

No matter how irritated or dismayed you may feel, however, at the dismal exhibition of incapacity, ashine stupidity, laziness, drunkenness, rebelliousness and other admirable traits from one end of your caravan to the other as it files along the winding footpath on the memorable first morning of your march, let not the slightest symptoms of either one or the other betray themselves to your men. Keep cool.

Let your first morning's march be short and easy. At this stage of the expedition the Zanzibar porters are slippery and uncertain to a degree. One out of every six has joined the expedition for no other purpose than getting the three months' pay in advance. They intend to desert at the first favorable opportunity. Treat them royally, and take pains to have it circulated through the crowds that you love the African and are chiefly interested in making them all fat and wealthy. Some who have intended to desert within the first three marches may then change their minds.

Another sensible precaution of yours has been the employment of a hundred auxiliary carriers, at a month's pay each, to help you along for the first ten days. Consider yourself lucky if no more than half a dozen of your regular pegazis have deserted from the first night's camp. Of the auxiliaries you have but a dozen. Only one box has been lost and only one man crippled by the accidental discharge of a gun.

Much, very much, depends upon the selection of a head-man. The head-man is a go-between, the connecting link between the "bwana" and the porters. By secretly intriguing with the men against you he can do more towards smashing up your expedition than any other agency. With a faithful, competent head-man all things are possible; with a treacherous imp who is always conspiring with the men to thwart your ambition, purgatory is a mild sort of place compared with an African caravan.

In a case of general insubordination, which is sure to occur sooner or later, instead of attempting to punish the lot, the wisest plan is to select the ringleader and punish him until you are ashamed of yourself. Then give the others to understand that this is a mere hint of what will happen to the first one who fails to jump as quickly as he knows how at the word of command. Witness Stanley's hanging of the ringleader of Emin's conspirators, and of two or three of his own men at various times.

A general revolt occurred among my men in Massailand. Dr. Abbott and I were compelled to use our shotguns on them. One was killed and another wounded. The whole crowd were, by these summary proceedings, quickly brought into a reasonable frame of mind.

There comes a period in the life of every African expedition when there is a struggle for the mastery between the European leader and his people. The European must be prepared to gain the upper hand, no matter what the cost, or the expedition will very likely go to smash.

Treat the African kindly, even indulgently, like children, for that is what they are; but the rod must be ever within reach. If he fears you he will also love you—if he thinks you incapable of punishing him he will treat you with contempt and try his best to bring about your ruin. The story of Stanley and Emin is the finest essay on the African character that I know of.—*Thomas Stevens in N. Y. World.*

CURRENT EVENTS.

Edmunds Law Prosecutions.

At Moroni, Sanpete County, on Wednesday, June 25th, Aaron Hardy, Senior, and Jens E. J. Knop were arrested for unlawful cohabitation. The arrests were made by Deputies W. W. Brandou and George Wilson, of Mount Pleasant.

Monroe Allred, of Spring City, Sanpete County, was before Commissioner Pratt June 24. He entered a plea of guilty to the charge of unlawful cohabitation, and was required to give \$1000 bail for his appearance. His plural wife was held in \$500 bonds.

Thursday, June 26, Chas. Balmforth was arrested on a charge of unlawful cohabitation, and had a hearing before a United States commissioner. As it was shown that Mr. Balmforth had but one wife, he was discharged. This is the second experience of the kind that he has had.

A California Earthquake.

Three severe shocks of earthquakes were felt here on Sunday, June 29. People were awakened from their slumber.

Released From Prison.

June 24, Erastus L. Gee, of Provo, was released from the penitentiary, where he has served a three years' term for bigamy. He was sentenced March 23, 1888.

The Population of Ogden.

Dr. Condon reports that the returns of the census, made to him, show Salt Lake City with about 49,972 and Ogden with 16,825. This is exclusive of those who have since reported themselves as having been missed by the enumerators.

Influence of a Father's Politeness

Your children are what you make them; if you want their first and best you must give them yours; if you expect them to be refined and high toned, give the keynote yourself. "Good morning, my child," carries a benison with it, and, in so expressing himself, no man need be ashamed; yet how often does a man neglect this trifling politeness when in the bosom of his family!—*Ladies' Home Journal.*

Danger in the House Fly.

Few realize what an enemy to man is the common house fly. It is bad enough to have them crawl over

our berries; it is tantalizing to have them speckle our glassware; it is maddening to have them investigate our bald heads, but there are deeds of which the fly is guilty that put all these in the shade. Flies eat sewerage and putrid matter that is reeking with disease germs until they are filled with them, and then bite us and so inoculate us with disease, or leave the contagion in our food. We hear a great deal about the little things that make up life. Let some one tell us about the little things that cause death.

Sugar for Children.

After the baby is 6 months old it can have thin oatmeal gruel, or barley gruel, but its food should consist principally of milk until the eight front teeth have come. After a year old it can have rare meat, finely minced, the yolk of a soft boiled egg, and oatmeal porridge. It should still have as much milk as it will drink.

After it is two years of age it should have a little of every kind of wholesome food, including a small quantity of candy. Sugar is necessary to children, and their craving for it is an indication that nature means them to have it.

No tea, coffee, hot bread, pastry or unripe fruit should be given.—*Ladies' Home Journal.*

Malad Stake Conference.

The last quarterly conference of the Malad Stake of Zion, held June 15th and 16th, was a spiritual feast to the members of that Stake. During the proceedings Apostle Moses Thatcher spoke on the duties of the Lesser Priesthood, and the training of the young. He also mentioned the Mexican cycular method of computing time.

Apostle Lorenzo Snow treated on unity.

Elder Ben. E. Rich spoke of the signs following the believer, and the manner of teaching children in Sunday Schools. President Seymour B. Young proved religion to be a true science. The singing was excellent.

WILLIAM ANTHONY,
Stake Clerk.

A Deputy Marshal's Conduct.

Vernal is quite a place for excitement. Among the latest noteworthy events was the arrest of Deputy U. S. Marshal Norrell. The facts in the case, gained almost entirely from eye-witnesses, are as follows: It will be remembered that some months ago Mr. Seymour was found dead in his room there, and that it was reported in some wrongly advised newspapers to be the work of "Danites." After the effects of the deceased had been mostly sold off, a Mr. Brooks, cousin to Seymour, came from Denver, it is generally understood to work up the case. Mr. Brooks had been working about two weeks and at the expiration of about three months expected to furnish some proofs that his cousin had been foully dealt with. Now there is an under-current of gossip going the rounds to the effect that James Chadwick is the suspected murderer.