

ILLNESS OF NAPOLEON.

THE Byron scandal and the health of Napoleon III. are just now the all-absorbing topics of public interest in France and Europe; and on the termination of the Emperor's present fit of indisposition all France, and, indeed, the entire continent, seem to be hanging with bated breath.

Napoleon should feel highly flattered at this excessive attention. No sooner is he indisposed than the news is flashed across the wires to the remotest corners of the civilized world; and day after day the official bulletins, and the thousand conflicting reports afloat in Paris are sent to every city it is possible to reach in Europe, Asia, Africa and America, as though the political systems and kingdoms of the entire world were as deeply interested in his life or death as France itself.

But why all this anxiety? Is it because the French people are so deeply affected at the indisposition and possible dissolution of the man who has reduced their liberties and privileges to a minimum, or because they are waiting for a fair opportunity to change the present system of government for one more liberal and more in accordance with the genius and tendencies of the age? The latter is far the more probable supposition. It is true that Napoleon, under the pressure of public feeling and opinion has consented to grant many reforms, and to share the government of the nation with his ministry and the representatives of the people. See synopsis of *Senatus Consultum* in to-day's dispatches. But those reforms are not yet inaugurated, and were his death totake place at this critical juncture the French nation would be very likely to establish a republic or to choose a ruler not belonging to the reigning family. This is the cause of the present anxiety in France, and of the interest felt in Europe over the health of Napoleon.

A paragraph in Saturday's telegraphic dispatches says: "*L'Opinion Nationale* demands the immediate completion of the *Senatus Consultum*. Fears are entertained of an early return of the Emperor's weakness, and this fact makes it extremely important that the Constitution of the Government be well settled, for without this, revolution is certain in the event of any change of sovereign."

To prevent such a contingency as that indicated above and to see his son proclaimed his successor before his own demise takes place, it is stated that the Emperor designs abdicating. If he should do so his abdication will be only in name, he would still be actual ruler of France. As his reign can not, in the ordinary course of nature, last many years longer, in hope of seeing a consummation of the ambitious dreams of the family, the abdication of the present ruler of France at an early day is not an improbable event.

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY

**THE PRESIDENTS PARTY.**—President Young and party nooned at Kaysville yesterday, and then proceeded to Ogden where they stayed last night. This morning they went on to Brigham City.

**FIGHT WITH ROAD AGENTS.**—The following telegram, received this morning by Theo. F. Tracy, Esq., General Agent for Wells, Fargo & Co., in this city, has been handed to us for publication:

"CORINNE, Sept. 10, 1869.

Theo. F. Tracy:—A party under Robbins had a fight with "Road Agents," back in the mountains east of Devil Creek. Poor Dan, I fear, is mortally wounded; one robber dead and another wounded. Nine thousand five hundred treasure recovered. J. H. SKIDMORE."

**DROWNED.**—With extreme sorrow and regret we heard this afternoon of the death by drowning, of Brother John Goddard, a promising young man, about seventeen years of age, the son of Bro. George Goddard, of this city. We did not hear the particulars of the sad occurrence save that he went into the river to have a swim not far from Jordan bridge, in the vicinity of the drill, to-day. Such events cause gloom and sorrow too intense for words to assuage; and all that we and other friends can do under such a distressing dispensation of Providence, is to sympathize with the bereaved parents and friends.

Since writing the above we have learned that Bro. Goddard, was carried down stream as soon as he got into water, the supposition being that he was seized with cramp. His body had not been found up to going to press.

**EXPLORING THE TRIBUTARIES OF THE COLORADO.**—The news of the safe arrival of Major Powell at the mouth of the Virgin River, though he has lost everything except what is necessary to make a successful report of the expedition, has given rise to

general congratulation and has excited considerable interest with regard to the River Colorado and its tributaries, we therefore believe that the following extracts from a letter of Mr. Samuel Adams to the *Cheyenne Leader* regarding his exploring expedition down the Blue and Grand Rivers to the Colorado, will be interesting to our readers. Mr. Adams says:

"On the 12th of July my party of eleven men and four boats, constructed on the Grand, left a point on the Blue river, ten miles from the summit or main divide of the Rocky Mountains. For the first one hundred miles we descended five thousand feet. The canons of the Blue and Grand rivers were much swifter and more dangerous than any I have found on the Colorado proper. The fall of water for the entire distance we ran after leaving Summit county was never less than seventy-five feet to the mile." All boats, instruments, papers, &c., were lost. My instruments were replaced, and with ten men I proceeded on our destination—built a raft, and continued forty miles further, when this was broken up, and all provisions, except five days' rations, were lost. The country and river when I left were very favorable, wild wheat, barley, rye, oats and timothy growing up spontaneously, and the timber increased in size. I have, after four years experience in the exploration of the Colorado river, no hesitancy in saying that this stream, whose waters run over two thousand five hundred miles, has been and continues to be the most splendidly misrepresented river on the American continent. I have not time to enter fully into the facts connected with my explorations up and down the Colorado."

**TRAIN AT OMAHA.**—Last Saturday evening Geo. Francis Train lectured at Omaha. We clip the two paragraphs from the report of his speech published in the *Omaha Herald* in which he refers to the citizens of Utah.

"I wish Dr. Miller, who fills up his paper with so many good things, would find space to copy that speech I made at Utah, defending Brigham Young and the Mormons. It is an earthquake?"

"Brigham Young is the only man who has been always loyal—the only man who has been loyal throughout, on greenbacks—the only man who has been modest and long-suffering. If you have got any spite against religion tear down the Methodists, Episcopalians, Catholics and the Presbyterians, as well as the Mormons."

**MURDER BY INDIANS AT CIRCLE VALLEY.**—Last evening we received the following dispatch from Beaver, per Deseret Telegraph Line:

"Yesterday Mr. Hoops, of this place, picked up a man on the road named John Ross, formerly of White Pine, but more recently working in the Sevier mines. It appears from his story that about a fortnight ago he and his partner left the Sevier mines with the intention of going to Arizona. On their way, when near Circle Valley, they were attacked by six Indians. A fight ensued and Ross' partner was killed. Ross crawled into the brush and hid there for two days. He lived for thirteen days on choke cherries and other wild fruit, and when picked up by Brother Hoops was much exhausted. His clothes were torn to shreds and his body badly scratched."

**COMING HOME.**—We are led to believe that Bishop John Sharp, having completed his business at Boston, may very shortly be expected home.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY.

**THE POWELL EXPEDITION.**—We have received the following dispatch through the Deseret Telegraph Line:

"The three men supposed to be killed by Indians were named O. G. Howland, Seneca Howland and W.H. Dunn. They left the party 80 miles above the mouth of the Virgin to walk to the settlements, since which nothing has been heard from them. It is possible, however, that the men said to be killed belonged to some other party, as nothing yet has been found to identify them, and there are many prospectors in the mountains to the north of St. George. The exploring party reached the mouth of the Virgin forty-eight hours after they left for the mountains, having had good success in the objects for which the expedition was made. No men were lost on the river, the rations were not quite exhausted on their arrival. No Indians were seen on the trip. Major Powell and his brother are on their way to Salt Lake City. The other members of the party have gone with the boats to Fort Mohave."

**THE MUSTER.**—Yesterday, a portion of the troops of General Burton's division of the Nauvoo Legion, assembled on the military parade ground situated on the east bank of the Jordan river, where a general review and inspection of arms took place, followed by an election of officers. The weather was very pleasant though rather warm, and had it not been for the death of Brother John Goddard, of the 3d Infantry, noticed in the News yesterday, the muster would have been a very pleasant affair. This event, however, threw gloom over the whole camp, destroyed all zest in the exercises of the day, and filled every person present with regret and sorrow.

A PERPLEXED INQUIRER wants to know if it's the square thing for a man to take charge of animals which have strayed on to

his land, when said land had no fence on it, no dwelling place, and no hay upon it, rendering it impossible for the "critters" to do harm? Perplexed Inquirer's animals were taken in charge by a conscientious individual under the above circumstances, brought to the city, and he was charged damages. He can't see the justice of the thing. Can anybody else?

**CONTEMPTIBLE.**—James Sadler who keeps a little provision store on First South Street was brought before his Honor Alderman Clinton charged with using false weights. It appeared from the evidence that Sadler was guilty of the contemptible littleness of swindling the public by using too sets of scales, the one for buying, the other for selling. As a sample of his manner of doing things, one witness stated that he once borrowed some molasses of Sadler, who said it was a gallon, but on weighing it, he, witness, found it to be only seven and a half pounds. The court, considering the charge proved, fined Sadler \$25.

Served him right; pity the fine hadn't been five times as much. Such fellows must be taught severely, that honesty is the best policy.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY.

**SABBATH MEETINGS.**—Yesterday the congregations were addressed in the morning by Elders E. F. Sheets, Joseph Young, Sen., and S.A. Woolley; and in the afternoon by Elders H. W. Naisbitt and Nathaniel H. Felt.

**THE PRESIDENT'S PARTY.**—The company reached Willard City shortly after one o'clock on Friday afternoon, when meeting was at once held in the bowery. Elder Woodruff, President Young, President Wells and Elder G. Q. Cannon addressed the congregation. Shortly after the company started for Brigham City, and on the way were met by President Snow, accompanied by a company of cavalry and lancers, two bands of music, large wagons filled with children carrying banners with appropriate mottoes, etc. On entering the city almost the entire population turned out to greet them. On Saturday two meetings were held. In the morning President G. A. Smith and Elder G. Q. Cannon spoke, and in the afternoon Presidents Young and Wells and Elder Woodruff addressed the assembled Saints. Yesterday forenoon the congregation was addressed by President G. A. Smith, Elders F. D. Richards and Thomas Taylor and President Young; in the afternoon by Presidents Geo. A. Smith and D. H. Wells, Elders Woodruff and Richards and President Young. The meetings were excellent, there was a very full attendance, the weather was bright and clear. The party started on the return trip, after the afternoon's meeting, reaching Ogden at seven o'clock, which city they again left at nine o'clock this morning, stopping to dine at Farmington.

**SERIOUS ACCIDENT.**—On Saturday afternoon, as we learn from a brother of the young man, Charles Howard, had his foot crushed in a thrashing machine. He was standing upon the horse-power, watching some trial movements after the repairing of a break, and his foot slipping, was caught in the cogs of a wheel. Dr. Anderson was called upon immediately, who amputated the foot at the instep. We regret to learn, this afternoon, that it is probable the amputation will have to be repeated at the ankle. Though a great sufferer, he exhibits a remarkable degree of fortitude. He had been running the machine, which belongs to Bishop Raleigh, on shares.

**ELDER HYDE'S MISSION TO JERUSALEM.**—The sketch of the travels and ministry of Elder Orson Hyde to Jerusalem, written by him shortly after his return, has been out of print for several years, and being a work of great interest to the Latter-day Saints, and to all looking forward to the restoration of Israel to the home of their forefathers,—the land given to them for an everlasting inheritance; a new edition has been issued, in pamphlet form, which can be obtained at this office, or of Elder Orson Hyde, Sanpete county.

**HOW TO GET MONEY.**—We understand that the great showman, P. T. Barnum, Esq., is about to visit the Pacific coast and en route will give Utah's Chief city a passing glance. It is quite possible that when here he may give us his well known lecture entitled "Money getting or success in life." There would be a great many of our citizens who would be pleased to hear Mr. Barnum if he could only tell them how to get some money at the present time, especially what is due to them by the Railroad Companies.

**HOPE FOR SINNERS IN ZION.**—A very large missionary excursion party is being talked about in the East,—a party which will comprise one hundred missionaries and laymen, who are to preach on their journey to and on their arrival on the Pacific coast. The Cincinnati *Gazette* says "we have heard of shrewd business transactions under the guise of religion, but it remained for Chicago to call a pleasure excursion a missionary enterprise. Some one in that city appeals in behalf of a missionary excursion by a hundred missionaries and laymen to California. It is proposed to hold meetings on the way out and all along the coast of California, and to gather money enough from the churches to pay the bills we suppose."

Of course, Salt Lake, beyond all doubt, will be a special object of interest to these reverend gentlemen and their friends. If they come bearing the olive branch of peace and preaching doctrines, not their own, but those of Him who spake as never man spake, they will not be unwelcome in Salt Lake. The Latter-day Saints are willing to listen to truth, from whatever source it may come, and are always ready to extend the hand of friendship to all who in sincerity are striving to ameliorate the condition, and to save the souls and bodies, of their fellow creatures.

**A PROMISING YIELD.**—We are informed by Brother William Wagstaff that he has tested a new variety of winter wheat, which gives assurance of proving a valuable accession to the varieties of this cereal already known in Utah. From six pounds of the new variety, put in the ground the last of November, 1868, with a hand drill, he has raised seven bushels of as handsome grain as he has ever seen. The kernels are large and plump. The six pounds were sown on thirty square rods of ground. It was harvested on the 7th of July last. The wheat was of the Tappahannock variety, furnished him by Bro. James McKnight, who obtained it from the Commissioner of Agriculture, Washington. It was sown in a dark loamy soil; has the peculiar merit of yielding highly satisfactory returns upon its first trial; and may prove of incalculable value to our farmers, so many of whom are just now feeling after something reliable in the line of a winter variety of wheat. Will Brother Wagstaff please tell us how many pounds it weighs to the bushel?

Correspondence.

LOGAN, Sept. 8, 1869.

*Editor Deseret News.*—I herewith forward you a copy of some resolutions passed at a public meeting held by the citizens of this place on the 1st instant, Bishop Peter Maughan presiding:

1st. *Be it resolved,* That in consequence of the great destruction of our crops the last three or four years by grasshoppers, blackbirds, cattle, etc., also the prospect of an abundance of grasshoppers next season, we do hereby unanimously agree to convert the farming land in Logan ward into a Co-operative Farm for the term of one year.

2d. That so much of our land as may be necessary, best adapted to the raising fall wheat, be selected in one body, that each man's portion or crop of wheat will join with his neighbor's.

3d. That land for corn, potatoes and other spring crops shall be selected and controlled on the same principle as that for wheat, that we may plow, plant and sow together and be united in our efforts to battle with the destroyer of our crops in whatever way he may present himself.

Bishop Wm. B. Preston was elected President, and T. H. Smith, B. M. Lewis, Henry Ballard and B. Wolfenstein his assistants to carry the above resolutions into effect.

Bishop Maughan said that the first field cultivated at Wellsville was controlled on the same principle as that contained in those resolutions, and the result was, they raised enough of wheat the first season to supply them with bread for three years.

Some excellent remarks were made by the bishops and citizens, all of whom were confident of success in producing as large a crop as had been raised in the past, with one-third less labor, by working on the co-operative system. The meeting then adjourned.

G. L. FARRELL, Reporter.

The latest counterfeit is got up by cutting a bill in two in the middle, and using a counterfeit half in pasting it together. So one half is genuine and the other half counterfeit. St. Joseph, Missouri, has that kind of money.

Broom Makers Wanted Immediately.

ONE or more, who understand the best modes and can take charge of the manufacture of six or eight thousand BROOMS, to compete in quality with Eastern market.

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ESTRAYS.

CAME to my enclosure about the 1st of July, 1869, One Matched Span of White HORSES, branded J with an X formed on the lower part of the J.

Also one Dark Bay or Brown MULE, branded X on left thigh; roached mane.

The owner can obtain his property by calling upon me and paying expenses.

ISAAC BULLOCK, Provo City, Utah Co.