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LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY.

THIRD DISTRICT COURT.—The Third District Court convened this morning and after being in session a short time adjourned until to-morrow morning.

UTAH COAL.—The *Ely Record* says that a load of coal was brought to Pioche from Iron City, Utah, 120 miles distant. Price \$50 per ton, which is pronounced too high for that market.

DROWNED.—A son of Soren Anderson of Grantsville, aged two years and a half, managed to remove the cover of a well, and the weight which was upon the cover on the 9th, in doing which he fell in, and was not missed for several minutes. When discovered life was extinct.

ELDER MARK LINDSAY writes us from New Jersey, that he has numerous opportunities for preaching, and he never felt better in the ministry than he does at present. He is frequently stopped by strangers in the streets of the town of Bridgton and questioned about affairs here. By the dispatches yesterday we learn that he has been preaching at Williamsburg, New York.

WHAT HAS BEEN.—The New York *Herald* twits gubernatorial gushing in the following fashion—

"The Governor of Utah appoints the regular Thanksgiving Day with a gushing sentiment indicative of how very prosperous and happy Utah has been. Some of the Mormons will observe that Thanksgiving with a mental reservation."

ALL BY PROCESS OF LAW.—An exchange says—

"Anna Dickinson thinks the unmarried woman-women have a vague idea that when they get their 'rights' they will one and all be provided with husbands by process of law."

Per contra, the married women of Utah have reason to think that they will all be deprived of husbands "by process of law" if certain judicial characters can have their will. A wonderful thing is this "process of law."

RELIEF TO CHICAGO.—In response to a letter of Mayor Wells, enclosing further relief to the Chicago sufferers, the Treasurer of the Chicago Relief and Aid Society forwards the following reply:

CHICAGO, Nov. 4th, 1871.

Daniel H. Wells, Esq., Mayor of Salt Lake City, Utah:—Dear Sir—We have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your favor of October 30th, enclosing drafts on New York, for Two Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy-Six Dollars and Forty-Six Cents, (\$2,776.46) as an additional donation to the Chicago Relief Fund.

Again we desire most heartily to thank you and yours for the continued remembrance and substantial sympathy manifested by your nobly generous people in our hour of deepest misery and distress. We may never be able to repay it excepting in weak words of gratitude, but the recollection thereof will abide with us as an eternal remembrance. Yours respectfully,

GEO. M. PULLMAN, Treasurer.
C. G. HAMMOND.

SEVIER COUNTY.—Wm. Morrison, Esq., writing from Richfield, Sevier County, says they have peace in that county. There are no marshals, and the hum of industry is to be heard everywhere. The bridge across the Sevier is finished. He is of the opinion there will be a tolerably

good market there for produce from Meadow Valley and regions south.

Probably the reason there are no marshals in Sevier is that there is no coal in that county. We heard of two deputies in Sanpete who were very anxious to purchase or make discoveries of coal mines.

ENGLAND.—By the *Millennial Star*, of Oct. 24, we learn that a conference was held in McDonald's Music Hall, Hoxton, London, on Sunday, Oct. 8, Elder David Brinton presiding. The Elders from Utah present were—"David Brinton, Pres. of the London, David John, Pres. of the Glamorgan, Geo. P. Ward, Pres. of the Manchester, Thomas Dobson, President of the Liverpool, James A. Leishman, Pres. of the Durham and Newcastle, B. W. Driggs, Pres. of the Birmingham, and Caleb W. Haws, Pres. of the Sheffield Conferences; Ralph Harrison, Traveling Elder in London Conference, and Geo. W. Thatcher, N. Groesbeck and B. W. Carrington.

Meetings were held at 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 and 6:30 p.m. The assembly was addressed by Elders Geo. P. Ward, Thomas Dobson, Caleb W. Haws, David John, Geo. W. Thatcher, B. W. Driggs, Ralph Harrison, N. Groesbeck, J. A. Leishman and David Brinton. The conference was reported to consist of 39 branches, and 1,625 members.

On the evening of Oct. 9 a concert under the leadership of Elder George H. Perry, was held in the Albion Hall, London Wall.

The following are from the same number of the *Star*—

"Elder A. W. Carlson is released from laboring in the 'Millennial Star' office, to emigrate to Zion.

"Elder George F. Gibbs is appointed to labor in the Liverpool Office. All letters relating to the financial business of the office should for the future be addressed to him, and postoffice orders made payable in his name.

"Elder Thomas Morley is appointed to labor in the Nottingham Conference, under the direction of President J. B. Fairbanks."

THINKS OTHERWISE.—Some people, who speak from hearsay or imagination, have stated that the "Mormon" women were sparsely blessed with olive branches. Grace Greenwood thinks much otherwise, judging by the following from a letter of hers in the New York *Times*—

"You are struck by the great number of children everywhere here. Some houses absolutely overflowing with them; some tables are embowered in 'olive branches.' The different sets get along very well together generally, but that is little wonder, after the miracle of agreement between the mothers. Polygamy does not seem to spare women the cares of maternity. I know a Mormon household in which two middle-aged wives count about two dozen children between them. I took two little fair-haired girls for twins, and they were a sort of a polygamic twins, born almost at the same time in the same house, of different mothers. * * I hear that they have very good schools, and are under good discipline at home, answering to the roll-call at night, and duly honoring their father and mothers.

"Many Mormon wives are sisters, and it is said they get along quite harmoniously. The very nature of women seems to be changed here, and turned upside down and inside out. An intelligent 'first wife' told a gentle neighbor that the only wicked feelings she had about her husband for taking another wife was that he did not take her sister, who wanted him, or rather a share in him. She would have liked to have the property kept in the family. I saw the other day a pair of young wives, sisters, walking hand-in-hand, dressed alike in every particular, of the same height and complexion, and of the same apparent age."

CALLED.—Elder Geo. H. Peterson, just returned with the last company of emigrants from England, gave us a call this morning. The company, numbering about 300 souls, had a pleasant journey on the land portion, but rather long and rough in crossing the ocean. Nevertheless all arrived at their destination in good health and spirits. Elder Peterson returns home well satisfied with his mission and journey, also with all with whom he had business relations. The company was courteously treated by the railroad officials, generally, and especially so by those of the U. P. R. R. Captain Forsythe and officers and crew of the steamship *Nevada* were also very courteous and obliging, during the whole of the voyage.

The company was met and welcomed by Bishop W. W. Claiborne and a number of other friends in Echo Canyon, also

at Ogden by Elders F. D. Richards, and A. Carrington, and others, who manifested the greatest interest in the welfare of the company. Bro. Geo. Goddard, on behalf of Presiding Bishop Hunter, and a large number of relatives and friends also met the company at the depot in this city, to welcome them to Zion and provide them with provisions and homes.

Elder Peterson wished to express his entire satisfaction with the kind assistance rendered on the journey by Elder Peter Brown, who had charge of the Scandinavian portion of the company, and also the other returning missionaries, Elders Thos. Woolley, Edlefsen, William Anderson, and Neils Jensen, also the visiting Elders, John Alford and James Gale.

Between Lodge Pole and Sidney the train ran into a snow storm, and was detained twelve hours, the drifts being two to three feet deep. Notwithstanding the detention, the company manifested an excellent spirit. No complaining was heard during the whole journey.

Elder W. C. Staines, who met the company in New York, was very prompt, courteous, and obliging in his attentions.

Elder Peterson has a vivid idea of the situation of the poor of the Saints in Europe, and realizes the importance of those who have means at home continuing to furnish all reasonable assistance to help in the gathering of those who cannot gather themselves. He speaks in the warmest terms of the unvarying kindness of the Saints and many other people among whom he traveled in Europe during the whole of his mission. He never lacked anything necessary for his comfort, that the Saints could supply.

Elder Peterson found his family all in good health and spirits, and he rejoices in being once more in the society of his wife, children, and friends in his mountain home.

Elders Peter Brown and John Alford also called this morning, looking well and hearty after their trip.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY.

COURTS.—The Third District Court met to-day, and adjourned until Monday.

In the Second District Court, the examination of the last witness for the defense in the Eureka case commenced this afternoon.

VINDICATING "OUR VIRTUE."—The New York *World* says that if the "Mormons" are punished, the burden of their punishment will fall upon the wives and children; that if the husbands are locked up the wives and children will certainly suffer, if they do not starve; that their misery will be chargeable upon the government which has prosecuted them; that "of course our virtue ought to be vindicated, but ought we to vindicate it at the expense of a whole community?" O certainly, go ahead and vindicate your virtue—it sadly needs vindication, "which nobody will deny." Never mind what becomes of the "whole community"—what is it compared with the necessity of vindicating your precious virtue?

NORTH CAROLINA.—A letter from Mr. Wm. Hill, of Toms Creek, Surrey Co., North Carolina, informs us that there are a number of Latter-day Saints in that vicinity, organized as the Pilot Mountain Branch, who are anxious to have a visit from any Elders who may be traveling anywhere in that vicinity. Since Elders Church and Owen Dix left there they have had no visits from Valley Elders, and they greatly feel the need of visits and teaching. Will not some of the Elders who have recently been called on missions to the States, take this address and make it their business to visit that region? Bro. Hill is clerk of the Branch; but he represents it as a remnant, and since the emigration, in rather a scattered condition and the members poor. An energetic Elder or Elders can without doubt do good there.

A DIFFICULT PROBLEM.—The Washington correspondent of the Cincinnati *Times* says—

The President and his Cabinet have acknowledged the Mormon question to be one of the most difficult problems they have been called upon to solve since the close of the war. A policy of moderation will be adopted; while crime will be punished, wherever proved, in the United States Courts of Utah; and a plurality of wives in the future will be strictly forbidden and suppressed, and punished wherever attempted.

If they had asked us, we could have told the President and his Cabinet that the "Mormon question" was one of the most difficult problems that they could

ever presume to solve. And more than that, we can tell them some of the reasons why it is such a difficult problem. "Mormonism" is truth, the gospel of Jesus Christ, the work of God; and when President Grant and his Cabinet essay to regard and construe that work as error, wickedness, and crime and to cast about to punish it as such, whether by stretching or by disregarding the law, or by enacting special laws or decrees to fit the case, they begin to fight against God and truth and righteousness, to harass and oppress and persecute conscientious, Godfearing, innocent men and women, and no men ever did enter upon that course without sooner or later finding out that they had engaged in the solution of the most difficult of all problems, and one at which they would ultimately make neither credit nor capital. That's where the mystery lies.

AFRAID OF DESPOTISM.—The New York *Tribune*, commenting upon the rumored proposition to give Utah a state organization, on condition of the abolishment of polygamy in future, thinks it would be bad policy, as the "Mormons" would not be crushed thereby, but would be in the majority, and would materially color State policy. The *Tribune* very foolishly remarks, "He can hardly expect the United States to abdicate its authority over a Territory where nothing but the Federal protection saves the people from an odious form of despotism." Which simply means that the United States prefer to exercise unconstitutional control over a Territory, and keep its people in tutelage, lest they should erect a despotism under a State government. A ridiculous thing to suppose of Utah, which has been more self-sustaining, self-governing, peaceable and orderly, and more free from crime than any other Territory which the United States ever had.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY.

MOIST.—Nice, gentle showers last night and this morning, with more snow on the mountains. Weather mild and genial generally.

MISSIONARIES.—A number of missionary Elders left this city yesterday per U. C. R. R., for the east. We wish them a pleasant journey and an interesting and successful time during their missions.

SANDWICH ISLAND ORANGES.—Brother George Nebeker placed on the desk before us this morning, two oranges, grown on trees at the missionary settlement at Laie. They are of larger size than those usually sold in this city, and are interesting specimens of the productions of those far distant islands.

O. F. BALL.—A grand ball of the fraternity of Odd Fellows in this city and vicinity came off last night at the Odd Fellows Hall on East Temple street. The occasion was a complete success, the proceeds to be devoted to the furnishing of the reception room.

INFORMATION WANTED.—Benjamin Hickox, of Chagrin Falls, Geauga Co., Ohio, would like to learn of the whereabouts of his brother Daniel Hickox, who left the State of New York some thirty years ago, and is supposed to have gone to Nauvoo, and finally come to Utah. Any information of himself or family would be gladly received by the above.

ACCIDENT.—Bro. W. Asper, carpenter and builder, of the 17th Ward, met with a serious accident a few days ago. While engaged upon a building at the house of H. B. Clawson, Esq., Bro. Asper set his foot upon some loose adobies, which caused him to fall, spraining his ankle, as he thought. Yesterday, however, he discovered that his ankle was broken. The limb was set by Dr. Anderson and is now doing well.

Z. C. M. I.—The Clothing Department of this progressive Institution has been enlarged beyond all expectation, and its sales have been most satisfactory. The building in the rear, formerly occupied by the Produce Department, has been appropriately fitted up and furnished with gentlemen's ready made clothing of great variety and of the latest styles. They sell goods there remarkably cheap. We saw some very good hats the other day, the cost of which was \$3.50 and \$4.00, selling for \$1.75 and 2.00, and they were finely-finished, unexceptionable hats, too.

SALTY.—A shrewd, sagacious gentleman to-day remarked of Elder Taylor's last letter, that it was "rather salty." Why yes, we are living in a salty country and in rather salty times. Everything is highly seasoned now-a-days, if it pertains to Utah, not salty only, but gingery, peppery and spicy. What next?