

## OUR OGDEN LETTER.

OGDEN CITY, Utah,  
Oct. 1, 1886.

Editor Deseret News:

October opened this morning gloomily and threateningly. The storm clouds loomed up darkly and ominously and a big rain seemed imminent. About noon the clouds burst, and the rain came, it seemed, in patches, for while it stormed heavily in one place it was dry in another but a short distance off. The atmosphere was quite cold while it lasted, which was but for a short time, when the "upper deep" became clear and bright.

For several days past the chief topic of talk has been the

## NEW DEPOT BUILDINGS

at Ogden, and which now, it would appear, have been commenced in earnest. Three days since at an informal meeting of the City Council several railroad magnates were present and laid before the members a plan of the intended establishments. They also made certain propositions to, and requests of, the Council, but no definite conclusions were reached on any of them. To-day the regular session of the Council convened. There was a full attendance of the members and officers, and, as usual, the Mayor presided on the occasion. I attended and took notes of a few of the most interesting items—or those which I thought would most interest the numerous readers of the DESERET NEWS, who like to be kept posted on matters as they transpire in our own Territory.

A petition was presented from the

## FIRE BRIGADE,

asking that their taxes be remitted for the current year. Their prayer was granted, as indeed it ought to have been, for it is little else they receive for their valuable services to the people of this municipality.

A petition was then presented and read from the Union Pacific Railway Company, of which the following is a copy:

To the Honorable, the Mayor and the City Council of Ogden City, Utah, greeting:

The Union Pacific Railway Company, respectfully represents that it has been excavating for the foundation of a Union Railway Depot in said city, immediately west of Wall Street and extending northerly and southerly entirely across Fifth Street; that the site of said building is correctly indicated upon the blue plat or map herewith presented. That it is the intention of your petitioner, the said Railway Company, to prosecute work on the said building continuously until the same is completed. That said structure cannot be erected while said Fifth Street, where the same passes across the site, that is used as at present. In consideration of the premises, your petitioner respectfully prays your honorable body to close and vacate, or authorize the closing up and vacating of so much of said Fifth Street as conflicts with the site of said depot buildings and sufficient additional space as may be necessary and convenient, for prosecuting the work of erecting the same.

Your petitioner proposes in connection with the vacation of Fifth Street, to keep open and maintain at its own expense a good wagon and carriage-way from Wall Street around the south end of the said depot buildings into said Fifth Street, west of said building and thereby providing access to the Union Pacific depot as it exists and is at present in use; and will continue to keep such roadway open and in good condition for the purposes of travel so long as the old or present depot continues to be used as such. Your petitioner further proposes during said period to make satisfactory arrangements with the street car company as to its track in said street, and relieve your honorable body from all questions arising out of the proposed interference with the line of said street car company.

Union Pacific Railway Company, per

P. L. WILLIAMS, Local Attorney.  
Dated Sept. 29th, 1886.

After some discussion, Councilor Ben E. Rich moved that the petition be granted. His motion was seconded. Alderman D. Dee, moved that the petition be referred to the committee on streets and that they report thereon at the next meeting. Further debate ensued, after which the motions were put to the meeting, which resulted in the Dee motion being lost and the petition of the company being granted.

It is proposed to close other streets west of this city for convenience of the company and protection of travelers; these are 4th, 3d and 2d Streets. If this is effectual, the closing will be permanent, and the travel to the west will be on First Street. It is also proposed to move the wagon road bridge that spans the Weber River west of Ogden City, and place it at some point north and opposite First Street. The Railway Company offer to move and set up the bridge again but they ask the city to build the approaches thereto. Nothing definite on these matters has been as yet reached, but I believe the council and citizens will accede to all these requests of the company so as not to place any obstacles or hindrances in the way of the construction of the buildings so much needed, and which have been so long pending, and the responsibility of the delay of which has been so often shifted alternately from

the shoulders of, the Union Pacific and Central Pacific companies respectively.

In the meantime the work of excavating is being prosecuted vigorously, and rock laying will commence as early as practicable.

According to the map or plat of the work which I have inspected, there are already forty tracks indicated, and quite a number more will be needed as the work proceeds. Thus it will be seen that the necessity for closing the streets indicated is absolute, for it would in all probability be fatal to many persons to attempt to cross those lines with teams. Some animals are fractious and become much frightened at the appearance of a railroad train and attempt to run away.

The Committee on Streets reported that the tramway was making satisfactory progress and that when completed it will very much lessen the expense of transporting rock, gravel, dirt, etc., from the eastern terminus to whatever locality in the city they may be needed. Arrangements are being made to open several new streets in the south part of the town, which, as well as other portions, is being built up rapidly and many valuable improvements are being made. Many other measures were discussed having for their end the general permanent improvement of the Junction City.

No stranger can appreciate the amount of labor and other means which have been expended on the streets, roads, canals, irrigating ditches, etc., in this town to make it what it is to-day, yet how willing many of them would be to see us vacate and let them settle down and reap the fruits of our hard toil and many sacrifices to establish homes for our families.

That those who now possess inheritances may ever appreciate and never sell them for a mess of pottage, is the desire of

WEBER.

## OGDEN OCCURRENCES.

A SERIES OF FATALITIES—THE UNION DEPOT.

OGDEN CITY, Utah,  
Oct. 3, 1886.

Editor Deseret News:

## THREE SUDDEN BEREAVEMENTS

have happened to as many families in this city in the space of about sixty hours. The monster death visited the peaceful homes and robbed each of them of one of their beloved ones. The first of these was the little infant son of Elder Wm. F. Critchlow, of the First Ward. The child was truly cut down like a tender flower. He was only eight months and eight days old. On Friday, the 1st instant, a number of children were rambling around near the home of Mr. Critchlow, in the vicinity of which grows in great quantities the jimson; they pulled some of the weed and took part of it into the house; the child got hold of it and naturally enough put it to its mouth. Shortly afterwards the infant was seized with violent sickness. Dr. Wm. L. McIntyre, the oldest physician in this city, was immediately called and after examining the little patient declared

## IT WAS POISONED.

The doctor did all that his knowledge and medical skill could suggest for the relief of the sufferer, but without avail. Death had struck a sure blow, and before the day expired put a period to its earthly existence. To-day the remains were committed to their final resting place in the Ogden cemetery. It is but a short time since Brother Critchlow was bereaved of a beloved daughter, who was cut down in the flower of her youth—she being only sixteen years of age.

## THE NEXT VICTIM

was the daughter of Mr. Wallace Foulger, who resides in the Second Ward. Some two weeks since she was stricken with paralysis. She suffered much from the effects of this stroke. She lingered along until this morning, when death by heart disease put an end to her mental pangs. She was only 15 years of age. I need not tell you that this is a severe affliction to their parents, who alone can appreciate truly their bereavements.

The third one against whose life the

## SHAFTS OF DEATH WERE HURLED

was Mrs. Julia Perkins, wife of Mr. T. A. Perkins, clerk of the First District Court in this city. The lady arose at her usual hour this morning. After a short time she stepped out of the house into the yard, when she felt sick and dizzy; she returned into the house, threw herself on the lounge, and called for a cup of coffee, which was furnished her. But feeling no better after taking the beverage, she sent for her mother, Mrs. Wm. Farrell, who resides in the east part of the city. The parents and other members of the family at once repaired to the bedside of the afflicted daughter. Medical aid—Dr. H. J. Powers—was called in, but when he reached the patient he immediately discovered that the case was hopeless. Of course he did all in his power to save her life. His efforts were futile, for about 11 o'clock a.m. the

## VITAL SPARK HAD FLED.

This lady resided in the Third Ward. At the time of her demise her husband was away from home. Yesterday in company with some other gentlemen, he left on a hunting excursion in the

northern part of Ogden Valley. As soon as possible after his wife was taken ill a messenger was dispatched in search of him, but he was too late to again behold her alive in mortality. Her affliction was heart disease. The time for the funeral of these two departed ones has not yet been announced.

These sudden, sad events have cast a gloom over the respective neighborhoods where they occurred. The families are all well known citizens of Ogden, and have the sympathy of the community in their sad bereavements.

On Saturday morning rumors were rife on the streets here that the night before a train

## HAD BEEN WRECKED

on the Central Pacific Railroad at or near a place called Bovine. All attempts to get at the facts, or to gain any particulars whatever, have thus far been in vain. All that I could ascertain to-day was that a train had been ditched, but that no lives were lost, neither were any persons particularly injured. We will, therefore, have to wait developments before we learn anything definitely about the matter.

Appropos of railway matters, it is reported that since the work of excavating has been commenced, for the foundation of the new railroad depots, considerable real estate has changed hands. As the work progresses there will be many more similar changes, and the value of property in this city will be materially enhanced. It will also give an impetus to the building boom which has been going on steadily in various parts of the town this year.

WEBER.

## THE INDEPENDENT PARTY.

PARIS, Idaho,  
Sept. 30, 1886.

Editor Deseret News:

Political affairs in Southern Idaho during the past few weeks have received an impetus unprecedented in our past history. During that time an

## "INDEPENDENT PARTY"

has been organized; primaries have been held in the various precincts and a county convention called for October 14th. The result of the Territorial Democratic Convention at Bellevue in expelling our delegates, has aroused an interest in the voters that has lain dormant these many years, as little interest has been manifested in political matters heretofore. Thus the efforts of our enemies are being turned to good account, and will prove a blessing to us instead of curses as they (our enemies) fully expected. The latent energies of an oppressed people, once aroused, will always strike terror to the hearts of their oppressors. It will be so in this instance. They sought by one fell blow to obliterate us politically, but the very opposite will be the result. In the organization of the Independent party, the foundation is laid for a political power that will prove a terror to the demagogues and filibusters who have foisted themselves upon the existing parties of Idaho, and who have sought to climb the tree of political fame on the corrupt and rotten ladder of anti-"Mormonism." This Independent party will contain the numerical strength of the Latter-day Saints, and probably many others from both parties, who are seeking for an honest and just administration of public affairs and independence from

## FANATICS AND BIGOTS,

such as those who mis-represented the Democratic party in Bellevue. It will be untrammelled by party fealty, so that it will not fear the frowns or court the favors of either or any party, but will be free to vote for just and honest men let them be nominated by whomsoever they will; and it will be just as free to withhold its support from them whom it cannot endorse in principle or behavior. Thus its influence will be brought to bear in purifying the political arena.

Those members of the Democratic party who have been seduced by popular clamor and emboldened by the delusive hope of the "Test Oath Law" being declared constitutional, will wane before its power like a transplanted cabbage without water, beneath the rays of the summer sun.

Dubois' hired organ, the *Idaho Reporter*, is belching forth its froth at John Bailey and the "Mormons." Poor thing! It is to be pitied. The Democratic Convention took all the wind out of its sails by introducing an anti-"Mormon" plank and denying seats to the "Mormon" delegates; but it still continues to harp on the old strain, the reasons for which are obvious and as follows: In the first place Dubois based all his Congressional calculations on the bug-bear anti-"Mormonism," and now when he finds this boat shaky, rotten and leaky, it is too late to change it, and he instructs his organ to keep up the racket, with the vain hope of pulling through, but the tides of November will effectually

## END THE FAME AND FORTUNE

of the most notorious political adventurer that has ever infested the Gem of the Mountains; and with him will go out of existence this disreputable lying sheet, which has disgraced the town that gave it birth, and the party which has fostered it, corrupt and rotten though they be.

Our new party will most likely nominate a Delegate to Congress, as Bailey has denounced us in strong terms, and it will be impossible for us to sustain Dubois, consequently the only alternative for us will be, to nominate an independent candidate.

Yours respectfully,  
RUSTIC.

## NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

A TWO DAYS' MEETING OF ELDERS, SAINTS AND STRANGERS.

HORSE CREEK, MITCHELL CO., N. C.  
Sept. 27th, 1886.

Editor Deseret News:

Contrary to expectation the Elders of this Conference were notified that Sept. 25th and 26th would be spent in a two days' Conference at Horse Creek, Mitchell Co., N. C., where there is a Branch of the Church. Accordingly we postponed our appointments in our fields of labor, and betook ourselves to the rendezvous. On arriving here, with the exception of Brother David Vance, we found the Saints well and happy in the expectation of a good time. Joyful and congenial were the greetings of old companions, as we clasped the hand of friendship, and related our experiences to one another. Nature afforded us a

## MEETING HOUSE IN A FOREST

of timber near by, where we erected a temporary stand and seats.

On Friday morning we were joined by the President of the mission, and on Saturday morning at 10 a.m. we assembled and were called to order by Elder Taylor, President of the Conference.

Elders Chipman, Beard and our President spoke to us in the forenoon, followed in the afternoon by Elders Rich, Crandall, Snow, Stanford, Thorne and Taylor, all of whom simplified the first principles of the Gospel, with special reference to their saving powers, drawing copiously from nature for their illustrations.

Our second day's meeting was more largely attended, some of the Saints coming from the adjoining counties. Our seats were filled and some had to recline on mother earth. In the forenoon, we were addressed by Elder Gibbs and the President of the Mission; in the afternoon by Elders Crowther, Lindsay, Condie, Eddington and Taylor, who instructed us in the Gospel and on various subjects pertaining to our duties as Latter-day Saints. At the close of the Conference,

## THE STATISTICAL REPORT

was read showing twenty-five baptisms during the term ending August 31st ult. A good spirit prevailed; everything went off smoothly. The Saints feel well; the majority have the spirit of gathering, and their integrity in the main is commendable.

There are now thirteen Elders in this Conference, which number will be increased to twenty this fall. We are pleased to note a slight improvement in the health of Brother Vance, who is President of this branch.

To-day we bid adieu to our colleagues, and return to our fields renewed in spirits, faith and determination to do all in our power for the spread of truth.

WM. H. GIBBS, Clerk.

## MARICOPA STAKE CONFERENCE.

The Maricopa Stake Conference was held in Mesa on September 25th and 26th. There were present H. C. Rogers and C. I. Robson of the Stake Presidency, all the Bishops and a fair representation of the officers of the various quorums and associations. The singing was furnished by the Mesa and Alma choirs. Saturday was occupied by the ward and quorum officers who gave favorable reports of the same.

On Sunday the usual routine of business was attended to, after which the meetings were addressed by several Elders, among whom was Renben Collett, recently returned from a mission to Europe. The instructions given were of a practical nature, especially calculated to encourage the youth in well doing.

James F. Johnson was appointed Stake President of the Y. M. M. I. A. in place of A. P. Spilshury, who resigned. GEORGE PASSEY, Stake Clerk.

## HEALTH HINTS, ETC.

COMPILED BY MAC.

## SOUPS.

Soups are a wholesome and nutritious addition to dinners, when they are properly cooked and, not too thin. It is advisable to always eat bread in connection with soup, as mastication is an essential aid to digestion. If meat is used in making soup it should not be fat, and ought to be soaked in salt water for an hour, to extract the blood, before putting it in the pot. However, it is not necessary to use meat in soups, they can be made equally as good without it.

For "stock" instead of the usual meat foundation, boil a pound of fresh wheat bran in a gallon of water. Stir it into cold water and let it boil slowly for two hours. Strain through a linen

cloth, and store for use. If it has to be kept several days, add a little salt and a few pepper corns a half hour before straining.

Take as much of the "stock" as requisite, and combine with it any of the following articles, according to taste: Barley, rice, whole peas, split peas, beans, crushed or cracked wheat, hominy, crushed oats, or coarse oat meal, macaroni, vermicelli, onions, turnips, leeks, carrots, celery, (roots, stalks, leaves, or seed,) lettuce, parsley spinach, cabbage, kale, potatoes, tomatoes, onions browned in butter, stale bread, toast, cream or milk.

Peas, or other articles requiring a long time to cook, should be boiled first, and the other things desired added afterwards, according to the time necessary for each of them. Barley is one of the easiest digested, and most nourishing, of the articles recommended.

Condiments may be used in soups, but nearly all such things render food less wholesome; they should, therefore not be cooked with it, but be added by the individuals eating it, according to their respective likings. Butter, salt, pepper, vinegar, catsup, Worcester sauce, curry, lemon juice and sugar are some of the "tasty" but non-essential condiments; the two last named are the least objectionable.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## SHOT IN THE HEAD.

A Man Out Hunting Accidentally Kills Himself.

MONTPELIER, Idaho,  
October 1st, 1886.

Editor Deseret News:

Yesterday there occurred one of the most mournful scenes the little town of Montpelier has witnessed for years. It was brought about by the accidental shot of Brother Joseph M. Phelps, fatally wounding his own person, near Cokeville, Wyoming, a distance of about 30 miles from this place, at about 5 o'clock in the evening of the 29th ult. After having been to that place to transact some business, he was returning home. It appears he left his home here a few days previous to go to his ranch, ten miles from here, and proceeded to Cokeville in his buggy, taking his

## SHOTGUN,

and thinking to kill game on the road. After completing his business he drove a short distance from the town, when two reports from a gun were heard, but no notice was taken of them until a short time after they sounded, when a gentleman traveling toward Cokeville came across his horse and buggy standing still in the road. The body of the unfortunate man was between the wheels and body of the buggy, and

THE TOP OF HIS HEAD WAS BLOWN OFF.

He had evidently fired his first shot at some game and was getting out of his vehicle to shoot again when the weapon was accidentally discharged, the entire charge entering his head.

The gentleman immediately carried the news to Cokeville, from whence the sad intelligence was conveyed by wire to his family. The latter in deepest sorrow were awaiting full particulars of the case until midnight, when the corpse was brought into the house. It had been brought from Cokeville in a wagon by his friends.

A very handsome casket was made by Messrs. Hillier and Kinnersley and at 4 p.m. yesterday the Meeting House was

## DENSELY CROWDED

with friends who convened to pay their last tribute of respect to the departed dead.

Comforting and consoling remarks were made by the brethren who addressed the assembly.

Brother Phelps leaves a family numbering twenty souls, besides a multiplicity of friends, to mourn his loss.

Yours, etc., MONTPELIER.

## NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

On the 25th and 26th of September, the traveling Elders, fourteen in number, laboring in the North Carolina Conference, met at Horse Creek, Mitchell County, North Carolina, in a conference capacity. The meetings, which were fairly attended, were held under the cool and refreshing shade of a spacious grove, the weather being propitious for outdoor gatherings. More zest was added to the occasion by the presence of President John Morgan, whose time and attention of late have been devoted to visiting the several conferences now being held in the various parts of the Mission.

The following is an epitomized report of the proceedings:

## SATURDAY, 10 A. M.

Exercises commenced with singing, and prayer by Elder Gibson A. Condie, after which President Z. S. Taylor explained the object of the conference and expressed himself as being highly pleased in meeting with so many Elders, Saints and friends, on an occasion of this character, and was satisfied that if the timely instructions and wholesome advice which would be advanced during the meetings, were heeded by those present, good results would accrue therefrom. He prayed