

**RUMORED VISIT OF DR. NEWMAN.**

SEVERAL allusions have been made of late in the public journals to the proposed visit of Dr. Newman, of Washington, to this city for the purpose of holding a public discussion on the principal of celestial marriage, or as it is called, polygamy. Some of those who have written upon this subject, seem to be under the impression that Mr. Newman has been challenged to come here and discuss, and that it is in acceptance of that challenge that he proposes to visit this city. What share the Doctor has had in putting this idea in circulation we cannot say. We first saw a statement made in the New York *Herald* to the effect that Dr. Newman had received a challenge from the authorities of the Church in this place to come here and discuss the subject of polygamy, and that in response to it he was making the necessary preparations to come here and hold a discussion.

This we knew to be untrue, so far as the challenge being sent from here was concerned, and we also knew that Dr. Newman must have been aware of the falsity of the statement, and that, if necessary, he would deny it. This was our reason for suffering the article to pass without notice. But it seems that Dr. Newman is willing, if not desirous, that the impression should prevail throughout the country that he is coming out here for the purpose of holding a discussion, on the principle mentioned, and that his visit is in response to an invitation or challenge to take effect from here; for dispatches have been sent over the wires stating that he was preparing to come; and the last, published a few days ago, stated that he was going "to start the next day for California, stopping at Salt Lake City to debate with the champions of polygamy."

Now, there is not the slightest objection to Dr. Newman or any other respectable Christian minister of character and standing coming here and speaking in our Tabernacle, and to our congregation upon any principle which he holds as a part of his religion; and we do not presume there would be the least objection to his speaking against any principle in which we believe, so long as he confined himself to the Bible, and his language and arguments were courteous and fair. From the earliest days of our settlement of this country, ministers of every denomination, who were men of respectability and standing among their own people, have had this liberty freely accorded them whenever they requested it, and frequently without asking for it. Apostates from the truth—for reasons which are patent to every person of reflection—are the only class who have been denied this privilege. But our elders, in their visits to the East, have not had equal liberality extended to them. One gentleman, to whom at his request, the privilege of speaking twice was accorded on one Sunday last Summer, when visited by our Elders after his return home peremptorily refused to give them the use of his meeting house, and scarcely treated them with ordinary civility. In nearly every instance when ministers have been appealed to for the use of their meeting houses, the results have been similar.

If Dr. Newman should come here to lecture, we suggest that before he have the privilege of the Tabernacle accorded him, he shall pledge himself to grant to any Elder of reputation and standing in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints the same opportunity of speaking in his church and to his congregation in Washington City, whenever the request shall be made of him; he, of course, reserving the right, as we do here, of replying to or following him in his remarks. Dr. Newman, or somebody for him, wishes the country to understand that he is coming here to lecture. He is preceded by a great flourish of trumpets, and it is looked upon as a matter of course that he will have the Tabernacle and the congregation to listen to him. We do not know whether he is coming or not, or, if he does come, whether he will be desirous to speak or not; but if he does, he ought to ask for nothing here that he would not be willing to grant in return at Washington. These one-sided favors, however good the disposition may be that prompts them, inevitably become tiresome after awhile.

**THE JUST REWARD OF SEDUCTION.**

AN item appeared in our telegraphic dispatches not long since respecting the shooting of a son-in-law, Benjamin H. Lindsay, by his father-in-law, Captain William H. Hayward, for seduction, at Chester, a village on the Richmond and

Petersburg Railroad, Virginia. It appears that Lindsay had been at Richmond, and on his return called at his father-in-law's, where the girl who had been seduced had been delivered of a male child about an hour before. Hayward invited him up stairs with the remark that there was a young man up there who desired to see him. He led him into the young lady's room, where she was in bed and a physician was sitting in a chair beside her. Hayward led Lindsay up to the bedside, and turning down the sheet showed him the child, at the same time remarking: "Let me introduce you to your son—the victim of your villainy."

Lindsay seemed overwhelmed with guilt and despair. He sat himself down on the bed, looked at the child and the mother, but said not a word.

Hayward sternly demanded, "Are you the father of this child?"

Lindsay said, "If she says so, I reckon I am."

Hayward then turned to his daughter and asked, "My daughter, I ask you, in the presence of this man, is he the father of the child?"

She replied, "He is."

Hayward then meaningly faced Lindsay and inquired "if he had anything in justification of his crime to say." Lindsay rejoined quite coolly, "I must have time to consider;" and Hayward told him, "I will give you time." He waited about three minutes.

Lindsay still kept his chair and Hayward was standing near the head of the bed. The Doctor retained his seat. Hayward repeated, "Have you anything to say?" and upon Lindsay saying that he had not, and that he supposed the child was his, drew from his right pantaloons pocket a four barreled pistol and deliberately fired at Lindsay, who still retained his position upon the bedside. The first two shots missed him; the third hit him in the thigh, the fourth in the abdomen, when Lindsay fell back upon the bed, begging that he should be troubled no more as he had got his death wound. He was afterwards carried by the doctor and his brother-in-law into another room. He expressed great penitence for his crime; said he knew he was going to die and did not blame Hayward for what he had done. He died the next morning. It appeared at the examination that Lindsay's intimacy with the girl he had seduced had commenced previous to his marriage with her sister; he confessed to having taken plans to prevent discovery, but they had miscarried; he stated that after his marriage to her sister he had taken no liberties with her. He told one of his friends, who called upon him after he was shot, that there was one portion of the Bible which is true, and that was where it says: "The way of the transgressor is hard." The Commonwealth's attorney, Colonel Ambers, though on the side of the prosecution, after listening to the evidence, addressed the presiding magistrate and recommended that the prisoner be discharged at once. He said:

"There was no jury which could be empanelled on God's earth, white or black, savage or civilized, which would find the accused guilty of murder. The feelings of a father rise up in every man's bosom against the commission of such foul crimes. He did not think this was a case in which either the public morals or public safety required the accused to be set on. He should be discharged. Then it would warn men of libidinous appetites that when they do these deeds they do them not only at the risk of an avenging father, but of an avenging public also."

The Magistrate discharged the prisoner.

**LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.**

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY

**TWENTY-FOURTH IN THE SETTLEMENTS.**—We have received letters detailing the proceedings of the Celebration on Monday, from Bountiful, Brigham City, Provo, American Fork, Nephi, Juab County, Coalville, Summit County, and Pleasant Grove, Utah Co. We should be glad to oblige our correspondents and our readers in the several settlements by publishing the proceedings in full, but space and time forbid. From a perusal of the various letters, we are apprised that the Celebration was one of the most hearty, joyous and general that has ever taken place in our history, and we are pleased to hear that the Saints have shown such appreciation of the importance of the labor consummated twenty-three years last Sunday by the Pioneers.

The exercises of the day in the various settlements were very similar to those in this city, consisting of processions of the several religious and civil authorities, citizens and Sunday schools; orations, music, vocal and instrumental, besides toasts, dancing, firing of cannon, etc.

At Pleasant Grove the orator of the day was Bishop John Brown; the committee of arrangements was B. W. Driggs, Lewis Harvey and M. L. Pratt; Chaplain, G. Holladay; Marshal, Joseph L. Foutz; Reporter, James Armitstead.

The orator at Coalville was Alma Smith; A. Hinkley, T. Dobson, J. Fisher and others took a prominent part in promoting the general joy.

At Fayette, Bishop Horne was the principal speaker. A social dinner was a conspicuous feature in the day's festivity at this place.

The committee of the day at Brigham City was composed of Bishop Nichols, Alderman J. T. Packer and W. Box, Esq. Mayor Loveland acted as Marshal; A. Christensen was Reporter.

At Provo the committee of arrangements was composed of the following gentlemen: R. R. Hopkins, W. B. Pace, L. John Nuttall, W. N. Dusenberry, D. H. Ramsey, Peter Stubbs and David John.

The following named gentlemen acted in the same capacity at American Fork: James Hoggard, Stephen Mott, John Durrant, Alva Green and George H. Robinson. John Peters was Reporter on the occasion.

The orator of the day at Bountiful was Elder Benjamin Ashby.

At Nephi Messrs. C. Sperry, John Klenke and David Cazier acted as committee of arrangements, and Thomas Ord Reporter.

**PAINFUL ACCIDENT.**—By letter from Bro. Armitstead, Pleasant Grove, we regret to learn that a somewhat painful accident occurred, on the morning of the celebration, to Joseph, son of Bro. C. W. Moor, of that city. While the boy was preparing to fire his piece, to join in a salute, it was discharged accidentally, blowing off the finger of his left hand. Dr. Riggs, of Provo, was speedily in attendance and, under his treatment the youth was progressing favorably.

**A CURE FOR CATERPILLARS ON FRUIT TREES.**—Brother Alexander Wright, of Virgin City, Kane County, a man of large experience as a fruit grower, sends the following, which may be of great value to many of our readers:

"Having read in the NEWS that the worms are destroying the apple trees, I send the following recipe to destroy them: Bore a hole in the tree with a gimlet, in depth one-third of the diameter of the tree; fill the hole with flour of sulphur and plug it with a wooden peg. This being decomposed and circulated with the sap, it is exhaled by the leaves, poisoning all the caterpillars and other insects preying upon the tree."

**LOOK OUT FOR HIM!**—Steam has wonderfully facilitated travel from Utah to the East, and from the East to Utah, and one result has been a more numerous influx of lecturers, showmen and persons of that class generally. This was expected, and when times are better here, they will be far more numerous than they have been. The latest importation that we have heard of is a professor of astrology, to whom Nature's arcana are no longer mysteries, and who professes to have the power to tell all about past, present or future, to any and all who are green enough to pay the required fee.

It may be that the writing of this notice will defeat one purpose we have in view,—that of hindering this fellow from swindling any anxious to know what time alone can unravel; for it is a rule without an exception, that the more a nuisance is kicked the worse it stinks. It will, however, most certainly answer part of our design,—prepare some for this fellow's visits, and put them on their guard, if he attempts to carry out a game which we heard of this morning. In one of the upper wards of this city, last evening, during the absence of the head of the house this imposter called and made many impertinent inquiries respecting the private affairs of the family, and for aught we know, of the people in the vicinity. This course, we have no doubt, the fellow is compelled to take in order to answer the inquiries put to him when plying his calling.

If this were all the mischief likely to accrue it would not be of much consequence; but who knows that this knave is not one of a band of thieves, and that while ostensibly revealing the secrets acquired from his acquaintance with the stars, he is noting places to which he may direct accomplices in carrying on a business more nefarious than fortune telling.

This professor has got to the wrong field, and the very best thing he can do is to vamose this ranch. "Mormons" view with very great distrust the prying visits of strangers to their dwellings, and if this individual will take good advice he will cease such visits as that paid by him last night in the 20th Ward.

**ITEMS FROM THE MILLENNIUM STAR.**—The following items are from the *Star* of the 5th ult:

A small company of 20 souls of the Saints left this port, June 28th, per steamship *Colorado*, for New York, one family only going right through to Utah. Elder George Naylor, accompanied by his mother, also embarked on the same vessel, on his return from a visit to this country.

From the *Scandinaviens Stjerne* of July 1, we learn that the following Elders have been released from their respective fields of labor with permission to return home—Lauritz Larsen, C. D. Fjeldsted, S. Pedersen, M. Mortensen, James Jensen, Carl Larsen, Eric Johaa Pehrson, John H. Hou-

gaard, and L. P. Borg; that Elder Jacob H. Jensen has been appointed Pres. over Aalborg, Elder John Ehrngren over Jonkoping, Elder Peter Madsen over Aarhus, and Elder Mons Andersen over Christiania Conferences; and that Elders Soren Christensen Thyra, and Michel C. Christensen are appointed Traveling Elders in Aalborg Conference, and Elder P. O. Thomassen to assist in the *Scandinaviens Stjerne* Office.

**FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY.**

**ROAD AGENTS AT WORK.**—By courtesy of T. F. Tracy, Esq., Wells Fargo's agent, in this city, we are enabled to lay the following telegrams, received by him over the W. U. line, before our readers:

"Snake River, Idaho, July 29.

**T. F. TRACY:**  
Coach was attacked last night; passenger killed, driver wounded, treasure saved.  
"Helena, M. T., July 29.

**T. F. TRACY:**  
Coach attacked last night near Pleasant Valley; did not get box; six robbers; driver and one passenger wounded."

**ACCIDENTS.**—At Millville, Cache county, two serious accidents occurred last Monday. One to a young man, who had the back part of his skull seriously fractured by the bursting of his gun, which he had loaded heavily and, contrary to the advice of friends, would persist in firing. There were some hopes that his injuries would not prove fatal. The other accident befell a boy—while leading a horse through a gateway, the gate fell upon and broke his leg. The name of neither of the unfortunates is given, and the particulars, so far as we are able to give them, are from a letter written by Bro. Joseph Humphreys.

**FROM MONDAY'S DAILY.**

**CHILDREN'S SUMMER DISEASES.**—The time at which that terrible class of Summer diseases,—the cholera infantum, dysentery, and diarrhoea, usually makes its appearance, is now close at hand. To-day is the first of August,—the month in which these diseases commence their attacks upon the children. Would it not be well for parents to bethink themselves and adopt every possible precaution to ward off their ravages and preserve the health and lives of their children? The garden or orchard, surrounding nearly every house here, is one feature specially attractive in our city, and the abundance of the various kinds of fruit grown therein is a great blessing to the people. But valuable and healthful as fruit is, when matured or ripe, it is very different when green or crude, and here is where the danger to children comes in; for they must play, and wherever fruit is grown they will pluck and eat, regardless of its being ripe or unripe, healthy or dangerous. This danger is heightened, as it has been the past two or three seasons, by the tainting of the fruit by the locusts, and hence the tremendous necessity for the strictest watchfulness on the part of parents to prevent their children being injured by the produce of the orchard. The greatest of care should also be exercised by mothers who are nursing children that no food be eaten calculated in the least to lay a foundation for or to develop the germs of these terrible summer complaints through which so many have to mourn.

Another precaution within the reach of all, is not to partake of water too plentifully, especially while very hot. Parents must use their judgment for and on behalf of their children in this respect. Where creek water has to be used it might be very beneficial to have the water filtered, which may be very easily done in the following manner: procure three, burned but unglazed, flower pots, or vessels similar to them. Fill one with pulverized charcoal; another with charcoal and sand, and the last one with sand, and place them one over the other, the one containing the charcoal at the bottom, the sand and charcoal in the middle; and let water for drinking or culinary purposes be poured through this filter, and it will be cleansed from all organic impurities.

These precautions are within the reach of all, and if followed will tend to preserve health, and it may be life. The trouble is not much and when placed in the balance against the health and lives of children is not worth mentioning.

**THE ELECTION.**—The following special dispatch to the NEWS, of the returns of the votes cast in the settlements, up to 2 o'clock this afternoon, has been received by Deseret Telegraph line:

Logan	-	-	-	345
Kaysville	-	-	-	214
Payson	-	-	-	400
Springville	-	-	-	386
Mt. Pleasant	-	-	-	271
Nephi	-	-	-	174
Fillmore	-	-	-	162
Fairview	-	-	-	99
Moroni	-	-	-	44
Ogden	-	-	-	362
Manti	-	-	-	182
Scipio	-	-	-	117
Provo	-	-	-	531

The vote polled in this city, up to half past 2 o'clock was as follows: 1st Precinct 420; 2nd Precinct 700; 3rd Precinct 412; 4th Precinct 1118.