

Original Poetry.

CO-OPERATION.

Let us co-operate, 'tis the wisdom of age;
"In Zion they are one" will be published abroad.
The soul of existence diffused by her sages
Will beautify, happily, exalt man to God.
Let us co-operate, eye, every one try;
Let our voices be one, like when Jericho fell.
Know the good widow's mite will a small amount buy;
Drops of oil and replenish the deep living well.
Let us co-operate, 'tis the science of trade;
The union of hearts is the life-spring of power.
The glory of victories achieved will ne'er fade,
Our bright standard will wave from the loftiest tower.
Let us co-operate, 'tis a griddle of strength
For the rich and the poor, for the feeble and strong.
In our mountain domain, through its breadth
And its length
Consolidation's the spirit of business and song.
Let us co-operate, our circumference extend;
Who may say 'twas consistent—all centre, all head?
Now the plan is marked out, we'll our energies blend,
By none but our Christain will we ever be led.
Let us co-operate, private interests give way,
For the general weal of all Israel shall flourish;
The freeman to bondsmen no tribute should pay;
Kings and Queens must the Kingdom of Heaven soon nourish.
Let us co-operate, to "love money" we know
"Is the root of all evil," then fill up your shelves,
For the lovers of money may deal us a blow,
So the "Almighty Dollar" we'll pocket ourselves.
E. HANSHAM.

Correspondence.

OGDEN CITY, March 19, '09.
Editor Deseret News—DEAR SIR:—Many reports have appeared in your valuable paper about the peregrinations of noted members of the community in their travels to and from different localities in the Territory, not few of which emanate from the vicinity of the Range. Hearing so much about Ogden and the vicinity—round about since the advent of the U. P. R. R. I yesterday, in company with H. P. Kimball and another gentleman, left Salt Lake City to see the iron monster and attend to business. I never yet heard of any one but what had business to attend to—business in everybody's weakness, and with some the weakest characteristic. Our (guess if borrowed) buggy had accommodations for two only, consequently we were under the necessity of taking a saddle horse, which animal I staidled with the understanding we should "ride and tie." The principle of "ride and tie" I understood to be that the rider should ride the horse until it felt tired and then change with one of the two in the buggy. I jogged along on the pony, which by the way was a trotting animal, the trots being on the stiff-legged order, which brought my feet in contact with the horse's saddle about every other "trot." Mr. Editor, did you ever ride a trotting horse? If you haven't, and was a "Mormon" in Missouri, probably you have been rode on a rail, which, if you have, will give you a very correct idea of how I felt when I got to Farmington—the buggy about four miles ahead. As it was a "ride and tie" and I could see no prospect of overtaking the buggy, I "tied" the pony to a fence for a few minutes to get breath and struck out again for Kayville, the mud about fifteen and a half inches deep, but a man in front of me there was a definite toll road through Kayville, which encouraged me and made the pony stick one ear straight ahead, while the other flopped gracefully towards his tail. I found the ex-toll road without any directions, that is I found the top of the road but no human being could find the bottom—it was like that well arranged hereafter for the "wicked" bottomless.
The story now changes from the seriocomic to the absolutely serious. About half way through the lane I came to a span of horses, wagon and freighting outfit entire. No one but myself was near, the horses were asleep, but they showed indications of the driver. Struck with the singular manner and arrangement of the outfit I rode up to the wagon and discovered the driver lying on his face in the bottom. I spoke, but no movement or indication of life existed. Dismounting and turning the body over I was thunderstruck at finding it a corpse. He was a young man, apparently about twenty-five years old, cut down in the vigor of life, while hope, no doubt, had but an hour ago animated that now cold and motionless breast. I could not ascertain his name or place of residence. Who knows but what some kind, some other is at home patiently waiting the return of him whose body then lay clasped in peaceful slumber? Calling a farmer, we held a post mortem examination near the body—discovered an empty quart bottle, and returned a "wet one." Died temporarily from the effects of over-brush and boot-leg whisky taken inwardly, while under an insanity of the intellect. The poor fellow was dead drunk, and ere this has undoubtedly recovered.
All the way across the sand ridge I listened to hear the locomotive whistle, but heard nothing of the kind. At Taylor's mill I saw the Union Pacific Railroad for the first time—it consists of long streaks of iron laid on timbers—the cars, I am informed, running on top of these iron. I watched the rails some time to hear them whistle, but was told by an old railroad contractor that it was the locomotive and not the railroad that whistled.
Ogden City is a changed place. It used to be when a literary individual like the undersigned visited Ogden that the ecclesiastical and civil authorities were after him to feed his horses and supply his stomach with the necessary comforts of life. Now the railroad has arrived and the least stomach a person has the better for him. Hotels, restaurants, chop houses, boarding houses and "meals at all hours" are literally jammed and crammed. About the only chance for the travelers now is to "roost" on the fence and board with themselves. A train of cars came in late last night from Echo city, the cars only run off the track four times and the locomotive once, from which I judge the road is in pretty good order. I overtook our buggy at this place. Mr. Kimball had tied up and was waiting for me to help grease the buggy. There is a great deal of scenery here, but it lies too high up the mountains for me to give a very graphic description at present. If I come across any other valuable and important items between here and the Promontory I will let you know.
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