house in South Cottonwood where they had been living, and made a division of the goods, Jensen taking his portion away to commence life anew. It has transpired in connection with the case that the trouble has been brought about through the efforts of Mrs. Jensen's son, who is addicted to drink, and who tried to frighten the teamster who hauled Jensen's things away by threatening to have him prosecuted for stealing.

Fruit Supply.—Not nearly all the fruit required by the residents of Salt Lake City is being raised here this year; in fact, owing to the ravages of

the caterpillars, codling moth and other insect pests, the fruit raised in this city has not only diminished in quantity the past few years, but much of it has also deteriorated in quality, and outside sources have to be depended upon for a great deal of what is consumed. All parts of the Territory are not so unfortunate in this respect, however, for in many settlements north and south an abundance has been raised this year and of an excellent quality too. In this connection we may remark that we have noticed with regret all through this season that a considerable proportion of the fruit in the market has been shipped from California, and we cannot help thinking that a little more enterprise on the part of "our country cousins" living along the line of railway north and south would enable them to stock the market in this city to the exclusion of such kinds of Californian fruit as are raised in this Territory at least.

We are pleased to see by an advertisement published elsewhere in this issue, that the Battle Creek Co-operative Store is taking hold in this matter. Pleasant Grove abounds with fine orchards and gardens, and now that the stores have taken to filling orders for fresh fruit, parties in this city can get it here by rail from there within a few hours after it is plucked from the trees or vines, and in good condition, so that it will be preferable to that shipped from a longer distance, and in purchasing it we are supporting our own community.

—A curious spectacle was witnessed by several parties in Logan last Wednesday evening. It was an object, apparently fire, in the shape of a pyramid seen on a range of mountains in the south end of the valley. This object was seen distinctly three times coming up in about the same position. The fourth time it was at a distance east of where it was first seen. It remained in this position about five minutes. It came up gradually and disappeared in the same way. When at its best it presented considerable brilliancy.

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