## THE EVENING NEWS. The CARGON AND THE TOP OF GEORGE Q. (INNON. COTTO: AND PUBLISHER. February 28, 1870. Manday.

#### BEMIND THE TIMES.

1.8 reading accounts of the social and moral condition of large cities in differant par a of a urgreat Republic, as represented from day to day in the papers, one can hardly be surprised that certain sign as soals in and out of Congress annuld be so auxious for special legislation on litab, to bring her up to the high status ... ' in raily that is so rapidly thing reached elsewhere. Why, during this twenty two years and over since. vigilance committee organized in the Ferritory, yet no city of any pretensions. to importance can claim to be fully "up. with the times" unless something of the kind sticks out in its public records. We notice that the move in this direction, talked of some time ago id New York, is extending to Brocklyn, and the Empire City and City of Churches will soon beable to congratulate themselves in not being behind the very foremost cities in this respect. Already they claim greater need of them than · en San Francisco did in those paimy days when "progressive civilization" had to be driven out by the concerted action of vigilance committees.

Some short time ago a night watchman, named Thomas Hayes, who was suployed by a Brooklyn mercancilfirm, was murdered by one Perry. The murderer was arrested, but he had powerful friends and he was admitted to bail by Judge Gilbert, of the Supreme Court. Murder, in theory, and according to law, is an unbailable crime; but gentemen who have been elevated to the bench, can show the public once in a while that they are able to combine the functions of legislators with their Judicial labors. The District Attorney was thick-headed enough to think the law should be paramount; but when he found what the judicial decision was, and learned that Perry's friends knew two days before he did of what characterit wou d be-a piece of information that could not have been obtained from anybody but Judge Gilbert who gave the decision-he permitted himself to become angry, and addressed a proclamation to "the river thieves, murderers and cut-throats;" or, in other words, to Parry's friends. Hoon atter, another man named Voorhees, of South Brooklyn, was brutally murdered in cold blood, being shot through the head without any intimation, and it is alleged that the deed was committed by another of Perry's amiable friends, who seem to amuse themselves by kriing people, much in the same style as - me outgrants used to kill Indians-just for sport or fo try the range of a fille The district attorney of New York said a few days a.o. in his opening speech to the jury on the trial of Reynolds, the murderer of Townsend: " In the city or county no one is free from the while of the astassin or the vidence of the highwayman; there is a perfect epidemic of crime." And as an evi dence that the west is not so far behind the east in this matter, a leading Sacra mento paper, in commenting up on this very remark, says: "Even here in Macramento il la nexito impossible lo punish a murderer, though within the past year and a half there have teen some shock og ones committed;" and to people as far is head the times as the culpins of Urah this see us a shocking confession to have to make. The leading papers tell in seutences southing and bland, how a kind of a lefthanded polygamy is freely practiced in . Washington, D. C., and probably numhers of the members of Congress have heard of it. If this be so, it would very likely be an easy way of settling the "Mormon question" if a bul should be Introduced into the National Legislature, making it penal for a man to call his second or third wife anything but his mistress; and enacting that a man should publicly acknowledge but one wife, and when the others were referred to, merely wink and say; "you understand; of course; the usual thing." We may as well hint, though, that we don't think such a bill would be very favorably looked upon by either men of women here, for they have not advanced sufficiently far in these "progressive York. moral ideas" as to play the hypocrite and think it excellent morality. As we have been quoting, another quotation may come in here, from an exchange, referring to the present anti-polygamy bill. It says: "Let us follow this bill by another, depriving residents of Washington, who have both wives and mistresses, of the right to hold office. synopsis of my travels, for the perusal The sin of a sin is sinning openly." Now, the gentlemen who perpetrated that, is my more immediate acquaintances. as the people of Utah.

mole who have the spirit of the gospel pected to meet br. R. Maxfield according to sile, with sobriety, industry and honesty, honored and bearing sway throughout the Territory, it is very evident that Utah is a long way from being fashionable; and what other means so easy to make her fashionable as to legissomething be not done in the matter, there is no knowing but some other portions of the nation may be influended by her example, and the condi-

tion to which priest-craft, law-craft and medical-craft would be reduced by it is alarming to contemplate. Many of these learned gentlemen might be compelled labor for a living, and that would be intolerably cruel, especially for the gentlemen who live by priestcraft.

Taking the old fashioned decalogue for a foundation on which to base a reason, we must come to the conclusion Utah was settled, there has not been a that Utah is in a terrible condition indeed, when she is so much worse than the places we have referred to that she furnishes matter for so many articles in the thousand and one papers throughout the country, and even keeps honorable members of Congress awake preparing special legislation to meet her case. The people of Utah, however, have not been able to see it, up to the present time; and no body appears anxmus to enlighten them.

SPECIAL TO THE DESERET NEWS.)

By Telegraph.

# AFTERNOON DISPATCHES.

### WASHINGTON.

The Postal and Telegraph system. WASHINGTON .- At a special session

of the Senate postal committee yesterlay morning, Mr. Orton continued his argument against the Hubbard telegraph scheme. In the course of his remarks Orton said competing line are now in operation in the majority of the States, all of which are being extended. and if the business was not interfered with by Congress it was probable that within a short time, say a year or two at the farthest, competition would exist all over the country. Competition really promoted the interests of shareready to invest capital in such enterreasion to interfere. He called attenbe almost tempted to urge the passage control of its organization. Hubbard, in reply, contended that in Europe, under the control of the Government four miles of wire cost no ed with him. nore than one of the Western Union: and the average rates abroad were fortylive cents per message against seventyne cents in this country; that the telehere, that the adoption of the postal vatem will reduce the average rates fifty per cent., and that under the posal system in Europe business has inexpenses have increased but twentyfive. He believes that a great saving of xpenses will also be made by uniting he telegraph with the Post Office witho that department.

In their hearts to tempt or lead women to agreement before I left home, with whom I was to travel, but as he did not come, the next morning I struck out through Iows for Illinois. on the way I found friends among strangers, and wish to make honorable mention of Mr. Loomis, of Red Oak, and Mr. Lawrence, of Ottumwa, (a cousin), both merchants. They treated me very kindly, and were late her up to the desired point? Why, if full of inquiries respecting Utah and the Mormons, and were well pleased with my answers and really seemed to form a good opinion of us, contrasting our manner of living with their own personal observations at home.

I next made my way to Schuyler county, Ill., partially by request of friends in Utah and partially by inclination to visit the remnant of an "old branch." but it was useless as I was forewarned in a dream the night before got there. The either knew it all and were safe, or they did not care to know.

I next went to Stark county, Ill., my former residence, but they did not want the gospel. While there I visited my old friend Austin Grant. He said he was standing on his own bottom, but the people would not want to hear Salt Lake Elders. Perhaps Bro. Geo. D. may have better success as he returns home this way.

I next went to Ottawa, where I joined Bishop Miller and Bro. Peter Madsen. We held a number of meetings in various neighborhoods, where for a time there were full houses and attentive conregations, probably out of curiosity; but some were believing, when we determined that it was best for Bro. Madsen and myself to return to lows, and leave the Bishop there, for a time, to see what could be done.

Before I close I want to say that at Harding, Ill., we found the most bigoted creature I have met with, in the person of a Rev. Mr. Swartz, who resurrected the old Spaulding story, and said that if his own father was to testify to him that he had been visited by an angel or a heavenly messenger, he would not believe him.

But I must close. I feel that we have done some, perhaps much, good in allaying prejudice by speaking the truth in much plainness on all occasions where an opportunity was presented, whether in public assemblies, private dwellings, on the cars or at hotels.

Yours in the gospel,

SILAS RICHARDS.

A STORY BARNUM DOESN'T TELL

P. T. Barnum tells in his autobiography a great many stories illustrative of his own sharpness, but omits as many more in which the laugh happens to be at his own expense. One of these holders, but so long as the latter are omitted incidents occured in the Spring of 1866, when Barnum was a member prises the public will certainly not of the Connecticut House of Represensomplain and the government has no tatives. It was the second week of the tion to the fact that the House commit- being in town-the Legislature met in tee, after giving two years' considera- New Haven that year-gave a very eleon to the subject had unanimously or - gant dinner at the Savin Rock House, dered an adverse report against the Hub- in honor of Governor Hawley, who had ranted true to kind and grown from bard and other schemes. He conclud- just been inaugurated. Twenty or ed by saying that if, after due consider- thirty gentlemen were invited, among PERFECT ation with a full understanding of the them P. T. Barnum, and Ike Bromley subject, it is decided to authorize a now of the Hartford Post, then editor postal telegraph service, the induce- of the Norwich Bulletin, and represenment would be so strong, that I should tative from Norwich. Barnum, as usual, was very conspicious, doing most of the bill that any company might of the talking, and making himself as avail itself of its provisions and get prominent as possible. Brom., who had never met the showman before except once, causually, at the beginning of the session, was a good deal disgusthealth of Governor Hawley, and the Governor responded in a little speech. craph is more used in Europe than One or two other distinguished gentlethen Barnum's health was proposed. The great showman rose with the manner of a man who was to say the funreased a hundred per cent., while the niest things of the evening and was confident he could fill the bill, and with an air of mock embarrasment began: "Mr. Chairman-You know I am not in the habit of making speeches-' int a corresponding increase of expense Here he commenced examining his pockets, as if looking for his manuscripts; not finding any, he turned to the gentleman near him and enquired: "Who's got my notes?" The question had not left his lips before Brom., sitting way at the other end of the table, without lifting his eyes from the nuts on his plate, shouled in answer: "Chauncey Jerome!." It is asserted that the Council of State in his life, was really embarrassed. He will propose a reduction of the army had not anything to say. After a while, when the uproar had sufficiently subsided to give him a chance, he managed ter declaring that he would die rather to say, he "owed the gentleman from than aid in the projects spoken of at Norwich one," and with a few words Rome. The Bishop does not indicate sat down. But he was extinguished for France has made a new attempt to position of head centre. - Norwich Bull-



In the New Tabernacle, Salt Lake Oity,

October 7th, 8th and 9th.

# FOREIGN NEWS.

#### FRANCE. Perfect harmony --- rather die than sup-

contingent.

The Bishop of Lavalle publishes a letwhat these projects are.

dissuade the Ecumenical council, from etin. acting against her interests

#### HOLLAND. Discount Bank.

HAMBURG .- It is said that a project is on foot for the establishment of a discount bank in this city by the capitalists here, at Berlin, Frankfort and New

# Correspondence.

BENTON, IOWA, Feb., 16, 1870. Editor Descret News .- Dear Brother. As the time is approaching, when I will probably leave these lower regions for my mountain home, I send you a brief Lot of your numerous readers; especially On the 5th day of November, I left evidently nearly as far behind the age the brethren with whom I had traveled

NOTICE.

A LL persons knowing themselves indebted to us are requested to settle their accounts by note or payment, on or before the first of March next. KIMBALL & LAWRENCE

Salt Lake City, Feb. 16, 1870. d72-2w

#### NOTICE.

WILL SELL the following described pro-Lots or property, should call on me immediately.

------SALT LAKE CITY PLAT. 28 Flat Block B 243 BIG FIELD SURVEY, 5 ACRE LOTS. Block Lots 14, 15, 16, 5, and 18 . 9

18 x 24 INCHES.

| no vigilance committees organized nor<br>any necessity for them; with the few<br>petty criminals that occasionally throw                                    | treated. I omitted no opportunity of   | <ul> <li>17 Lots 7, 8, 9, containing 30 Acres.</li> <li>H. J. FAUST, Assignee,<br/>for M. J. Snedaker.</li> </ul> | BOOK OF MORMON, complete, retail, \$2.00   | AT THIS OFFICE.   | а <sup>10</sup> ж. |
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| themselves open to the law by their<br>acts promptly punished—or habeas cor-<br>pused—with no mistresses adorning<br>hack villas, or winked at as they pass | conversing on our doctrine and princi-<br>ples, and bearing my testimony, I was<br>listened to with attention, and treated<br>with respect, but onlygotone opportunity<br>of speaking in public here, as there was | WANTED  | PART FIRST, [containing 116 pages] de-<br>signed for a Third Reader, retail 75<br>& Heavy Discount to Wholesale Pur-<br>chasers. | A Every Missionary should have a supply   | H. B. CLAWSON      |
| along the streate with no more of   | little inclination to hear me in that<br>way. I visited the graves of my father,<br>mother and two brothers. On the 24th   | A GIEL to Cook and do General Housework<br>Liberal Wages given.<br>Apply at office of                             |  | PRICE 20 Cents Single Copy,<br>Large reduction made to wholesale buyers.<br>289-M | GEN'L SUPT.        |

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