

pose to choose constitutional counselors among its fellow-thinkers shall be effectuated. It is my earnest desire that every cause for a strife between the brother peoples be removed as soon as possible. If, with this aim in view, reforms of aforesaid nature are to be proposed, I must demand a promise that negotiations between the two kingdoms, in accordance with the act of union, must precede every decision in regard to a change in the arrangement of the consular system and the foreign office.

I ask for a written answer to this proposition as soon as you have had the opportunity to confer with your party.

OSCAR."

The following is the reply of the radicals delivered to the king by Sivert Nielsen:

"Referring to that paragraph in the act of union, which concerns the relations between the united kingdoms and which has repeatedly been asserted by the Storting, namely the rights of each realm to decide in all cases, which are not designated as mutual, the left of the Storting does declare that it will not repudiate negotiations, according to this principle, between the two kingdoms. In order to gain the purpose stated by your majesty in your majesty's message to the president of the Storting Sivert Nielsen, it is supposed, in accordance with general constitutional parliamentary principles, that the negotiations be entered into with the gentleman, to whom your majesty gives in charge to organize a government willing to co-operate with the majority of the Storting."

The king is backed in his opinion by the Norwegian conservatives and practically the whole Swedish people. As the two messages of the king and the Storting must be considered the ultimatum of both parties, there is now hardly to expect anything but a revolutionary step to be taken by the radical majority of the Norwegian Diet. If the king "gives it up" and leaves for Stockholm, the Storting must either decide to call together a national convention in order to arrange matters after the dissolution of the union, or take charge of the government itself. Such a decision can, however, be prevented by the party of the right, if its members fail to attend the sessions of the Storting. No act of the Storting is namely legal, if not a quorum of two-thirds of its members do attend. But if, contrary to what is generally supposed, the conservatives join issue with the radicals then the revolution will be a fact. However, it is not to fear that the right will follow such course of action. If the conservatives take stand with the king, the radicals will be compelled to heat a retreat so far, that a solution of the union question cannot be forced from the king. Then the leaders of the left will have no other way out of the difficulties than asking King Oscar to give the country a government, without which, of course, the whole machinery of the state must cease moving.

The crisis in Norway has been a subject of a very hot discussion in the Swedish Riksdag during the past week, the members of the Diet, with very few exceptions, taking the same view of an adjustment of the difficulties as King Oscar.

According to the latest information, fifteen people were killed and twenty-one severely injured by the caving-in of a roof at the Hafors Iron works in Gestrikland, Sweden.

A large increase in the export of Swedish cutlery is reported by the General Export association, which now numbers not far from 800 members, amongst whom are to be found the most prominent representatives of the various branches of Swedish industry and trade, and has been formed for the benefit of its own members, of whom it receives a small annual subscription. It does no business on its own account, nor, when acting as an intermediary between buyers and sellers, does it charge any commission or accept any remuneration, the greater part of its expenses being defrayed by the state.

FAIRVIEW JOTTINGS.

FAIRVIEW, Sanpete Co., Utah, March 2.—Miss Amanda Lundquist recently returned from Ohio where she has been in attendance at a prominent seminary for some years. She graduates with honors.

An unfortunate accident occurred to Henry, the little son of Darious Clement. When engaged in playing upon the school grounds some time ago, the boy fell to the ground resulting in a fracture of the arm. Medical and surgical aid was at once summoned and he at present is doing well.

The following young people have lately entered upon the threshold of wedded life: Fritz Christopherson and Miss Frances Brady; Osborne Carleton and Miss Charletta Johnston; Perry Stevens and Miss Etta Robney, and Vernon Webb of Payson and Miss Vina Young.

The Home Dramatic Co. played the melo-drama Pizzaro to a well filled house on the night of the 6th ult. The production of the play was a success, the players rendering their parts remarkably well, demonstrating the ability of local talent.

The Relief Society celebrated its anniversary on the 2nd ult. Services were held in the afternoon which consisted of a report, addresses, toasts, music, both vocal and instrumental, etc. The society assembled at the social hall in the evening, a grand sociable being in order, where a sumptuous repast and dancing were indulged in. Music, humor, etc., contributed to their enjoyment.

On the 14th day of February was closed the career of one of our esteemed and respected citizens, Peter N. Hansen, Sen. His illness was sudden and his demise unexpected before the fatal moment. He leaves a wife, four daughters and three sons to mourn the loss. The funeral services were held on the 19th, at eleven o'clock, the same being deferred until the arrival of his son James who was out West. Appropriate and consolatory remarks were made on the occasion. The community sympathizes with the bereaved widow and family in their afflictions.

The attractions rendered at the opera house under the auspices of the district schools, on the eve of the 22nd ult., were most enjoyable. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, the house was well packed with an appreciative audience. Prof. N. L. Nelson,

of the B. Y. Academy, gave an able address upon the Beauties of Literature. An attractive feature of the program was the assembling on the stage of a number of young folks, coming to order and electing a chairman—purpose of the gathering was to celebrate the anniversary of Washington's birthday, each one of the party uttering a sentiment in honor of the "Father of our country." Music and singing contributed to the enjoyment of the patriotic juvenile assembly as well as to that of the audience.

LAPSUS CALAMI.

GOOD TIMES IN BANNOCK.

REXBURG, Idaho,
March 3, 1895.

Wednesday evening, Feb. 27th, the members of Second ward choir sprung a genuine surprise on their talented young leader, R. G. Archibald. They met as usual for regular weekly practice and after several numbers had been rehearsed a very substantial and inviting picnic was spread and hastily enjoyed, a treat which Thos. Elliot, organist, in behalf of the choir, in a neat and appropriate speech presented to their leader a beautiful baton; the article is an artistic piece of workmanship, of black ebony, inlaid with ivory and silver. Brother Archibald was so surprised and overcome with emotion that he could scarcely find words to thank the donors for their gift and expressions of good will, but he finally collected himself and very fittingly acknowledged the compliments tendered him. The remainder of the evening was spent in singing, dancing, etc., and a general good time was had by all present, one that will long be remembered by the sweet choristers of the Second ward.

Friday, March 1st, the Polysophical society of Rexburg held their regular bi-weekly meeting in the Stake academy building, which was moderately well attended by an attentive and appreciative audience. The lecture of the evening was delivered by Elder Willard Johnson, a graduate of the B. Y. Academy, Provo, subject, "The Carthaginians." The lecturer gave a clear and concise history of these people from the first foundation of their city and kingdom to their final overthrow by the Romans. Next on the program was a duet by R. G. Archibald and Luella Clegg, which was very beautifully rendered. Elder J. C. Black then gave a very graphic account of the battle of Bull Run, which was followed by a comic song from Prof. Cole in an artistic style.

The regular monthly Priesthood meeting of Bannock Stake was held Saturday, March 2nd. A large number of Bishops and their counselors and the Priesthood of the Stake were in attendance. Good reports were received from the various wards and associations, and some excellent counsel and instructions were given by President T. E. Ricks and others who spoke.

The delegation that accompanied the remonstrance against the dismemberment of our county to Boise returned March 1st, and report that success attended their labors, and that the scheme of the Brighamites to steal a