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## ITEMS.

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY.

ADVERTISEMENTS.—We should have scarcely thought it necessary to mention that the fact of an advertisement appearing in our columns, does not necessarily carry with it our endorsement, had we not been told that some folks regard the advertisements as much the work of the editor as the leading article. We imagined it was everywhere understood, that when a merchant or any other person purchases a certain portion of the paper to specify his wants, or draw attention to his wares, that he has the right to do so in his own language, providing there be nothing contrary to morality and decency. That portion of the paper is his as long as he continues to pay for it. If any persons regard the advertisements or notices in the NEWS in any other light we wish to disabuse their minds of the error, and state we are not responsible, if in the never-ending search for bargains that so constantly fills some people's lives and takes up so much of their time, they get taken in because they have read some attractive notice of selling "below cost" or of "enormous sacrifices." A word to the wise is sufficient, etc.

SUNDAY SCHOOL EXCURSION.—Yesterday the children of the Sunday Schools of the Third and Fourth Wards, with their parents and friends, had a very pleasant trip to Calder's Farm and pleasure grounds. What with the boats, the dancing, singing swinging, and other amusements the boys and girls, both great and small, spent a very happy day.

POLICE.—John G. Johnson and D. W. Craig, charged with stealing a watch and a gun, both plead guilty and were fined \$80 each.

BIRMINGHAM.—We have just received the programme of a concert which took place at Birmingham, England on the 10th ult. Judging from the excellent and varied assortment of sentimental and comic songs, instrumental performances, recitations, dialogues, &c., and the talent of the performers, it would doubtless be a success. We notice by the programme, that the Birmingham semi-annual Conference of the Saints was held on the day previous, (the 9th). Birmingham, ever since the introduction of the gospel to that city, has been a nursery of the Saints. The branch numbers at present in the vicinity of 500 members; until lately there were two branches of the church there, the Oxford Street and Hockley branches; last fall, however, the two branches were consolidated under the presidency of Elder Charles Napper, who is well known to many of the Latter-day Saints as a staunch champion of the truth. The many friends of brother Napper in this Territory will be pleased to learn that himself and family expect to emigrate this coming fall.

THE ST. GEORGE HORSE THIEVES.—The Rio Virgin Times gives the following details of the movements of the horse thieves who escaped from St. George, the particulars of which appeared in the NEWS a few evenings since:

"We learn, from the mail carrier, that the three thieves, referred to in our last issue, went to Calville, wrenched four folding doors from their hinges, with which they formed a raft, left their horses and surplus luggage, and launched out upon the waters of the mad Colorado, but whether they were drowned, or crossed the river to travel

hundreds of miles through the country of Westiti Indians to Prescott, or whether they will follow down and try to reach Hardyville, it is not known. Two of the doors, a part of their raft, floated past Eldorado Canyon. If they escape water, famine, hostile Indians and the perils of an unknown desert, they will turn up somewhere and should be taken care of.

There is reason to believe that they gave their animals little rest or time to feed on the route between here and Calville, and as the horses were jaded and no chance to steal fresh ones, and they, in fear of their lives as all cowardly thieves are, made the desperate resolve to try and cross the Colorado on a frail raft, thus making pursuit about impossible.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY.

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.—We were pleased this morning to meet Major General W. S. Hancock, in command of the department of the North West. He is accompanied by his staff, consisting of Generals S. B. Holobird, A. Baird, and O. D. Green, and Col. J. H. Gillman, Capt. J. S. Wharton, Surg. J. E. Summers and Lieut. E. H. Totton.

General Hancock is now on his way to Montana, which territory is included in his department, but has left the direct line of travel for the purpose of visiting our world-renowned city. He expresses himself pleased with what he has seen since his arrival. The distinguished party called on President Young this morning and had a very pleasant interview. They will remain in this city until Saturday next.

TAYLOR'S MILLS.—On the evening of the 5th inst., things livened up a little at the "switch." A driver employed by Wells, Fargo & Co. and a driver of one of the opposition coaches, had a "fisticuff" round or two, after which a pistol put in its appearance and the affair was settled. Another man complains of having been garrotted and robbed of \$300.

CAUSE OF COMPLAINT.—The following letter needs little comment; the treatment received was a just cause of complaint, and should not be repeated often without pecuniarily injuring the parties complained of.

SALT LAKE CITY, June 7, 1869.

Ed. Deseret News.—I wish through your valuable paper to expose an imposition practiced upon travelers in your beautiful city. I engaged a seat for Ogden City in the 2 o'clock coach run by Colwell & Carver. After I had engaged and paid for this seat, they refused to carry me, alleging in excuse that they had chartered their coach to a party for the same day at 3 o'clock. As I found all the seats in Wells, Fargo & Co's coaches for that day engaged, I had no alternative but to remain here. Let others profit by my example.

Respectfully &c.,

J. L. JORNEGAN.

Counsel U. P. R. R.

SPANISH FORK.—Elder John Monk, writing from Spanish Fork, on the 7th inst., says:

The Co-operative Society, organized by Bishop Thurber, will commence business in a day or two in the new store lately occupied by Jarr's Miller; it has been neatly fitted up and is large enough for all the mercantile business this city will need for some time. We have four day schools, which are well attended, and a large Sabbath school. Our crops never looked better, the grasshoppers have done us but little damage, our prospect for fruit is excellent, good health prevails, and general prosperity attends us; all hands are busy and the natural resources here need double our number to develop them."

ST. GEORGE.—Elder John Oakley, writing from St. George, on the 29th ult., says:

"The weather is unusually wet and cool for this place. The wheat, grape and peach crops are very promising, and the apricots are nearly full grown. The grasshoppers have almost all left, having done considerable damage, but not so much as at Bennington, Harrisburg, Tokerville, Cedar and Parowan, where they have stripped the orchards of their fruit buds and foliage." He adds, "one of your correspondents wishes to know how to get rid of ants. Tell him to bury them, that is the plan I adopt. Bro. J. E. Johnson makes them up in adobies."

PETROLEUM AT BITTER CREEK.—The Omaha Herald of the 5th inst. says that it is enabled to lay before its readers the fact that that much abused country in the vicinity of Bitter Creek, generally considered worthless to man or beast, is one vast repository of Petroleum Oil, and that oil springs of considerable force are to be found profusely distributed through all the section between the Wind River Mountains north and the Uintah Mountains south of the Union Pacific Railroad. A considerable quantity of this oil, taken

from the surface of some water flowing from springs in the Bitter Creek country, was taken to Omaha and properly analyzed. The result was most satisfactory. Some gentlemen are now sinking a well at Bear River City and another about eight miles from Evanstown.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY.

GONE NORTH.—President Young, accompanied by W. Jennings, Esq., Vice President of the Utah Central Railroad Co., F. Little, Esq., Director, and J. A. Young, Superintendent of the road, left this city this morning on business connected with the best location of the road. President Wells, Elders W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, B. Young, Jr., W. H. Hooper and others will join President Young at Ogden, and with him will hold meetings at Ogden on Saturday and Sunday. After which they will proceed on a visit to the settlements in Rich and Cache Counties.

BAD FOR OMAHA.—The Omaha Herald calls for effective and decisive measures to be used to stem the torrent of crime that is overflowing that city. Murders, robberies, garrotings and bloody encounters are of almost daily occurrence. On the 4th inst., two men who had long been friends, named Stephen O'Donnell and Thomas Russell, had an off-hand, good-humored sparring bout, but O'Donnell getting a little the worse of it got mad and a short time after, without further provocation, when Russell was paying for some drinks, plunged a knife into his breast and again into his left side. Russell ran and procured a carving knife with which he inflicted a serious wound in O'Donnell's side. The fight was kept up for some time until the parties were both arrested, had their wounds dressed and were lodged in jail, where they both remained at last advices. It is probable O'Donnell may not recover.

RICH COUNTY.—Bro. Jonathan Pugnaire, of St. Charles, dropped into our sanctum this morning. He reports the crops in that district as a general thing looking splendid. There are a great many grasshoppers hatching out in some parts of the valley, but they had not done very much damage when he left. The health of the people is good, and the prospects bright for a good harvest.

TERRIFIC STORM IN VIRGINIA.—The Wheeling (Va.) Intelligencer, of May 29th, contains the particulars of a most terrific hail storm, which passed over that city on the previous afternoon. It appears that the day was very fine and warm until nearly 3 p.m., when a dark and heavy cloud, but a short distance from the earth, overcast the sky, which suddenly grew darker, while the close and stifling atmosphere was succeeded by a terrific blast which swept everything before it. The dust was so thick and blinding that nothing could be seen for a few seconds; but when the large and heavy drops of rain had laid the drifting dirt, the scene was one of terrible yet peculiar significance. Not a moment was allowed to merchants for removing the goods which were in the front of their stores, or the housekeepers for closing blinds, doors or shutters, and these moveables, with roofs, timbers, etc., were flying in every direction, as if an earthquake had shaken the city from her foundation. Horses attached to and disconnected from their vehicles were madly plunging through the thoroughfares, endangering life and limb to unfortunate pedestrians. In a moment or two the wind ceased and the rain changed to hail, which rattled against the windows for a moment and then perforated the glass as the lumps of congealed water grew in size. The sound upon the pavements and roofs was like the rapid firing of musketry, and so great was the force of the stones that shutters were smashed and even the window sashes broken and beaten to pieces. Not only this but the walls across the rooms from the windows were indented and the plastering in some cases, beaten off to the solid masonry.

When the storm was at its highest fury, the hailstones were of the size of a man's clenched fist, and solid as canister balls, which they very much resembled in appearance. They were in most cases nearly round, being slightly flattened on two sides like an apple, with smaller holes or indentations resembling the place where the stem joins the core, on one side.

In a few minutes the streets in the lower part of the city were covered to the depth of a foot with these wonderful balls of ice, and every window facing the north, from which direction the storm came, filled with broken panes.

In about twenty minutes the fury of the storm had passed, but the streets seemed like small rivers, bearing away boxes and debris on rapidly increasing currents. Here and there a large tree came floating

by with the stock in trade of a merchant mingled in its branches; carts and wagons were clinging to the lamp posts and convenient corners. The depth of the hail and water on main street, was over three feet, and the heaps of ice in places were nearly five feet high.

In about three quarters of an hour after the storm commenced it had ceased, and soon after the sun was again shining, the air warm and pleasant, and the sky as serene as though its tranquility had not for a moment been disturbed by one of the most terrible storms, whilst it lasted, that ever passed over that section of country.

OGDEN ITEMS.—We clip the following from yesterday's Daily Telegraph. On Tuesday, in the County Court of Weber Co., Hooper City, formerly "Musk Rat," was organized into a precinct and a school district, to be known as the Hooper City precinct and 16th School district. W. Pidcock, Esq., has sold out his entire stock of goods to the 2nd Ward Co-operative institute. . . . Another company of graders, in charge of Mr. J. Leavitt rolled out on Tuesday to commence work on the U. C. R. R. . . . A few days ago C. Millen met with a painful accident. While loading a breech-loading rifle, the gun exploded and shattered his right hand badly. One wad buried itself in the palm of his hand, and another passed through about the middle of his hand, he is however now doing well. . . . At North Ogden the crops look well, they have no locusts to bother them, the health of the people is good. The settlement has about twenty teams and twenty-five men engaged in grading on the "Utah Central."

## Died:

At Nephi, on the 21st of May, 1869, of scarlet fever, Annette Elizabeth, daughter of David and Caroline Webb, aged 8 years and 15 days.

In Farmington, Davis county, June 5, 1869, of teething and inflammation, Joseph Henry, son of D. and Josephine Oviatte, aged 9 months and 3 weeks.

In Provo City, on the 5th ult., Nathaniel Riggs, of neuralgia of the bowels.

Deceased was born at Newport, Cammell county, Kentucky, August 5, 1797. He was baptized Jan. 17, 1834, in Monroe county, Missouri, and soon after made a visit to Kirtland, Ohio where he met with the Prophet Joseph, and made arrangements to go up to Jackson county. He then returned home and when the Camp of Zion came along he joined it, on Salt River, Miss. He accompanied the Camp to Clay county, and afterwards shared with it the trials of the return journey, during which, through exposure and privation, he contracted disease which he carried to his grave. He came with the Church from Missouri and settled in Nauvoo; from thence to the Bluffs, in Iowa, and from the latter place to Salt Lake City in 1849. He moved to Provo City in 1851. He was taken sick December 1, 1868, and has endured a great deal of pain and misery for the last five months. He went to sleep rejoicing in the new and everlasting Covenant.—Corr.

In this city on the 8th instant at 7 p.m. of inflammation on the lungs, Gilbert John, only son of John S. and Mary Eliza Lindsay, aged 5 months and 11 days.

The first, the first; Oh! nought like it  
Our after years may bring,  
For summer hath no flowers so sweet  
As those of early spring.  
The early storm that strips the tree,  
Still wildest seems and worst,  
What'er hath been again may be,  
But never as at first.

For many a bitter blast may blow  
O'er life's uncertain wave,  
And many a thorny thicket grow  
Between us and the grave.  
But darker still the spot appears  
Where thunder clouds have burst  
Upon our green unlighted years—  
No grief is like the first.

At St. George, on the 13th ult., of scarlet fever, Tuyiza, daughter of John and Louisa Oakley, aged 6 years, 11 months and 13 days; also on the 20th ult., at the same place, and of the same disease, John Jones, brother of the above, aged 4 years and 5 months.

W. H. Hooper, H. S. Eldredge, L. S. Hills

HOOPER, ELDREDGE & Co.,

BANKERS,

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

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## WOOL CARDING

AT BRIGHAM CITY.

HAVING purchased a good Double Carding Machine, in addition to our former one, we will be able this season to do Carding with promptness and dispatch. People from a distance can have their Wools to take home with them after the 10th of May. Good work warranted. d188-4 w18-6 A. NORTON, Carder