

LOCAL NEWS.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, MAY 23.

Suicide.—James Gibson, a respected citizen of Ashley's Fork, Uintah County, committed suicide on the 21st inst., by shooting himself with a Winchester rifle. Death was instantaneous. No cause is assigned for the deed.

Deputy Registrars.—The following deputy registrars were appointed by the Utah Commission to-day:

A. B. Shepherd and F. C. Scham for Ogden, Weber County; Norman Taylor, for Moab, Emery County, vice O. W. Warner, resigned; Peter Allen, Bluff City, San Juan County, vice Jas. A. Lyman, resigned.

Came to Utah.—This morning Edward MacDonald and eight others arrived in this city from Kansas. The company comprises the whole of the Saints of the Meridian Line Branch, located near Solomon City, Kansas. It is their intention to locate for the present at Elsinore, Sevier County, and they are awaiting the arrival of their luggage. Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald resided in the Twenty-first Ward for a short time about 16 years since.

Articles Filed.—To-day the Courier Mining Company filed their articles of incorporation with Secretary A. L. Thomas. The company will carry on the business of mining, milling and smelting gold, silver, lead, copper and other ores, in this Territory, and their principal place of business will be in Salt Lake City. The directors are: Royd Park, president; J. A. Hunter, vice-president; J. C. Conklin, treasurer; F. O. Horn, secretary; F. J. Heriman.

Cruelty to Animals.—Ed. Christensen was arrested this afternoon on a charge of cruelty to animals. Yesterday he hired a horse and buggy from Thomson and Jurgenson's livery stable. The animal ran away with him according to his statement, but he succeeded in getting it under control, and returned the outfit last evening, paying for its use. During the night the horse died, and Mr. Christensen, on being asked to pay the value of the animal, \$125, refused, and complaint was made against him in the Justice's Court. He will have a hearing on Monday.

Bigamy.—Mrs. Louie Smith Patten has filed in the County Court an application for a decree of divorce from George C. Patten. The complainant alleges that on the 13th of November, 1878, she was married to Patten, at Helena, Montana, he having at that time, a living and undivorced wife, which fact was then unknown to the complainant; that the defendant has treated her with extreme cruelty, has continuously used the most abusive language to her, causing great mental distress; and that he has made threats against her life. She asserts that Patten is engaged in drugging, and for the above reasons asks that a decree of divorce be granted, and that defendant be required to pay the costs of court, counsel fees, and alimony to the complainant.

Releases and Appointments.—The last issue of the *Millennial Star* received contains the following, which will doubtless interest the friends of the parties mentioned who reside hereabouts:

"Elder Thomas Sleight is appointed President of the Manchester Conference; Elder Robert Marshall is released from his labors in Ireland, and appointed to labor in the Newcastle Conference; Elder John Humphreys is released from the Manchester and appointed to labor in the Nottingham Conference; Elder Francis Greenwell is released from the Irish Mission and appointed to labor in the Nottingham Conference; Elder James McMurrin is appointed to reside in the Irish mission; Elder William D. Salter is released from his labors in the Bristol conference on account of ill health, and will return home with the company which leaves Liverpool May 16th."

Another Arrest.—Last evening, as Alfred Best, whose residence is at Mill Creek, in this county, was starting on his way home from a visit of himself and a portion of his family to his mother-in-law's, in this city, Deputy Marshal Collins served a warrant of arrest upon him, for unlawful cohabitation. Those who were with him were also subpoenaed to appear as witnesses. He was taken before Commissioner McKay, where the complaint was read, charging him with committing the offense of cohabiting with Margaret Oakley Best, Amanda Conk Best and Eliza Conk Best, as his wives, between the 1st of June, 1882, and the 19th of May, 1885. The preliminary examination was waived, and the witnesses bound over in \$200 bonds to appear and testify before the grand jury this morning.

Mr. Best's bail was fixed at \$1,000. Messrs. David L. Davis and Royal Barney signing the bonds.

The alleged plural wives were not brought before the Commissioner as witnesses, but later in the evening were subpoenaed to appear before the grand jury, which they did this morning.

A Destroyer of Caterpillars.—A gentleman from Lehi informs us that a couple of weeks ago birds of a variety heretofore unknown in that locality, appeared in large flocks in the orchards of Lehi and vicinity, and commenced a raid upon the vermin which has been attacking the fruit trees there. These feathered visitors are described as being about the size of black birds,

with dark brown backs and wings, yellow breasts and having very broad bills. From early dawn until about 8 or 9 o'clock in the morning they busy themselves among the trees, seizing the leaves on which caterpillars, green lice or other vermin have collected, in their mouths, tearing them off, and after devouring every insect, dropping the leaves. The result at the place named is that during the last two weeks the pest has almost entirely disappeared.

Quite a number of the same kind of birds have also made their appearance at Mill Creek and other places in this country, and a few can be seen in the orchards in the Seventh Ward of this city, engaged in similar employment. Citizens have no reason to cease opposing the ravages of the insects in view of their possible annihilation by the birds; on the contrary they should do all in their power to assist in the good work, and, above all, they should endeavor to protect our welcome visitors in their commendable labors from destruction or annoyance, especially by boys and "flippers."

THE CATECHIZATION

OF APPLICANTS FOR CITIZENSHIP.

The manner in which Associate Justice Powers, Judge of the First Judicial District, catechizes applicants for citizenship has been commented upon to a considerable extent. That none may have a wrong impression upon the subject, we give the process in full, as obtained from the columns of our local cotemporary, the Ogden Herald:

The Court—How long have you been in this country?

Applicant—Nearly 20 years.

How old are you?

Thirty-two.

You came here when you were 12 years old. From what country?

Denmark.

Where do you live now?

In Bear River City.

What is your business?

Tanning.

Do you like this country?

Yes, sir.

Like its laws?

Yes, sir.

Are you obeying its laws at the present time?

Yes, sir.

Are you attached to the principles of the Constitution of this country?

Yes, sir.

If you are admitted as a citizen, do you propose to obey the laws?

Yes, sir.

Of course; when a man becomes a citizen of this country, he must obey the laws, no matter what they are.

To one of the witnesses: How long have you known him?

As long as he has been in the country.

Has he been a good peaceable citizen—a good, honest man?

Yes, sir.

You think he will make a good citizen?

Yes, sir.

Such a man as we ought to have?

Yes, sir.

To the other witness: Do you know his reputation?

It was as good as any man's.

Good, upright, straightforward man?

Yes, sir.

You believe he will obey the laws of this country?

Yes, sir.

To the two applicants—Are either of you gentlemen living in polygamy?

No, sir.

To the Clerk: You may admit them.

Now, gentlemen, I want to say a word or two. You have become citizens of this country where you get certain rights and privileges you did not have before. For instance, if you were to go to the old country and the government was to put you in prison wrongfully, it would be the duty of this country, and it would do it, to expend its money and send its men to protect you as citizens of this country. This country is becoming one of the greatest upon the earth, and the strongest. And the country expects something from you. It expects you to become good, industrious, honest and law-abiding. You are here in a free land where every man has some show, and if you will you can have happiness and prosperity. I asked you one question as to whether you were living in polygamy. A great many people think this is right. Perhaps you think it is not right to ask that question. Now there is a law against this, and some people do not know there is a law. It is in force in this Territory. Whether the law is right or wrong, it is not my purpose to question, it is to be executed. So I said that to you for your own information. And I expect you to live the laws and assist your neighbors.

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DECORATION DAY.

MEMORIAL SERVICES AND OTHER EXERCISES.

Saturday was generally observed in the city as a holiday, nearly all business being suspended. Many pleasure resorts in and near the city were provided with special attractions for the occasion, and were visited by numerous throngs during the day. The leading feature of the occasion, however, were the memorial exercises at Fort Douglass, under the auspices of the J. B. McKean Post of the G. A. R.

At 9:30 a. m. a large procession was formed at the Opera House and marched direct to the Fort Douglass Cemetery, being joined at the Post limits by the Sixth Infantry, under the command of Gen. McCook. The numerous company congregated around the large monument erected in memory of the California volunteers, and after being called to order, prayer was offered by Rev. T. C. Illiff, Chaplain of the day.

A brief address was then given by Post Commander Frank Hoffman. Capt. E. M. Bynon, officer of the day, after an appropriate speech in behalf of his comrades, decorated the monument with wreaths, anchors, crosses, etc., made of beautiful flowers, after which the assembly retired while a salute of three rounds of musketry was fired by the Sixth Infantry. The other graves and monuments were profusely decorated, after which the procession re-formed and went to the grand stand at the Post, where the exercises were continued.

After music by the band, prayer was offered by Rev. J. B. Thrall. Comrade F. M. Bishop sang, "As We Go Marching along," the members of the G. A. R. joining in the chorus.

A somewhat lengthy, though well-written address was delivered by Rev. T. C. Illiff, in which he attempted to show that throughout all nature, and particularly in man, a higher state is never evolved from a lower one except by a death struggle. To illustrate his idea he referred both to the vegetable and animal kingdoms, showing how one series of plants springs up and thrives on the decayed remains of the previous year's growth, which had been killed by winter's frosts. Higher types of animal life also grow and develop upon the lower forms who become their victims. He next reviewed the history of human liberty, in which is displayed the same law. Each principle was developed amid a struggle of death and carnage, but was finally victorious. In making the immediate application of the principle, he stated that the late civil war was simply one of these struggles in which the liberty of a race was evolved from its former state of slavery. He regretted that so much blood was shed, but regarded the conflict and its result, as inevitable, being the effect of this universal law. The South necessarily failed, as it was fighting against human advancement. He closed the address by paying a tribute of respect and honor to the fallen braves and their mothers, wives and sisters, all of whom shared in the great sacrifice of the nation.

The band then preformed "Recollections of the War" in which were represented various military features including drum and bugle calls, the rattle of musketry and the roar of cannon.

The company then adjourned to Mount Olivet Cemetery where they decorated the graves and monuments of the dead who are buried there. This closed the memorial services, until 8 o'clock in the evening when a large company convened at the Opera House, which was decorated for the occasion.

After music by the band and prayer by Comrade T. Lincoln, the following programme was carried out.

An address in honor of the fallen dead by Gov. Murray; a song, "Barbara Freitchie," Mrs. Newcombe, with organ accompaniment by Prof. Krouse; a reading, illustrated by a beautiful tableau, Mrs. M. M. Bane; address, E. T. Sprague; extemporaneous speech, W. W. Woods; a reading, "Our Glorious Dead," Miss Ida Hitchcock.

Another selection by the band concluded the memorial exercises of the day, and the assembly dispersed.

AT WASHINGTON SQUARE.

The largest company of spectators that has been seen at Washington Square during the season was present on Saturday and greatly enjoyed the varied athletic contest announced to take place on that occasion. The sports commenced at 10 a. m. and lasted the remaining portion of the day.

In the base ball match between the Reds and McCooks, the result of the contest was made apparent almost from the outset, as the former clearly showed their superior skill and prowess. After nearly two and a half hours' playing, the game ended with a score of 13 to 3 in favor of the Reds.

The cricket match between the local club and the Almy (Wyo.) eleven, which lasted from 10 a. m. until nearly 2 p. m., and resulted in a victory for the Salt Lake boys. The score stood as follows: Almy, first inning, 22; second

inning 21. Salt Lake, first inning, 40. It was not necessary for them to play a second inning. The Bicycle racing commenced shortly after 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and lasted less than one hour. Great interest was manifested in the different contests, some of which were remarkably close. There were four classes of contests, two gold and two silver medals being awarded to the successful competitors. The first was won by Wm. Woods who succeeded in running a mile in 3:03 minutes, arriving at the end of that distance about two feet ahead of T. O. Angell, Jr., who was running for the same prize. Joseph Woods won the second medal; F. G. Brooks the third, and C. E. Johnson the fourth.

Various other places were visited by pleasure seekers, the principal ones being the Lake, Fuller's Hill, and Lindsay's Gardens, where large numbers spent the day in various kinds of amusements and enjoyments. The excursions north and south were also liberally patronized.

REPORT

OF THE DELEGATION APPOINTED BY THE MASS MEETINGS TO PRESENT THE DECLARATION OF GRIEVANCES AND PROTEST.

The following report has been forwarded to the Saints for their action thereon. At the regular Sunday afternoon meeting in the Tabernacle in this city, yesterday, May 31st, it was unanimously adopted by the large congregation assembled:

To the Latter-day Saints in the several Stakes of Zion, Greeting:

The delegation appointed by the Mass Meetings to proceed to Washington and present your Declaration of Grievances and Protest to the President of the United States, respectfully report that they left for Washington on Monday May 4, where they arrived the next Friday evening, and succeeded in getting an interview with the President on Wednesday, May 13th. The following mostly made up from the report of the interview furnished the newspapers by the Associated Press, gives a full and correct account of what was said and done: