

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY, JUNE 8.

BELSHAZZAR.

Zion's Choral Union Renders the Popular Cantata in the Tabernacle.

"It was a notable event—that of last evening—in the musical annals of our city. The production of Belshazzar by a society of such proportions as Zion's Choral Union, and in a building of such dimensions as the Tabernacle, was sufficient, when first announced, to set the public mind all agog with anticipation. It was known that the Union had been busily at work for several months, preparing for this, their initial performance, and that such men as Careless, Stephens, Beesley and Daynes, with their host of able assistants, were not in the habit of laboring without bringing forth something of a result. The immense audience, and the fine performance of last evening, were in every way worthy of each other.

As early as seven o'clock, groups and lines of people were to be seen wending their way towards the south gate of the Temple Block, from all parts of the city. As the time wore on the crowds grew denser, the lines longer, and the motion of the masses more eager and rapid. Like rills forming a river, and again dividing into streams, the multitude appeared as it poured through the open gateway and sought admission through the several doors leading to the interior of the great edifice.

Here a scene of splendor burst upon the view. The vast hall was lit up by a myriad of gas lamps, which threw their radiance over the variegated hues of an audience which, by the time it was seated, must have numbered from seven to eight thousand souls. The galleries, as well as the lower part of the auditorium, were filled—it might have been to suffocation, had not the wise provision been made of throwing open the many doors of the building, through which streamed the cool evening air in grateful, refreshing waves. As it was, some complained of the heat, including a number of vociferous infants, some of which were reluctantly taken out by their respective maternal guardians, lest they might put an end to themselves, and the cantata likewise, if allowed to continue their gratuitous performance. Some trouble, and, we regret to say, ill-feeling arose over persons getting into the wrong seats and having to be ousted in favor of those holding the reserve coupons for the same, while many of the latter failing to get the seats for which they had paid the reserve price, were obliged on account of their places being taken when they arrived, to sit down wherever they could, in seats of inferior quality. The audience was not fairly settled until a few minutes before 9 o'clock.

The west end of the Tabernacle, on either side and in front of the great organ, where sat Professor Daynes, was covered by a broad platform, enclosing the choir, the stands of the Priesthood, and the spaces right and left, extending to the front as far as, but not including the Sacrament table. Immediately in the centre, in front, was seated Professor George Careless, on a dais, facing the singers and the organ. Before him were the soloists, thirteen in number, and to the right and left and in the rear the grand chorus of four hundred voices; the orchestra having seats to the right and left of the conductor.

At ten minutes to 9 o'clock Professor Careless waved his baton, and a roll of drums responded. The orchestra rendered for an overture Mendelssohn's "March of the Priests," after which a brief pause ensued, and then, on another signal from the conductor, the whole body of singers rose to their feet with splendid precision, and the cantata of Belshazzar commenced.

We cannot, for lack of space, follow it in detail, and will only attempt to mention a few of the excellent features that were most prominent. Perhaps the best work of the evening was done by the chorus, led by Professor Careless, who seemed to infuse the magic of his nervous energy into every soul, and was ably supported by the grand organ and orchestra. The bursts and swells of harmonious sound were as superb as the piano movements and diminuendos were sweet and plaintive. But words cannot describe the power of music; it must be heard in order to be realized.

The soloists also did some fine execution. Mr. J. D. Spencer with his deep, resonant voice, sang Belshazzar's lines with splendid effect, and after his opening song, "Let us be merry," only failed of an encore because of the hurrying forward of the next number. All his efforts were excellent and were greeted with hearty applause. Mr. G. D. Pyper, though suffering some from the relics of a cold, sang the part of "Zerubbabel" with great feeling and fine effect. His voice grows sweeter and more flexible, and gains in strength, at each appearance of his in public. Heber Goddard, who impersonated "Cyrus," made a very good impression. With practice he will develop into a vocalist of much merit. Mr. M. J. Thomas, as "Daniel," in his opening aria "Who knoweth but the Time," ran somewhat aground, but later on amply redeemed himself by his excellent rendering of the recitative, "Thy Gifts be to Thyself," and the air, "On thou King." His voice is strong and of superior quality. "Ez-

tus," a brief role, was ably interpreted by Harry Gardner.

Mrs. Edith Knowlton, as "Nitocris," Miss Lizzie Thomas as "Antonia," Mrs. Agnes Olsen Thomas as "Shelomith," Mrs. Silverwood as the "Jewish Princess," Miss Edith Dinwoodey as the child "Myra," Miss Crissie Lawson as "Tamar," Miss Louie Poulton as "Atalla" and Mrs. Vilate Young as "Zerlina," all did excellent work. Mrs. Knowlton's voice, full of sweetness and sympathy, and slender as a silver thread, told best on her sustained high notes; in some places it was out of tune, however, owing no doubt to the heavy requirements of the vast hall. Singing in the Tabernacle is no trifling task; even Patti deemed the undertaking a feat worthy of her skill. Miss Edith Dinwoodey was heartily applauded for her song; she has a remarkable voice for one so young. One of the gems of the evening was the song, "Brightly Gleaming," by Miss Lizzie Thomas, with a brilliant flute obbligato by Mr. Smith. Mrs. Agnes Thomas was, as usual, in fine voice, and her rich mellifluous tones fell upon the charmed ear like the music of murmuring waters. Miss Lawson's voice was one of the best; with abundant volume, clearness of tone, and tasteful expression. Mrs. Silverwood and the rest, as they had opportunity, made every note tell.

The "Soldier's Battle March," by the chorus, orchestra and organ, was thrillingly rendered, and was among the best things done by them. "We will Give Thanks" was also splendidly executed, with tremendous volume and exact precision. "Hail to Belshazzar" was a veritable gem. The singing in the palace, at the king's impious feast, interrupted at intervals by the shouts and songs of the soldiers of Cyrus, advancing on the doomed city; the terror of Belshazzar at seeing the mystic writing on the wall, with the solemn and fateful interpretation by Daniel, worked up the last scene to a grand dramatic climax in the capture of the city, the death of Belshazzar and the triumphal entry of Cyrus into Babylon; but the finale was marred by the ill-mannered conduct of a portion of the audience, who began moving out of the building in the very midst of the closing number, creating much noise and confusion, half drowning the singers and ruining the enjoyment of their fellow auditors.

"Belshazzar," by the Choral Union, will be voted a success, artistically as well as financially. Though not ranking high as a work of art, and depending too much on catchy airs and interludes—the flagrant work of minstrelsy—to be considered sublime, either in composition or effect, it is nevertheless brilliant and taking, and will always be popular for amateur production. It was given successfully in the Methodist church some years ago, under Professor Blake, with Professor Orson Pratt as accompanist. A piece of this kind, on account of its simplicity, was very suitable for the Choral Union to begin on—numbering as it does so many novices in the divine art—but next time we hope to see them in something more "worthy of the steel" of the society's veteran members, such a work, for instance, as "The Messiah," "Elijah," "Israel in Egypt," or some other masterpiece.

All honor is due to Professor Careless, his assistants, Professors Beesley and Stephens, Professor Daynes, and those who supported them in their arduous efforts, for the success of last night's excellent performance.

LASHING THE LEAGUE.**"Liberals" Censured for Not Registering.**

A streamer on the balcony of the Federal court room announced that at 8 o'clock last evening there would be held in that apartment, an open meeting of the Loyal League. Shortly after that hour the writer entered the court room, but less than half a dozen persons were in it.

Returning to the street he waited to see whether the meeting would be held or not. Soon a brass band appeared on the balcony, and played a tune. Even this did not attract as much as a group. Suddenly Gen. George R. Maxwell flapped up against the balcony railing and bawled out: "A political meeting is about to be held in the hall of justice (hic); if you will come up (hic), you will hear something (hic) with reference to politics." As he ceased speaking, two or three urchins stepped from the sidewalk into the street and looked curiously up at the balcony. These with the usual number of persons walking or riding by, were his sole auditors.

THE BAND

went into the court room and another tune was played. By the time it was finished about forty persons had taken seats. A wait occurred, during which a few more loiterers came in.

O. J. Hollister nominated Fred H. Meyers

AS CHAIRMAN.

The candidate was successful, there being no opposition to him. He arose and declared that he really didn't know what the object of the meeting was, and therefore couldn't state it. He would ask Mr. Hollister to make a speech. Mr. Hollister arose and explained that registration was progressing so slowly among "Liberals" that it was thought best to call this meeting and urge greater diligence. He dwelt at some length on what he called "Asiatic civilization," and

claimed that the Edmunds-Tucker law was a good one. He closed with an exhortation to his hearers to register.

THE RECENTLY DECAPITATED

C. S. Varian followed in a frantic attempt at a high flown speech. He was neither truthful, logical nor coherent. The purport of what he said was an exhortation to the League to take the oath and register. "If we will do our duty, we shall, within a few years, be able to welcome these priests of Utah to their political graves." He attempted to sketch the political history of the Territory, but was ridiculously inaccurate. "The Mormons came here and took possession of this Territory after the people of the Union had carved it out for a great state," was one of his absurd statements. He was oblivious to the fact that this was Mexican territory until 1848. He closed by solemnly repeating the injunction: "Register, register, register!"

J. R. M'BRIDE

was the next speaker. Discussion of the "Mormon" question was so old that it sounded like "Old Hundred" to him, but he was still willing to sing the old tune. He made a wholesale and unscrupulous charge of an utter lack of patriotism on the part of the "Mormon" people, and proceeded to recount the victories the "Liberals" had gained. They had secured half the juryman, had stripped probate courts of general jurisdiction, and, as the speaker brazenly boasted, "We now practically have possession and control of the District courts."

He cited a school district in which the "Liberals" had elected a majority of the trustees, stated that they had succeeded in electing one member of the Legislature last session, and now had a chance to elect half a dozen if they did their duty. He admitted that it was humiliating to take the oath, but said it was "nothing when you get used to it." He urged "Liberals" to swallow it and register.

There were calls for Murray and Baskin.

THE EX-GOVERNOR

responded in a speech which was short but loud. It was simply an appeal and exhortation to "Liberals" to gulp the oath and register, coupled with a few weak arguments made in an attempt to show that there was nothing humiliating nor objectional in the oath.

He was followed by

R. N. BASKIN,

who said: "I am told that there are a good many 'Liberals' in the Territory who have failed to register because the test oath was an insult to them. Any liberal who will take such a position as this ought to be — on."

Nothing but the obligation to be historically accurate justifies even an allusion to the language of this speaker, it was so shockingly filthy.

The instant that Baskin sat down, the chairman, as if fearful that if any more speeches were made, public decency would be further outraged, jumped up and, without ceremony, declared the meeting adjourned.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, JUNE 9.

Yaqui Chief to be Shot.

Benson, June 6.—Anastacio Cuca, the Yaqui chief who is said to have served under the famous Cajeme in the late Yaqui war in Sonora, arrived here yesterday morning shackled and handcuffed and in charge of a Mexican agent, on the way to Guaymas. He was captured in Tucson and surrendered to the Mexican authorities on a requisition from the Governor of Sonora. He is charged with committing murder at Guaymas. Major Claudio Zapato, the Mexican agent, informed your reporter that Cuca would be shot when he reached Guaymas.—S. F. Chronicle.

Immigrant Fares.

Some person writes us from Eagle Rock, Idaho, requesting information as to what the fares are for immigrants from Liverpool to Utah, but attaches no signature to the letter of inquiry. Of course the writer will look in vain for an answer by mail as requested, but we will here give the information desired. From Liverpool to Ogden the fares are:

Child under 1 year.....	\$ 3.00
" over 1 year and under 5.....	10.00
" " 5 " 12.....	13.00
Adult, person over 12 years.....	16.75

The adult fare from Copenhagen to Ogden is \$38.25; for other passengers same as above.

A Shameful Fabrication.

In the Tribune this morning appears an Associated Press dispatch from New York of a highly sensational character, giving an account of the narrow escape from polygamy of two young ladies named Eleanor Paston and Amelia Clegg, who, with fourteen other young ladies, had recently been taken to Utah by an Elder named Bascom, from Cornwall, England. The dispatch states they were aided by Junius F. Wells in their escape, and that he furnished them with male attire as a disguise, in which they took train for the east.

The telegram is an out and out fabrication. No "Mormon" Elder of that name has ever brought to Utah such a company of converts. Mr. Wells never met any ladies of the names, nor under any such circumstances as the dispatch mentions. In short, the telegram is wholly fictitious in every particular.

Obstructing Registration.

Erasmus Sorenson is deputy registrar for Kamas precinct, Summit County. During the present week he has violated the instructions of his superior officers and gone outside of the law to prevent "Mormons" from registering. He insisted that all should take the Loyal League oath or their names would not appear on the registry lists. In five instances demands were made on him to register under the regular oath as prescribed by law, but he positively refused. This matter should be prosecuted vigorously to the end.

Accident by Dogs.

Mrs. Harry Horsley met with an accident last evening from a cause that should be removed. She was driving in the Twenty-first Ward near where a man named Fitzgerald keeps a number of savage dogs. Mr. Fitzgerald was going along last evening leading a couple of the brutes, and just as Mrs. Horsley was passing they began to engage in a fight. Her horse became frightened and she made an attempt to get out of the wagon, but just as she did so the animal started off and she was thrown, with her child, violently to the ground, bruising her considerably. The owner of the dogs tied the brutes to a sagebrush and seized the frightened horse, which was soon quieted. It was a narrow escape.

Murderous Attempts.

A few days ago there appeared in the News a notice that \$300 reward would be paid by the Union Pacific for the arrest and conviction of parties who perpetrated the diabolical act of placing a rail across the Utah and Northern track in Montana, to wreck the train. Fortunately the obstruction was discovered in time and removed, thereby preventing great destruction of property and probable serious loss of life. On Saturday last a similar attempt was made, and led to the arrest of the probably guilty parties. The Butte Miner gives these particulars:

"A man was set to watch for similar occurrences, as it was evidently prompted by malice on the part of some enemy of the road living in the neighborhood. Captain Cleary had been for some time at Silver Bow in the interest of the road, endeavoring to detect the perpetrator of the intended mischief, when he was told by a section man on Saturday at about 7 that he had just removed two 600 pound rails from the track about three miles and a half south of Silver Bow which could not have been placed there more than 10 minutes before they were removed. This brought the matter pretty close to home, and the captain went with the section man to the spot where the rails had been found upon the track, and, on investigation, fresh horse tracks were found that led to the ranch of a farmer in the neighborhood. He found where the horses had been hitched to a telegraph pole. The captain lost no time, but when he had located the authors of the intended mischief, he came up to Butte, which he reached late at night, and procured a warrant for the arrest of L. Byars and Thomas Bokart from Judge Dingevon. Going to the Sheriff's office he procured the assistance of Deputies Fish and Thomas and left Butte about 2:30 for the ranch of the man suspected of the wrecking. They were in bed, but were awakened. Byars is a well-to-do rancher and Bokart was staying with him. They got up and dressed, and were brought up town and placed in jail."

Killed on the D. & R. G.

The following dispatches to the Denver News give accounts of two accidents that occurred on the D. & R. G. on Monday last:

Gunnison, June 6.—The east-bound passenger train on the Denver & Rio Grande, which leaves this city at 7:30 a.m., was about two hours late this morning, and while running at a high rate of speed on the level stretch of track between this city and Sargents, making up lost time, the train ran over a man who was lying on the track about seven miles from the latter point. The man, named Godfrey Hines, was drunk, and had evidently fallen asleep on the track. The engineer endeavored to stop the train, but was unable to accomplish the feat until the engine had struck the body of the man. His skull was badly fractured and he will certainly die. He was picked up by the train and taken to Salida and placed in the railroad hospital at that point.

Salida, Colo., June 6.—An attempt to cross the track in front of the Denver & Rio Grande fast Leadville train this afternoon resulted in a sad accident. As the train approached the marble and lime quarry works, six miles below town, about twenty minutes past four, a buggy containing Al. Ryan, a citizen of Salida, and Charles Patterson, bill poster for the Robinson circus, was nearing the crossing. The men saw the train about a hundred feet away. Patterson called to the driver to stop. Ryan insisted they could make it. Patterson either jumped or was thrown out and the engine struck the wagon, throwing Ryan fairly into the river and crippling one horse so that shooting was necessary. The train was instantly stopped and a search made for the body, but without result. The river being very high prevented the rescue of the body. Up to the present time the remains of the unfortunate

man have not been seen. It is hoped that they will be recovered in the Wing dam at Wellsville hot springs. Ryan leaves a family and sympathy is general.

THAT SEWER NUISANCE.**The Brewery Washings Call Forth Another Protest.**

People will remember that a few months ago the residents of the First and Tenth Wards raised serious objections to the washings from the Salt Lake Brewery being permitted to run down the water ditches, and create an almost unbearable stench, dangerous to health as it was offensive to the smell, in that district. The matter was referred to the City Council, and the brewery people, in conformity to the Council's decision, put in a sewer, and it was hoped and thought by some that the nuisance was permanently abated.

Now from another part comes a vigorous complaint which will probably bring about another change before it ceases. This latter appeal for relief is from those who reside in the vicinity of Ninth South Street, west of Third East. A visit to the neighborhood referred to will quickly discover the cause of the trouble. On approaching within a block of the corner of Third East and Ninth South, the atmosphere is charged with a smell strongly resembling that found near the Chinese wash-houses on a hot summer day, and by the time one reaches the junction of the streets referred to it is positively sickening. Under one side of the bridge in the street a stream of clear water enters, but when it emerges it is discolored and thickened with decayed substances. Under this bridge is the mouth of a sewer, the other end of which is connected with the brewery, and out of this is pouring a stream of 15 or 20 gallons per minute of as nasty smelling stuff as can well be imagined. This runs into the stream of water, and mingling with it empties into the Ninth South Street canal, which flows so sluggishly that for several blocks the stench is so offensive as to be considerable of a nuisance.

That the people of that district are justified in desiring the removal of the cause of complaint will be acceded by any reasonable person who will pay a visit to that locality. Now that the sewerage question is before the City Council, here is an opportunity for that body to investigate this branch of the subject and provide a remedy which the necessities of the case demand.

ARRIVED.**The Immigrants Reach Utah in Two Parties.**

The company of immigrants that arrived in Utah yesterday left Liverpool on the Nevada, May 21st, and reached New York after an eleven days' voyage on June 1st. The whole company on June 2nd left New York on the steamer Roanoke, and went by water to Norfolk, Va., and thence westward by the Old Dominion railroad, traveling together until Kansas City was reached. Here a division was made, those destined for points between Spanish Fork and Ogden proceeding via the Santa Fe and D. & R. G. roads, while those bound for destinations north of Ogden or south of Spanish Fork, came over the U. P. The latter were in charge of Elder Lowe who expresses warm appreciation of the kind treatment received from railroad officials and employees. In Elder Lowe's company good health prevailed and no accident occurred. Eleven persons left it at Granger for points in Idaho.

On account of lack of time at Kansas City, the baggage of the company was not all properly divided. But members of the company need not feel uneasy, as it will all reach its destination over either one road or the other, and the owners will be able to recover it.

Elder Edward Davis, of Paris, Bear Lake County, Idaho, had charge of the entire company as far as Kansas City. He left Utah for England April 4, 1885, and arrived in Liverpool on the 28th. During the whole period of his mission he labored in the London conference, of which he was president since last October. In that conference the work has been making fair progress, two new branches, the South London and West London, having been organized in it since Elder Davis became its president. The West London branch, in particular, is in a thriving condition. Elder Davis expresses himself much pleased with the experience afforded by his mission.

Both divisions of the company reached Utah yesterday. Eighty-seven souls came in over the D. & R. G. and the balance of the company numbering just about one hundred souls, came over the U. P. Elder Davis was in charge of the former, all but two or three of whom had found friends or homes within a few hours.

A Star Member.

By reference to our dispatches today, it will be seen that Elliot Snow, Utah's cadet at the Naval Academy at Annapolis, has graduated as a star member. There were but two others, both from Minnesota.

Scientists claim that cigarette-smoking leads to idiocy. We do not know how true this is, but are satisfied that idiocy leads to cigarette-smoking.