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# THE CELEBRATION, YESTERDAY

YESTERDAY was the day appointed for the laying of the last rail of the Utah Central Railroad. The weather was very cold, and a heavy fog and rime frost prevailed until long past midday. grades assembling on the depot block.

Shortly after noon a salute of three one and two o'clock the train containate preparations were made for the performance of the ceremonies of the thousand.

ing gentlemen :---

Of the Utah Central: Brigham Young, President: Wm. Jennings, Vice Presi- have sustained several Indian wars, and dent; D. H. Wells, Christopher Layton now we have built thirty-seven miles works, as a people, are investigated, the cient and permanent element, good and and Feramors Little, Directors; Joseph of railroad. A. Young, General Superintendent; cities, our counties and the Territory in having (cheers). I hope that the last John W. Young, Secretary; also Fresi- debt? No, not the first dollar. But the dent Geo. A. Smith, and the following question may be asked, is not the Utah members of the quorum of the Twelve Apostles: President Orson Hyde, John Taylor, Orson Pratt, Wilford Wood-ruff, C. C. Rich, Lorenzo Snow, F. D. Lord Almighty. What are the causes Richards, Geo. Q. Cannon, Brigham of our success in all this? Union and Young, jr., and Joseph F. Staith. C. P. R. R. Conductor, Utah Division; this commendable work, and the people J. Forbes, Esq., General Freight Agent, of this Territory are also asking to be vision Superintendent, Utah Division, C. P. R. R.; C. C. Quin, Esq., Master we have one. Let all in favor of it say Mechanic, U. P. R. R.; T. B. Morris, "Aye" A unanimous "Aye" from the Esq., Engineer, Utah Division, U. P. R. assembled thousands was the response. and S. Edwards, Esqrs., Agents, U. P. in grading so many miles of their road. R. R.; G. B. Blackwell, Esq., Agent But let me say, if they had paid us ac-

out the nation. These favors and blessings we ask in the name of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer.

Amen.

The following Speech was read by Hon. Geo. Q. Cannon, on behalf of:

PRESIDENT B. YOUNG.

Whilst joining in the pleasing ceremonies of this eventful and auspicious

day, our minds naturally revert to the circumstances which led this people to undertake their weary, but hopeful journey across the desert plains and rugged mountains to these, then sterile valleys-to our condition at the time of our advent here, poor, and destitute of the common necessities of life: driven This, however, did not prevent a large from our homes and possessions and concourse of citizens of all ages and bereft of all that makes life comfortable in consequence of our faith in God and in His Son Jesus Christ, and our obediguns was fired as a signal for the hoist- friend in this wide world to whom we ing of flags from the various business could look for help, except God our places throughout the city. Between heavenly father alone, on whom we could rely.

Since the day that we first trod the ing the invited guests from Ogden and soll of these valleys, have we received the North hove in sight, and immedi- any assistance from our neighbors? No, we have not. We have built our homes, our cities, have made our farms, have dug our canals and water ditches, day. The citizens assembled by this have subdued this barren country, have time numbered not less than filteen fed the stranger, have clothed the naked, have immigrated the poor from foreign lands, have placed them in a condition On the platform car were the follow- to make all comfortable and have made some rich. We have fed the Indians to the amount of thousands of dollars yearly, have clothed them in part, and

All this having been done, are not our

central Railroad in debt? Yes, but to none but our own people. Who has helped us to do all this?

oneness of purpose in the Lord.

Having by our faith and unaided Of the Union and Central Pacific labors accomplished the work and Roads: J. E. McEwin, Esq., Master Me- achieved the triumph, which we to-day chanie C. P. R. R.; G. Cornwell, Esq., Government to sanction our labors in C. P. R. R.; James Campbell, Esq., Di- admitted as a sovereign State into the Union, with all the rights and privileges of a State Government: and I move R.; Chas. Carr, Esq., Asst. Supt., Utah Division, U. P. R. R.; J. McCormick Gr not paying us for the work we did,

I hope that we shall soon see the day when the "iron horse" will not only does to-day, with San Francisco in the them. West, and Beston and New York and all the principal cities of the East, but that there may soon be a chain of railways extending to every city in Utah and through our neighboring Territo-ries of the rocky Mountains.

A salute of one gun and music by

martial band, were followed by a speech from Superintendent of the Utah Central Railroad,

### JOSEPH A. YOUNG.

I can say to you who hear me to-day, that speaking is not my forte,-the part I have taken in connection with the building of this railroad has been the working part and not the speaking part. But I feel proud to-day that I have lived to witness the consummation of this great event in our history as a people. When we came into these valleys, over twenty years ago, barefooted, almost without clothing, with-

out provisions, trusting on the arm of God for aid and protection, we found the country barren and desolate, and we have need to be thankful to our Heavenly Father that we have lived to take part in the laying of the last rail and the driving of the last spike of the commercial standpoint, that has ever Utah Central Railroad. I consider it something that we, as a people, may justly be proud of. We have been accused of being exclusive. Where is our cation with the world at large. Wit exclusiveness now? We invite the the advent of this most auspicious and East and the West and the North and the South to come up to Zion and learn higher we stand in the estimation of bad, than has ever been seen before; but those whose good opinion is worth spike of this road will be but the first this place to the cotton country (Dixie) and I trust to live to see the day when every nook and place in this Territory, of isolation are now for ever past, we that is capable of sustaining human thank God for it. Our people, by their beings, will be settled with good, honest, unity, and the practice, in days past, of hardworking people, and that the same will be accessible by railroad, that we may travel from one settlement to another and carry our passengers in comfortable cars; and thus show those Salute of one gun and music by Tenth Ward brass band.

COL. B. O. CARR, of the Union Pacific line was then introduced to make the advent of railroads will bring aspeech. After presenting the regrets of Superintendent Meade, at his inabil- the future can not but effect results still ity to be present, the following remarks more marvellous and praiseworthy were made by

quietude that we have enjoyed for the many years that we have dwelt in these valleys of the mountains. Continue thy blemings, O God, we beseech thee unto the inhabitants here and through-during the past summer, and I am hap-py to be able to say that they have la-bored contentedly and with a spirit I hope that we shall soon see the day Mr. Campbell, Superintendent of the Utab Division of the Central Pacific was next introduced, and made a short, and we are informed a very good speech, but place us in direct communication, as it inaudible and we were unable to report a gallery had been erected for the or-

> Speeches were expected from Hons. G. A. Smith, D. H. Wells and Geo. Q. Cannon; the former requested to be excused on account of indisposition; the cool weather.

Benediction was pronounced by Elder H. W. Naisbitt, and the immense concourse of spectators quickly dispersed. The following Toasts and Sentiments were handed in:

Utah Central Railroad extends her iron hand of welcome to the East and

West. Our Railroad-The first fruits of th Marriage of the Oceans.

Pres. B. Young-Our Pioneer in Peace, Art and Science, and all that is the true wealth of Utah.

The U. C. R. R .- May her last tie soon be bedded on the soil of the State of Deseret.

Thus ended the celebration of the most important event, considered from a transpired in Utah Territory. Our chief city now enjoys steam communithe advent of this most auspicious and the advantages that will accrue thereof isolation are now for ever past, we the virtues that most adorn human na-

ture, while contending with almost un- up till a late hour. heard of obstacles and difficulties, have performed a work which has elicited who want to know, what we are doing. the most unqualified need of praise the most unqualified need of praise was filled and "promenade all" was the from honorable men and women of all order, such a circling and moving and nations who have visited us; with the increase of facilities of every kind that

> the same unity and untireing energy in That such may be the case, and that all sired them.

Mr. Campbell, Superintendent of the wings put to flight, the borders covered up, and the mimic ball-room of the drama became a monster one, where we are informed a very good speech, but two hundred gaily disposed persons could glide through the mazes of the dance. In the front of the dress circle hestra, which was decorated with the National Red, White and Blue. The proscenium curtain was also neatly draped with the same colors, while the side-light boxes, on the stage, were covered in a tasteful manner, red and white intertwined, the national colors two latter were excused because of the surmounting them. The back of the length of the exercises and the very stage was finely carpeted and formed into a recess for ladies, being seated with sofas and lounges, and fronted by a beautiful palace column scene. The green room was also luxuriously fur-nished for ladies, with lounges and sofas; the Grand Piano occupying its old place in the south-east part of the room.

The assemblage was a brilliant one, the guests having been invited without respect to party or opinion. As Jenkins does not do duty on the NEWS, our readers will pardon an omission of his peculiar kind of description of the ladies' toilets. The fair wearers were lovely and happy-looking, and did not seem to care a snap for Cul-lom's bill, or any threatened invasion of their rights to live and honor the

man of their choice. Among the prominent gentlemen present we noticed Presidents Brigham Pacific and Central Pacific who were at the ceremonies in the afternoon, a great of her ways. The more our actions and expect a much larger influx of the trans- now in session; a number of Federal officers; General Gibbon and several. officers from Camp Douglas; and our bad, than has ever been seen before; but principal merchants; with the Muni-thé result we fear not, believing that cipal authorities of Ogden and spike of this road will be but the first of the next, which shall extend from this place to the cotton country (Dixie) and I trust to live to see the day when with them, and as these, at times, occupied the seats in the dress circle, or other parts of the building, they formed a parterre of beauty and worth. The enjoyment was genuine and was kept

> The full length of floor was divided into twenty-five circles, each serving for a set of eight; and when the floor intervening took place as almost to make one's head feel as if it, too, were promenading the grand.

> Up stairs the rear of the stage gallery was very artistically arranged by a disposition of tasteful scenery, comforts were dispensed to all who de-

our labors and facilities may be used The several committees connected

Utah convened at the City Hall, which had been furnished for the purpose by Hon. S. A. Mann, Secretary and acting Governor of the Territory. After the Secretary of the last Session of the Council, Patrick Lynch. Esq., and the clerk of the last Session of the House, R. L. Campbell, Esq., had called the roll and found that quorums were present, a committee from the Council and one from the House were appointed to wait upon the Hon. Secretary to notify him that the members were ready to have the oath administered. The cus. tomary oath was shortly afterwards administered by the Secretary to the members of the House and Council, and afterwards to the officers, when they were elected.

Hon. G. A. Smith was unanimously elected President of the Council; Patrick Lynch Esq., Secretary; C. W. Stayner, Esq, Assistant Secretary: Elder Joseph Young, sen. Chaplain: John D. T. McAllister, Sergeant-atarms; Charles W. Carrington, Messen. ger; Alonzo E. Hyde, Foreman.

The following gentlemen were elected officers of the House:

Hon. Orson Pratt, Speaker: Robert L. Campbell, Clerk; John H. Smith, As-sistant Clerk: Abinadi Pratt, Engrossing Clerk; Franklin Merril, Sergeant-

like committee on the part of the House to wait upon the Governor, to inform long desired event, we may naturally many of the members of the Legislature him that the 19th annual session of the Legislative Assembly of Utah Territory had been organized, and that they would be ready, in general session, at 2 o'clock p.m. to-day to receive any communication which His Excellency had to make. Kaysville, and a number of leading George Q. Cannon and Moses Thatcher were the committee on the part of the Council; and John Taylor, Joseph F. Smith and Jonathan C. Wright were chosen as a like committee on the part of the House.

An adjournment then took place until 1 o'eloek to-day.

## For the DISERET EVENING NEWS. MINUTES of a LADIES' MASS MEETING

Held in Society Hall, Fiftcenth Ward, Salt Lake City, at 4 o'clock p.m., Jun 6th, 1870.

Meeting opened by prayer by Mrs. R. Jones.

Mrs. S. M. Kimball, by unanimous a disposition of tasteful scenery, vote, was appointed to preside over the meeting; Miss S. E. Rusself was elected Secretary.

Mrs. Kimball stated that the object of MR. CARR. our labors and facilities may be used. The several committees connected the meeting by saying: "We have met with the celebration and the ball are to express our feelings in relation to the to all of you, but to us who are stran-Great Supreme, for the acceleration of able character of their arrangements for the admir-Congress. She spoke of the part our forefathers had taken in the great struggle of '76-how they had suffered and bled for the principles of civil and religious liberty; said she felt that we should be unworthy of the names we bear and tion for the resumption of the drama. of the blood in our vetns, should we longer remain silent while such an infamous Bill was before the House of Representatives-a Bill, the object of which, if attained, would reduce our husbands, sons and brothers to menia serfs, &c. Mrs. Kimball called for al vote of all who were in favor of entering a protest against said Bill.

Pullman's Palace Cars; Walter McKay, Esq., Cashler, U. P. R. R.

Col. F. Anderson, Special Correspondent of the New York Herald, occupied a seat at the Reporters' table.

From Camp Douglas: Gen. Gibbons, Col. Hancock, Col. Spencer, Capt. Hollister, Major Benham, Lieut, Sanno, Lieut, Coolidge, Lient, Benson, I aut up from St. George apain, 1, Benson, 1 au no one in Salt Landeut. o fir fut, Lieudew FLORFNCE homs raffan, Ineut. Wright.

The Camp Douglas, Capt. Croxall's and Tenth Ward Brass Bands, also, Captain Beezeley's martial band were in attendance.

The last spike was driven by President Young. A large steel mallet avas used Lawson, It was elegantly chased; on the top there was engraved a bee-hive, surmounted by the inscription "Holibee-hive were the letters U. C. R. R. The spike, made of home-made iron, manufactured by the late N. V. Jones, was ornamented like the mallet, and was also the work of Brother Lawson.

Just before the ceremony of laying the last rail commenced, the sun, which, during the whole day, had been completely concealed by clouds, burst forth with unclouded brilliancy, as if determined to enhance the general joy by his genial rays.

After the performance of the ceremony, which took place about pine minutes past two o'clock, a salute of thirty-seven guns,-one for each mile of the road, was fired, when Captain Croxall's brass band burst forth with their enlivening strains, after which following response was made by the following prayer was offered by

ELDER WILFORD WOODRUFF.

O, God, our Eternal Father, we have assembled on this occasion to celebrate

cording to agreement, this road would not have been graded, and this track would not have been laid to-day. It is all right.

To our friends of the Union and Central Pacific Railroads, we offer our congratulations on their success in their mighty enterprise. Receive our thats for your kindness to our company; for, so far as Ihave learned, you have refused na no favor. Let us be one in sustaining

ery laudable undertaking for the ben efit of the human family; and I thank the Companies for their kindness to us, as companies, as superintendents, as engineers, as conductors, etc.

I also thank the brethren who have aided to build this, our first railroad. They have acted as Elders of Israel, and what higher praise can I accord to them, for they have worked on the

Young. A large steel mallet avas used road, they have graded the track, they on the occasion, made by Mr. James have laid the rails, they have finished the line, and have done it cheerfully "without purse or scrip."

Our work is not one for individual benefit, but it is an aid to the developness to the Lord." Underneath the ment of the whole country, and tends to

great republic, join in the celebration of this happy day. May the blessing of Heaven rest up-

on us all.

Telegrams expressing regret at their inability to accept the invitation of President Young to be present at the celebration, were read from Governor Stanford, President, A. M. Towne, Esq., General Superintendent, and S. S. Montague, Esq., Chief Engineer, of .he Central Pacific Road.

Music from the Camp Douglas Band.

The Vice President of the Utah Central, being called upon for a speech, the

#### WM. JENNINGS. 6.1.3

Ladies and gentlemen : I stand be-fore you this day with feelings in my breast which I feel myself inadequate one of the greatest and grandest events to express. I am proud that I am a cit-of the generation in which we live, and izen of Utah, and that I am participat-we offer up the gratitude of our hearts, ing with you in the celebration of laywith thanksgiving, for thy merciful and protecting care that has been over us. When we were led into these val-leys, by thy servant Brigham, twentying the last rail and driving the last that the last spike in the fast rail of the ing men of Utah built and own this Utah Central is constructed of our na- road. two years ago, we found them a perfect desert, inhabited only by wild beasts, and a few red men who roamed over the plains. To-day we behold teeming thousands of the Anglo-Saxon race, tive iron ; but more because of the won- I have said one thing, and I want to the Utah Central."many of whom have assembled here to celebrate the completion of a line of railroad into this city, which has opened up commerce between us and all the world. Thou hast euabled thy Saints, who have gathered here from the nations of the earth, to fill these valleys is remembered that we have not had the of the mountains with 600 miles of cit-ies, towns, villages, gardens, orchards and fields, and the desert has been made to blossom as the rose. We should that the Utah Central is the result of witness and take part in the celebration

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gers, it is more an occasion of wonderment than anything else. We, who have come recently from the East. this in this country. It is something like forty years since the first railroad wee Land in the United States, and twenty years ago there were only six thousand miles laid in all this vast country; but when the Union and Central Pacific lines were completed there were over GRIPHER miles. The Utah Cen-

tral railroad, although only thirty-seven or thirty-eight miles long, is per-haps the only railroad west of the Missouri river that has been built entirely without Government subsidies; it has been built solely with money wrung happy crowds bent on continuing the from soil which, a few years ago, we used to consider a desert, by the strong arms of the men and women who stand before me. And almost everything, event of the day. used in its construction but especially the last spike is the product of the coun-

Your Superintendent, Mr. Young, said that you are not an exclusive people; but I think, ladies and gentlemen, that you are very much so, so far as the Western country is concerned, in accomplishing so much as you have with light; gay colored Chinese lanterns so little means and so few advantages swing to and fro; and transparencies to do it. [Great cheering]

All that I have to say further, in regard to exclusiveness, is that I cannot imagine how any man, whether 'Mormon,' 'Gentile,' saint or sinner, can do other than feel happy at the completion of this road. I wish it Dablor & Co's hanks: Welltor Bros the utmost success on its journey to the far South.

Salute of one gun, and music by Capt. Croxall's Brass Band.

Chief Engineer of the Western Divi sion of the U. P. R. R. was introduced. and addressed the assembly.

### T. B. MORBIS, ESQ.

I have but one word to say to the working men of Utah, and that I would say briefly. I have been fifteen years fully designed transparent screen, which engaged in railroad business; but I have bore the device of three locomotives. never seen a single road made to which that on the left hand bearing the incapitalists did not contribute their money, or the responsibility of which did not fall upon the Government or the right hand "Atlantic," while the center State in which said road was made. But one was "Utah." Underneath was the here, nearly forty miles of railroad have been built, every shovel full of dirt of which has been removed by the working men af Utah, and every bar of the iron the motto "Utah's Great Enterprise,

rails to-day, they stuck out a little. That means-"Go On."

Salute of one gun, and music by Camp Douglas Band, succeeded by the following remarks from

## HON. JOHN TAYLOR:

purposes and the triumph of His King- carried out. never expected to find anything like dom upon the earth is our earnest desire and prayer.

THE FESTIVITIES LAST. NIGHT.

With the approach of night the crowds of people who had witnessed the ceremonies at the laying of the last rail, having refreshed and rested a short time, again put in an appearance, and very soon the streets were alive with festivity, and showing by their presence their feelings with regard to the

The illumination commenced about six o'clock, but it was not until about seven that it showed to the best advantage. Windows sparkled in the distance with innumerable candles which in the aggregate flooded the streets with swing to and fro; and transparencies nia previous to starting for the fareff east, with appropriate mottoes shone conspiciously at different points. The City Dahler & Co's banks; Walker Bros store; and Kimball & Lawrence's were conspicuous among the places illuminated. Stretching across East Temple St. from the Eagle Emporium, was a transparency having on the north side "Hail to Utah Central," and on the south side, "Welcome the Great Highway," The window of the Eagle Emporium, Co-operative Institution, had a beautiscription "Pacific," the one on the motto "The Utah Central R. R. extends her iron hand of sincere welcome to the East and West." The design and tre, had a neat little transparency with

The DESERET NEWS office was conspicuous with its mottoes and transpar- life. Some time ago, accompanied by Mrs. encies; and though we are not in the habit of boasting, we think it had no ri-val in this respect. It; mottoes were, "Brigham Young-Pioneer of the Press, Telegraphy, and Bailroading;' "The Pioneer Paper welcomes the Pioneer Railroad;" "Salt Lake now-Dix-ie next;" "Welcome the first Loco-motive;" "Utah stretches her arms to the two Oceans;" "The U. P' R. R. and C. P. R. R. -feeders of the Utah Cen-ie the two Oceans is the Utah Cen-

tole character of their arrangements His cause, the consummation of His and the manner in which they were

To-night and to-morrow night there will be again balls in the Theatre, before it is restored to its former condi-

# DEATH OF BISHOP C. W. WEST.

It is with feelings of no ordinary regret that we announce this morning the death of Bishop Chauncey W. West. So well and widely is he known that this information will excite the sympathy of many thousands of faithful Latter-day Saints for a man who was always faithful, ever dignified in his course and honorable in his actions. He embraced the gospel when young, and held a name honored among the Saints during his whole course of life from his connection with the church Called on a mission to Siam and the East Indies when Elders were being sent to almost every nation of the earth, he fulfilled it with zeal and devotedness, laboring in the ministry for some time in Califorand also on his return. His brethren who were in the East Indies under the trying circumstances which attended that mission know how wholesouledly he labored while absent upon it.

Another foreign mission was assigned him to Europe in 1862, where for a time he had the watch care of the churches in that hemisphere, and endeared himself to the many whom he blessed with his teachings and presence. But it was in Ogden and Weber Counties that his labors were principally directed, and there the fruits of his large, active brain are seen on every hand. He was a man of boundless hospitality; the servants of God, but as well to hundreds who had no claim ppon his hospitality. He saw the growth [before Ogden, and his mind was full of plans for its future prosperity and importance.

After having labored faithfully on the Central Pacific Railroad, in conjunction with the late Hon. E. T. Benson and Hon. Lorin Farr, when the work of grading wa done his health was seriously impaired. Indeed, when he commenced on it, he was really an invalid; but his indomitable energy buoyed him up, for had it not been for his energy and vitality he would have succumbed to the disease from which he had suffered, long before it terminated his West, he went to California, hoping to derive relief from the change of atmosphere, and was there at the time of his death. The particulars have not yet been received, the telegram announcing the mournful fact

letter in pencil on Saturday, the Sth; and glad to learn that his health is improving. tral." The three first presented a mag- his communications for some time have Elders Burton and Sheets are with him in

The vote was unanimous. The following persons were then chosen as a committee to draft resolu-

tions, expressive of the feelings of the meeting, to wit: Mrs. M. Burton, Mrs. E. Duncanson and Mrs. E. Binder. The Committee retired to prepare res

olutions; and in the meantime several ladies expressed their views and feetings of indignation and disgust with regard, to the Bill, also their determination to resist such gross injustice; &c.

The Committee then returned and the following resolutions were read by Mra. Burton:

Resolved, That we, the ladies of the 15th Ward, Salt Lake City, in mass meeting assembled, do solemnly protest against the Bill now before Congress, known as the Cullom Bill.

Resolved, That we use all the moral influence vested in us to prevent the national disgrace that would accrue to our country, were such an infamous Bill to receive the approval of Congress. Resolved, That the passage of the aforesaid Bill would stamp disgrace on the insignia of our glorious Republic and that we disapprove each and every attempt made by those entrusted with the reins of government to destroy the sacred Constitution bequeathed to us by our forefathers.

Resolved, That in the name of humanity we express our indignation against and his house was ever a home, not only to the aforesaid Bill, which is calculated in its nature to uproot every vestige of civil and religious liberty, destroy the rights of conscience and to reduce our fathers, husbands and sons to the lowest degree of moral servitude.

The foregoing resolutions were teceived with warm and enthusiastic applause by all present. Miss E. R. Snow, Mrs. L. W. Kim-

ball and Mrs. B. Smith made a few very appropriate remarks, expressing their hearty concurrence in the movement and in the measures adopted by the meeting.

Before closing her remarks, Miss E. R. Snow suggested the propriety of the ladies of Balt Lake City assembling in a general mass meeting, to give expression to their feelings on the subject before us, and also that the example of this Ward be followed by the sisterhood throughout the Territory. Meeting adjourned sinc die.

MRS. S. M. KIMBALL, Pres. Miss S. E. RUSSELL, Sec.

OUR DELEGATE. - By telegram from Hon. Wm. Hooper, to his family, we are

