

## Local and Other Matters.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, JUNE 8.

**The Anti-Mormon "Ring."**—There is rather an anomalous condition of things in Utah, is there not?

Yes, rather, a combination of unscrupulous adventurers, commonly known as the "anti-Mormon ring" endeavor to keep up a continual state of fermentation in the community, and create prejudice abroad against the "Mormons." This howling and snarling of the insignificant few against the respectable many, who are quietly and peacefully attending to their own business, is like the barking of a small dog at something infinitely superior to itself. The object at which the snapping and barking is directed feels not the slightest alarm or discomfort, and the little canine specimen exhausts itself with its fruitless exertion, and it generally receives a well administered official kick, from some such sensible man as General Crook, when it sneaks off with a depressed caudal appendage.

What kind of material is this "ring" composed of; are there any substantial citizens in it?

We don't know of any. There may be one or two men of substance who pretend to be in sympathy with it, but if there be any such it is mere pretension on their part, put on to save themselves from being bespattered with abuse from the "ring" organ. It is to the interest of substantial men to oppose the schemes of the rabid anti-"Mormon" crew. Were they to get the special legislation they ask for, the affairs of the Territory would soon be chaotic, the chief reason for which they want such a law being, to give them an opportunity to steal the people's money. There is one thing that the members of the "ring" shine in, that is in lying. If there were such a thing as a premium in the world for the most expert falsifier, justice would demand that it should be awarded to a member of that combination.

The leaders of this anti-"Mormon" combination, particularly, what kind of men are they?

They belong to a class that is capable of conferring a great blessing upon any part of the American Union—by stopping away from it. It is the same class who might have conferred a great boon upon the heretofore unhappy South, by stopping in the North. Such is the nature of the class generally denominated by the euphonious title of "carpet-baggers." It is a notable fact that nearly every one of the leaders of the "ring" belong to that blood-seeking fraternity. Nearly all of them have been or are now federal officers. Those who have been deposed from office, without any hope of re-installment, in a federal capacity, want a local office. They know the people would not accommodate them with their votes, and therefore they want the "Mormons" disfranchised, so that they can get an office independent of the voice or choice of the people. This class are far, very far from hungering and thirsting after righteousness, but are constantly hungering and thirsting after office, which means, in their particular case, a chance to steal with small risk of punishment.

Are there not some apostate "Mormons" in the "ring"?

There may be a few of that kind, but when they are used it is merely as tools, the genuine "carpet-bag ringite" having no fondness whatever for that class. They are willing to use them when they are necessary, but are ready to drop them like "hot potatoes," when they cease to be handy. Occasionally the real feeling between the parties is manifested. Three or four years ago there was a secret society formed by the "ring," which was known as the "G. L. U.," the main object of which was the assassination of the leaders of the "Mormon" Church. Each member of that organization, when he appeared at its meetings, which were supposed to be secret, was admitted by password and on showing a badge, a piece of blue ribbon, with an insignia printed on it, in bronze letters. We have seen one of them. A rule of this secret organization was that not only no "Mormon," but no person who had ever at any time been a "Mormon," should be admitted to membership, the reason being that the "ring" considered that an apostate "Mormon" could not be fully trusted.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY, JUNE 9.

**On the Way.**—The Omaha Herald of the 6th inst. says, "Bishop John Sharp, of Salt Lake, superintendent of the Utah Central Railroad, passed through the city yesterday on his way east."

**A L-aborer.**—General Crook thinks there is no danger of a Mormon rebellion, and that the New York Herald correspondent, who claims to have been assassinated, is l-aboring under some kind of hallucination.—Cheyenne Leader.

**Postponed.**—Dr. Alma B. Dunford will not leave for Europe until the 1st of July. He will, in the meantime, be pleased to see his friends and patrons at the dental office of Dr. Sharp, first door east of this office.

**Base Ball.**—The Metropolitans beat the Resolutes yesterday with a score of 25 to 11. It is understood that a match game between the former club and the Draperville nine is on the tapis, and will occur shortly.

The long postponed game between the champions, the Deserets and the Rough and Readys, will soon take place, the latter having been recently organized for the season.

**Horrible!**—A learned professor, writing to the Herald of this morning, about the kidnapping case, says—

"Since reading the article from the Second Ward I have taken pains to examine the little girl Ursula, and the evidences of outrageous and criminal brutality cover her body from head to foot, in the form of bruises, welts and broken skin, and a little girl nine years old!"

This is dreadful! The bruises and broken skin are bad enough. But to be "covered from head to foot with a little girl nine years old," is something fearful to contemplate!

**Exhibition.**—There was a crowded audience at the 20th Ward Schoolhouse last night, on the occasion of the exhibition given by the pupils of Prof. Lewis' school. The exercises—songs, duets, recitations, dialogues, charades, &c., were creditably rendered, eliciting frequent and hearty applause.

Occasional exhibitions of this character are beneficial, having an educational tendency. The committing and rendering of the pieces is an intellectual exercise, and the appearance of the children before a public audience wears off the awkwardness common to youth, cultivating ease of deportment.

Prof. Lewis has a good school, in which excellent order is preserved.

**Supreme Court.**—Saturday, June 9th, morning.

On motion of O. F. Strickland, P. J. Barrett was admitted to practice in this Court.

S. S. Walker et al. vs. Hamburg-Bremen Fire Ins. Co.; written motion of L. Burnes, for appellant, filed this day, to supply defects in the transcripts herein, was submitted and overruled.

In the same suit the motion on the part of the respondents, submitted yesterday, was allowed.

A motion of Lewis Burnes, for appellants, that this cause be continued till next term of this court was overruled.

The same cause coming on for hearing, was argued, on the amended transcript, for the appellants by Lewis Burnes, and for the respondents by C. W. Bennett; taken under advisement.

**Santaquin.**—Brother D. S. Andrew, of Santaquin, called to-day, and handed us the following notes, concerning that place—

"On June 5th we had a visit from Elder John Taylor, of the Twelve, and the Presidency of the Stake of Utah Co., for the more complete organization of the Priesthood. There was a good meeting.

"Bishop Geo. Halladay recommends the sowing of lucern, and the planting of mulberry trees. Eight hundred of the latter have been planted, and several acres of the former. The Bishop with the president of the 'Relief Society,' have gone this day, Saturday, to American Fork, in the interest of silk raising.

"We have organized a theological class, to meet on Sunday mornings, for the Y. M. M. I. Association. It is well attended, and promises to be a success.

"A company is travelling through the settlement with \$150 parcels of

dry goods, for which they take notes at three months. Look after them. 'A word to the wise.'"

**The Juvenile Case.**—Last evening the case wherein two boys named Saddler and one named Crane were charged with stealing a number of articles from a vacant house formerly occupied by John W. Young, Esq., came up before Justice Pyper. The evidence showed that a portion of the articles, principally toys, were recovered from the residence of the Saddler boys, and some from a toy house at the rear of Mr. Crane's premises, and not in his store. The testimony clearly proved, beyond the slightest doubt, that Mr. Crane was not aware of their being there, and had no knowledge whatever of the matter. Neither had Mrs. Crane, who had been ill and confined to bed for some time.

The excellent reputation of Mr. and Mrs. Crane for honesty and fair dealing makes this explanation unnecessary, but we give it lest there might be a wrong impression with regard to the matter.

A fine was inflicted upon each of the boys and the goods were returned to their owner.

**Hyrum.**—This morning we received a call from Brother Charles C. Shaw, of Hyrum, Cache County. He informs us that the grasshoppers are pretty thick in the southern portion of Cache generally. They have probably destroyed nearly one-third of the field crops. The gardens and orchards are yet almost untouched by them. The insects have come out in patches. The people have fought them, destroying myriads by birch drags, burning with straw, pits in the ground, gunny-sack traps, driving into water sects and other contrivances.

Every storm has brought out a fresh batch. They will probably be ready to fly in a little over a week, when people in this City may possibly receive a call from old acquaintances.

Notwithstanding the ravages of the insects the people of Cache will probably raise an abundance. No irrigation whatever has been needed this season, the frequent rains being sufficient to moisten the soil. Had it not been for the operations of the "ironclads" the crops would have been so abundant that the people would scarcely have had room for the product. The grain remaining untouched looks splendid.

Last Monday President Moses Thatcher, and Counselor W. B. Preston visited Hyrum and organized the priesthood of the Ward. Among other business done Elder James McBride, was set apart as First Counselor to Bishop O. N. Liljenquist, and was appointed acting Bishop, in the absence, on a mission, of the latter. Elder James Unsworth was selected and set apart as Second Counselor to the Bishop.

**A Nuisance.**—Every "once in a while" parties who follow the profession of surgery and pay occasional visits to this City have a singularly obnoxious, not to say disgusting, method of advertising their business. They flood the City with large circulars, on which are numerous cuts of almost every contortion, deformity, and malformation with which any human form has been afflicted. So general is the diffusion of these hideous-looking pictures that they are found lying around in stores, in lots and upon the public streets.

Such papers should not thus be circulated. Under some circumstances they are calculated to work harm to ladies, and we are of opinion that such a questionable, repulsive and probably injurious method of advertising should not be allowed, or should at least be curtailed.

In this connection it may be well to repeat what we have stated heretofore—that we have about as good skill among our home surgeons, as can generally be found in the country, they having proved their ability in the profession by numerous difficult and delicate operations, in which they have been successful, yet people will run after transient practitioners from abroad, who are not likely to be in advance of them. In fact the probabilities are in the other direction.

We presume if a number of our home surgeons were to combine under the style of some surgical institute with a high sounding name, and travel around as itinerants they would attract as much attention as any others who adopt

that system of making money. The amount of success in that capacity does not generally, if ever, depend upon the extent of professional ability, but of pretension.

To return to objectionable modes of advertising, we take occasion, in this connection, of mentioning a piece of impertinence that has been resorted to. We refer to the action of parties in placing in private newspaper boxes professional cards, on which is printed the assertion that the persons thus advertising their business treat all kinds of disgusting and loathsome diseases. This is an invasion of the private premises of citizens, and is an act that cannot be characterized as other than a piece of the grossest impudence, for which the perpetrator should be adequately punished.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY, JUNE 11.

**Going West.**—Elders Samuel H. B. Smith and Rodney C. Badger expect to leave for California, on a mission, to-morrow afternoon. Elder Job Smith, who was called, at the late General Conference, to go to the same part, started for his field of labor several days ago.

**Emigrant Fare.**—The following is from the *Millennial Star* of May 21—

"By cablegram from Elder Joseph F. Smith in New York, en route to England, we are informed that through fares from Liverpool to Ogden are unchanged, being the same as last year—for adults £14 16s.

**On the Weber.**—John Robinson writes from Coalville, Summit County, June 6—

"All is quiet on the Weber. No excitement, although there has been so much rain that the farmers don't get a chance to irrigate. The crops look well, so the farmers seem satisfied and keep cool."

**No Excitement.**—The *Record* is chary about raising excitements of which no good can come, and therefor denounced the "drilling" sensation as gotten up by a Salt Lake paper. The *Record* did not demand troops to protect Corinne from a Mormon insurrection, for from the first it denied that any such uprising was imminent.—*Corinne Record*, June 9.

**Returned.**—Elder E. R. Young returned to his home, in Wanship, last Thursday, having been on a mission to the eastern states, upon which he started about two months ago. He is in the City, having come in on Saturday. While east he labored in New York, Connecticut and New Jersey. He held several public meetings. He says that there was a considerably excited feeling against the "Mormons," until the New York Herald reporter assassination canard reached there, when it flattened out, the almost universal exclamation being, "Too thin."

**Juvenile Instructor.**—We have received number 12, current volume, of this excellent children's paper.

It has the "Enthronement of Josiah" (illustrated), "Jottings by the Way," "Travels in India," "Joseph Smith, the Prophet," "Editorial Thoughts," "Tombs in Palestine" (illustrated), "Sunday Lessons for Little Learners," "Incidents of a Mission," "Letter from Uncle Ernest," "Questions and Answers" on the Book of Mormon and Bible, "A Jubilee Song," words by J. K. Hall and music by T. C. G., besides considerable other matter, interesting and instructive.

**Sudden Death.**—On Saturday afternoon, a woman named Mrs. Amy Miller, residing in this city, feeling somewhat unwell, retired. Yesterday morning she was found still sleeping, and, in fact, never awoke, expiring, without a groan or struggle, at half past nine. An inquest was held by coroner Taylor and a jury, the verdict being that deceased came to her death from natural causes. "She had been troubled a good deal, for some time past, with a severe pain in her side.

Mrs. Amy Miller was sixty-eight years of age, formerly of London, England. She was married to a man named Sanzie, from whom she was divorced about twenty years since, and by whom she raised a family, most of whom are now living in California.

**Destroyers!**—The destroying angels are abroad! They are coming this way. They are armed and legged and winged—as orthodox angels should be—and fully equipped for war. Their manœuvres are not

exactly according to the manual, but they act in concert and their march is irresistible. On the sand ridge between this city and Ogden they are out on parade. But the engine of the U. C. passenger train this morning dashed through their ranks with defiant sports, and countless numbers were done to death. Defunct hoppers covered the brass pump-mountings, and formed on the splashboards of the wheels, making a two-inch lining. They were big fellows, nearly ready for flight southward, until they met that locomotive and their quietus. If our worthy—and timid—governor would procure troops enough to crush this hopper "uprising" he would dissipate much rural alarm and render his name immortal.

**Organizing.**—The Presidency of this Stake, under the direction of the First Presidency and Twelve Apostles, are visiting the several Wards of this City, and the county generally, and affecting a more complete organization of the local priesthood.

**Recovering.**—We are pleased to be able to state that Mr. John Acomb, who was very severely injured in one of his legs, some time since, on the Utah Southern Railroad, is so far recovered as to be able to leave his room. It is a rare occurrence for a person to recover the use of a limb as badly mangled as his was.

**A Serious Accident.**—Last evening, between six and seven o'clock, as Eddie, a ten year old son of James Cushing, of the 11th Ward of this city, was returning from the ice house on the east bench, in company with four other small boys, upon a wagon loaded with ice, he jumped off the load and was climbing upon the wagon again, when his foot slipped between the spokes of the wheel, breaking his leg just above the knee.

Dr. W. F. Anderson was sent for, and set the limb. The little boy is doing as well as could be expected. The boys had gone from home without the knowledge of their parents.

**Diabolism.**—Yesterday morning a diabolism of Sugar House Ward found one of his horses and a cow dead. On examination a quantity of bran and pieces of a doughy substance were found in the manger of the stable, from which the horse fed, leading to the suspicion that the animals had been poisoned by some contemptible and malicious person. This supposition was almost confirmed into a reality by the discovery of similar substances in the yard where the cow was kept.

Fragments of the same stuff were also picked up at the place of the brother of the man who lost the horse and cow, and an animal belonging to him was also seized with violent sickness.

There is scarcely room for doubt that the animals were poisoned by the hand of some bitter, sneaking enemy of their owners. Persons who are capable of such a despicable, mean and cowardly act are of the lowest and most repulsive grade of humanity. Their villainy is of the double distilled essence of the element, impregnated with the lowest and basest type of moral and physical cowardice.

It is to be hoped that the perpetrator of such a sneaking atrocity will be discovered and punished as he richly deserves.

**Tabernacle.**—Elder George Q. Cannon preached yesterday afternoon.

He prefaced his discourse by reading a portion of a revelation, given through Joseph Smith, April 6th, 1830, the day the Church was organized in this last dispensation. The revelation is published in the Book of Doctrine and Covenants, commencing on page 112, new edition, and should be read attentively and reflected upon by all Latter-day Saints.

Elder Cannon delivered a very clear and forcible discourse upon the beauty and harmony of the Gospel of Christ as revealed from the heavens, and as compared with the incongruous and inconsistent religious systems devoid of the vital principle of divine authority and revelation.

The speaker concluded with a powerful appeal to the Latter-day Saints to be diligent in the discharge of their duties, and especially to the various officers of the Church, to bear their portion of the responsibility of banishing evil from among the community, and not let it rest solely upon the First Presidency and Twelve Apostles.