

conflict with the savages ourselves. Were such charges made, they would be as false now as they have ever been; but wisdom inculcates that, as a people, we should hold to the policy which we have proved to be so good, and act according to the counsel of our leaders, who have, by the wisdom of God, turned aside many a threatening evil.

## HOME ITEMS.

**SABBATH MEETINGS.**—President Joseph Young spoke on several subjects relating to the mercies of God towards His creatures, the manifold reasons we have to be filled with wonder at His works, and with love and gratitude for the great blessings we enjoy. He pointed out the emptiness and fleeting character of worldly greatness, pomp and wealth; the humility required to render obedience to the commandments of God; and the superiority of the wisdom of Heaven, made manifest through the elders of Israel, to that of the great and learned of the earth, for the accomplishment of holy and righteous purposes. He referred to those who have recently fallen by the Indians, pointed out that they have passed the ordeal that all must pass, which they will never be called upon to undergo again, and are with the spirits of the just. He recalled the counsel often given, to exercise the utmost care while living in or traveling through places where there is a liability of danger from the savages, and to build a fort at every new settlement, sufficiently large and strong to protect all the inhabitants. He concluded by exhorting the Saints to faithfulness and diligence.

## AFTERNOON.

Elder Lorenzo Snow reasoned upon the value of our being filled with a spirit of peace and happiness, that we may enjoy this present life, having the strongest assurance that no matter what our present circumstances may be, there is a future before us more glorious and beautiful than anything we can conceive of. With this assurance, and with the knowledge we possess, if the Latter-day Saints are not happy, and the happiest people on the earth, then the fault is with themselves. There are people who walk around upon the earth dead to the truth and sunk in ignorance, even as the Lamanites who are around us; but we should so live that the spirit of life and light will be and abide with us. He spoke of the general feeling that exists everywhere he has been since Conference with regard to keeping the Word of Wisdom. There has been a very great reformation in this matter, which has been quietly but effectually working. He advocated the throwing away of everything calculated to shorten life, or weaken our mental and physical vigor; and our learning how to take care of ourselves and of the thousands who will yet look upon us for relief and sustenance, that we may accomplish the purposes of God in righteousness.

Elder Ezra T. Benson, after speaking of the happiness enjoyed by the Saints, quoted the words "Can you gather grapes of thorns or figs of thistles?" "By their fruits ye shall know them," showing that the fruits of the gospel are peace, joy and consolation in the Holy Ghost; and blessings bestowed in great abundance. He spoke of his early experience before and shortly after embracing the gospel, and the great blessings that he received; and exhorted the Saints to increased faith and good works. He also spoke of the strong feeling that exists among the Saints to keep the Word of Wisdom. The manner in which that revelation is being observed is cheering, and manifests the faith of the people, and their strong desire to do the will of God. He reprobated the practice of elders in Israel walking through the streets, with pipes stuck in their mouths, tainting the air with tobacco smoke.

**OBITUARY.**—Major John Wesley Vance, killed at Twelve Mile Creek, Sanpete, on June 2d, by Indians, was interred on the 5th inst., at 11 a. m. By letter from Bishop Thomas J. McCullough we learn some particulars which will be interesting. Major Vance was Acting Adjutant on the Staff of General Pace, in Sanpete; and on the 1st inst., went to Manti to hold a military drill. Having performed that duty he started to return to camp at Gunnison, in company with Captain Orson P. Miles, Sergeant Heber Houtz and Nathan Tanner, jun. When they reached Twelve Mile Creek they were fired upon by Indians, and Major Vance and Sergeant Houtz were shot and left on the ground dead. Br. Houtz' horse was shot; br. Vance's was brought away. The major was shot through the middle, and in the breast close to the top of the breast bone. Bro's Miles and Tanner succeeded in reaching Manti, having been pursued some distance by the Indians. A posse of men went from Manti and brought in the bodies; and on the morning of the 3d they were forwarded to their homes. At Nephi they were dressed in their burial clothes and put into coffins.

The remains of Major Vance arrived at his residence in Alpine on the evening of the 4th, attended by a very large and most respectable escort, including the principal officers of his

regiment, Bishop Harrington and Counselors of American Fork, and a large concourse of citizens from Provo and other settlements in the north end of Utah County. Although he had been killed two days and brought over one hundred miles, he looked almost as natural as life, not having been scalped or mutilated in any way, which was consolatory, though it was a sorrowful thing to behold a large and almost helpless family mourning over their murdered husband and father. The majority of the escort stopped till after the funeral; and the large procession which followed his body to the grave showed in what estimation he was held.

Major Vance held several prominent positions, and filled them honorably. He was First Counselor to the Bishop, Justice of the Peace and Alderman, and Post Master of Alpine; he was also Major of the battalion of infantry, and School Trustee. His loss is mourned by a large circle of relatives and friends, who sympathize with his family in their bereavement.

**THEATRICAL.**—The regular theatrical Summer Season opened on Tuesday evening, 4th inst., when the Dead Heart was presented for the first time here.

The play is something of a historical one, its scenes being laid some years antecedent to, and during the progress of, the French Revolution. The manner in which it was put upon the stage could not fail to convey a vivid idea of the character of some of the incidents that transpired at that terrible period of French history. It may be truly called a thrilling and intensely interesting play, for while it does not deeply excite to sorrow, nor often stir to laughter, it moves to varied feelings and moods of mind, and carries thought involuntarily to some of those dread scenes which bathed Paris and France in blood.

Viewed in this light, the characters are but representatives of classes; the incidents of circumstances and events. Robert Landry, the young sculptor, standing in the way of an aristocrat, and consigned to the Bastille through the influence and villainy of a priest, represents the class to which he is supposed to belong; while those at whose hands he suffers, likewise represent in a degree the power of the nobility and the influence and corruption of the ecclesiastics of the time in that nation. So with the other characters introduced.

The scenes were very effective; the two duels sensational, that to the death particularly so; the situations are highly dramatic; and the scenery, sets, costumes and appointments were characteristic of the care constantly exercised on our boards. Mr. Pauncefort played Landry well; Miss Adams sustained the part of Catherine; Mr. McKenzie the Abbe Latour; and the other characters were well cast and ably rendered.

On Thursday evening the Three Guardsmen was again presented, and was if possible even better received than on the occasion of its first performance when Mr. Lindsay took his benefit. The parts were excellently rendered. "Bobby" is a great "institution" in the hands of Mr. Pauncefort, who rendered D'Artagnan in his best style. Miss Colebrook as Lady de Winter, the only important change in the cast, played with much vim. In fact the whole play was well performed. The scenery is beautiful and the costumes magnificent.

The fine play of the Dead Heart was repeated on Saturday night, and was performed much the same as on the Tuesday evening previous. It therefore calls for no special comments.

Last night there was presented a new piece—the Streets of New York—that has had most successful runs in other places. It opens up some scenes and characters, of which more than occasional glances are caught in real life. It brings us face to face with representative situations, circumstances and incidents which, while they can be neither new nor strange to many who witness them, are so arranged, produced and "worked up," that the interest excited by them is very great. The characters were good, and well cast.

Thursday night is the last one of Mr. Pauncefort's engagement. On Saturday night he takes a benefit, being the occasion of his last appearance.

**THE WEATHER.**—Friday noon:—

Great Salt Lake City, cloudy, but clearing off after the storm.

By Deseret State Telegraph Line:—

Logan, raining and snowing, rather cold, rained all last night.

Payson, very gloomy and cloudy; it has snowed this morning very hard.

Nephi, began snowing at 5 o'clock this morning and has been snowing ever since till just now; trees covered with snow.

Sanpete, very cold and cloudy, occasional showers of hail.

Fillmore, rather cool, some few scattering clouds. We had a heavy frost last night; it cut the most of our grape vines down.

Beaver, very cold, partially clear and disagreeable; another fall of snow yesterday.

Parowan, sharp frost last night, ice a third of an inch thick; very cold and indications of more snow or rain to-day.

Tokerville, very pleasant now; very cloudy last night.

St. George, clear, rather cool last night; Thermometer at 42° this morning.

**OBSEQUIES.**—The funeral obsequies of br. Heber Houtz, Sergeant, 1st. Cav. N. L., the young man who was killed, with Major Vance, by the Indians at Twelve mile Creek, Sanpete, were held in the Thirteenth Ward Assembly Rooms, on Thursday morning, commencing at 10 o'clock. The body had been forwarded to his friends, as stated in the telegram from General Pace published in our last number; and had been met by an escort of cavalry from the city, under the command of Lieut. A. Dewey. A very large concourse of people assembled on the melancholy occasion, and addresses were delivered by Elders Geo. A. Smith and George Q. Cannon.

Elder Smith, in referring to the sad circumstance which had called them together, said he could sympathize with the bereaved more deeply because of having suffered a similar loss, his son, a fine promising young man of nineteen, having been killed by the Navajoes, while on his way to the Moquis villages with some others in 1861. He urged the people not to entertain vengeful feelings which would lead to inflict punishment on the innocent for the crimes of the guilty; but to ever seek to have that spirit which, while it would seek reparation from the guilty for wrongs committed, would protect the innocent. He could sympathize with the mourners, but we do not mourn as those who have no hope; for we have the assurance of the promise of God to sustain us in our bereavements.

Elder Cannon referred to the feeling which we have when dearly loved ones are thus rudely snatched away from us; spoke of the martyrdom of Joseph and Hyrum and the strong feelings with which the Saints had then to contend; and advanced the beautiful idea that, as we rejoice over another's spirit being born into this world of care and trouble, so do those who have passed from death to life, rejoice over the emancipation of another spirit from this life of sorrow to that of glory which lies beyond, and rejoice more fully than we can do.

The addresses were highly appropriate and impressive. The 13th Ward choir officiated; Elder Cannon offered the opening prayer, and Bishop Woolley the closing one. The body was borne to the grave preceded and followed by an escort of his comrades of the Cavalry, and accompanied by a large number of carriages.

Brother Houtz was a very estimable young man, a brother to Mr. John Houtz, of the firm of Faust and Houtz, and was about twenty years of age.

Brother Vance, who was shot at the same time, is spoken of in the highest terms as an officer, a citizen, and a Saint. His residence was in Mountainville, Utah County.

**FATAL ACCIDENT.**—On Monday afternoon, the 3d inst., br. George William Rogers was digging underneath a bank not far from the residence of the Hon. W. H. Hooper, when it caved in and he was buried underneath. When dug out he was found to be fatally injured, and though everything was done that could be by Dr. Anderson who was promptly sent for, and by others, he died in a short time afterwards. The body was conveyed to his residence in the 14th Ward. On Tuesday afternoon it was interred, addresses having been delivered at the funeral services by Elders W. Woodruff and George Q. Cannon.

Brother Rogers was a quiet man, a kind husband and a good Saint. He was respected by all who knew him, and his friends were as numerous as his acquaintances. He was born in Portsmouth, England, Dec. 6th, 1827, and was therefore in his fortieth year. He was baptized, we understand, about 1850, but have not learned the definite time. He emigrated to the United States in 1854, and resided in Philadelphia for several years, being for a length of time secretary to the Conference there; and came to this Territory in 1860. He leaves a wife to mourn his loss.

**MORE STORM.**—On Thursday morning a little rain fell, and clouds kept hovering around all day. In the evening they began to thicken and deepen in the west, and a storm set in about eight o'clock, which passed through the stages of rain, hail, sleet and snow, varying them with occasional changes till Friday morning, when it snowed heavily for a while, and then turned to a gentle rain. Truly the climate seems undergoing a great change.

**CITY CREEK,** usually a quiet rivulet, is and for some days past has been very high, doing some damage east of the bridge on East Temple Street; but west of that point it is as yet completely controlled the whole length of the channel paved down the centre of North Temple Street, demonstrating that paying to be an excellent improvement, causing the stream to glide harmlessly where it had been accustomed to cut and carve in an unsightly manner, and prevented from doing more damage only by a large expenditure at each recurring period of high water.

**LECTURE.**—There will be a lecture delivered this (Wednesday) evening, in the 14th Ward Assembly Rooms, commencing at 8 o'clock. Subjects: Phonetics, Phonography, and the Objects of the Deseret Phonographic Society.

## THIS IS TO CERTIFY,

That MORGAN JAMES has been cut off from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, for stealing; also F. N. FRANCIS, for apostasy.

JOHN W. HESS.  
ARTHUR STAYNER.  
JOE NELLING.

**FROM THE PLAINS.**—On Saturday, shortly after noon, Bishop Sharp received the following telegram, notifying him that his train had been attacked by Indians;

Sulphur Springs, June 8, '67.

John Sharp:

Your train was attacked yesterday. Jensen from Ogden killed. Horses lost.

H. P. KIMBALL.

Some time after he received another telegram from his brother Adam, and his sons John and James, as follows:

Sulphur Springs, June 8, '67.

John Sharp:

We are here safe. The Indians attacked us last evening, captured our horses, and killed Christian Jensen from Brigham City.

ADAM, JOHN & JAMES.

There is some doubts as to who Christian Jensen is. Elder L. Snow informs us that no such person went from Brigham City; and none of the Missionaries bear that name. We have learned subsequently, through the courtesy of E. C. Pomeroy, Esq., Manager of the Telegraph Office in this city, that the train was camped two miles west of Waskie Station, and the night cattle guard of two men were out a mile from camp, with the stock, when the Indians attacked them, killed this one man, and run off four horses. They also run off four head of stage stock from Waskie Station. Waskie, or Washakie, Station is 11 miles west of Sulphur Springs, and 326 miles from this city.

Immediately after receiving the first telegram the Bishop telegraphed to his brother and sons to stop the train until Col. Kimball's mule train reached it, when they could travel together for better protection.

**DRILL AND INSPECTION.**—On Saturday last General R. T. Burton, Colonel McKean, and Lieut. Col. J. R. Winder visited Cottonwood, and at 2 p.m. drilled the militia from the southern part of this county, cavalry and infantry. Major Rawlins' battalion and Captain Bateman's company of cavalry, with Major Caspar's battalion and one company of Major Bennion's battalion of infantry mustered. The troops were drilled, reviewed and inspected, performed the evolutions in a highly creditable manner, and presented a soldier-like bearing. Steps were taken to increase the number of cavalry in that part of the county.

**IN FROM CACHE.**—President Ezra T. Benson of Cache Valley, and Judge Wm. Hyde from Hyde Park, reached the city on Friday evening, for a brief visit among us. They are well, and enjoying that Spirit which makes those who possess it feel buoyant and happy all the time. They report peace, prosperity and energy in Cache, with a fair proportion of grasshoppers nibbling around, but the faith of the people unmoved and their industry undismayed. God bless them; and all who strive to live in the light of the gospel. The waters are still high, but not doing any material damage.

**FROM THE NORTH.**—By br. Ira Allen, from Hyrum, Cache Valley, who reached the city on Thursday last, we learn that crops are looking well by the way down, though somewhat late in Cache. High waters still prevail. At Ogden the bridges over the Ogden river are good; but at the Weber the water passes round the levee some twenty rods on the west side of the bridge, where it runs deep enough to come half way up the wagon bed. All is peace and prosperity at Hyrum, with indications of a liberal share of grasshoppers when they all get fully hatched out.

**THE PAPER MILL.**—From a report by brother George Goddard, courteously furnished to us by the Historian's Office, we learn that the paper mill, during the first fifteen months after it was put in operation, consumed \$5,021 pounds of rags and produced 25,997 pounds of boards and paper of various qualities, the largest portion being printing-paper.

**ENTERPRISING.**—Passing the residence of James Townsend, Esq., on Monday, we noticed another addition to his new hotel, and stepping across were cordially greeted by "Uncle Jimmy" himself, who extended an invitation to walk in and view the premises. There was the hotel, rapidly approaching completion, glorying in a dining room sixty feet by thirty, and other apartments for culinary purposes, and the comfort and convenience of the public, of similar respectable proportions. Mr. Townsend is no novice at playing "mine host," and certainly is providing an excellent hotel for families and travelers.

**INFORMATION** is wanted by EDWARD BARKER of Lyonsdale, Louisiana, of his brother THOMAS BARKER, formerly of Oldham, England, and his wife CATHERINE, from whom he has not heard for twenty years. Thomas Barker is supposed to be in this Territory.

Also, by RICHARD YORK, Jacksonville, Morgan Co., Illinois, of HENRY and ESTHER MARRIOTT, who immigrated to Utah.

MRS. SMITH has just received Millinery goods and French flowers.

**TAX-PAYERS,** read notice of E. W. East, County Clerk.

SEE LISTS of Estrays.