

CONVENTION.—The Delegates of the convention from the various counties except Green River, met in the Council House on the 17th inst. The event was announced by the firing of cannon and music from Capt. Ballo's Band. Throughout the day flags floated from the cupolas of the Governor's mansion and Council House, also from the tall flag poles on the Temple Block and in front of the Deseret and Livingston, Kinkead & Co's stores, from flag staffs on the roof of Gilbert & Gerrish's store, and from those on the roofs of many other public buildings.

At an early hour a large concourse of citizens had assembled, anxiously awaiting the commencement of those deliberations and acts, which have for their object the addition of another star to the brilliant and thickly spangled constellation styled, 'E Pluribus Unum.'

The Convention organized by unanimously electing the Hon. J. M. Grant, President; Mr. T. Bullock, Secretary; Mr. J. Grimshaw, Assistant Secretary; Mr. R. T. Burton, Sergeant-at-arms; Mr. W. C. Staines, Messenger; Mr. T. Hall, Doorkeeper; and Sirs G. D. Watt and J. V. Long, Reporters. At 12 1-2, adjourned until 2 p.m.

We have confined the notice, thus briefly, to the organization, not only because the Reporters cannot report and transcribe at the same time, but because a minute detail would be out of place in the News, especially since it is designed to print in pamphlet form whatever the convention may deem beneficial. Still, we shall take occasion to keep the public informed of such noticeable doings as may be of interest to them.

In the afternoon the freedom of the convention was unanimously tendered to His Excellency the Governor, the United States officers of the Territory, Prest. H. C. Kimball, the members of the Legislative Assembly, Hons. E. Snow, A. Lyman and E. Hunter, Hon. Elias Smith, Probate Judge of G. S. L. County, and the Aldermen of G. S. L. City.

POSTMASTERS.—It was to be presumed that the 'News' had trouble enough with the mails and postmasters abroad, without having occasion to allude to any within our borders, but it would seem that evil example is contagious, even over mountains and across deserts.

We are informed that a certain Postmaster in Utah, and a professed saint, not only does not take the 'News' himself, as he most certainly should, but retains one or more of the subscribers' papers, until he has leisurely perused such portions as his taste and time may permit; and surplus copies are so soiled in his hands that our Agents are ashamed to return them.

Should like complaints from that quarter be again heard, it is possible that an effort will be made to abate the evil.

FORT BRIDGER, DEC. MAIL, &c.—Mr. Lewis Robinson, just arrived from Fort Bridger, brings word that the carriers left, on Green river, the most, if not all, of the Eastern mail bags taken from here on the 1st of Dec. It is possible that the letter bag was taken on, but the carriers loaded in oats and unloaded mail bags.

The Government may perhaps pay mail service rates for oat-carrying, but it is presumable that the public would like to make a distinction.

Mr. Robinson says that the snow has disappeared from the neighborhood of Fort Bridger, and that the animals in that region wintered finely.

Of the large number of cattle left on the Weber, last fall, only seven were alive. From the Weber to beyond Bear river, snow averaged three feet in depth.

He was eight days coming in, distance 113 miles, and had to leave his animals in the lower canyon of Weber and hire men to go out from the settlements to bring them in.

NEWS.—No further report of the movements and whereabouts of the hostile Indians—have not learned whether the body of young Hunsaker has been brought in—and positively cannot tell what has become of the EASTERN MAIL, for it is so long since it last arrived that the time had almost escaped memory, even on the TWENTY-SIXTH OF NOVEMBER, ANNO DOMINI, ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIVE.

All quiet in Utah, how is it in the LOWER WORLD?

CORRECTION.—In "Remarks by Prest. Brigham Young," printed in number 1 of this volume, the beginning of the 7th paragraph should have read, Br. Amasa Lyman has just observed THAT SOME SAY, 'I suppose we must acknowledge the hand of God in all things.' The corrections are in small caps.

A good old Quaker lady, after listening to the extravagant yarns of a storekeeper, as long as her patience would allow, said to him: 'Friend H— what a pity it is that it is a sin to lie, when it seems so necessary to thy business.'

THE LAST FLAKE OF SNOW.

A PARODY: BY W. W. PHELPS.

Of the last flake of winter,
I wish it was gone,
With its cold white companions,
That makes us all rawn:—
No flake of its kindred,
No whistling wind near,
No storm on the mountains,
To cause us to fear.

I will leave thee, thou cold one,
To share a warm fate;
Of thy mates must be melted,
The small and the great,
The south wind is blowing,
The spring time is nigh:
I love the sweet blessing,
Of April's warm sky.

So, flakes that must follow,
By "upper deep" rules,
I hope they'll not tarry,
Like these "kindred fools,"
And stare us with horror,
When thousands would sing,
No flake should inherit—
The Desert in spring.

Of the last flake of winter,
I wish it was gone;
And I wish its companions
In water may spawn,
Till flakes of its kindred,
And frosts of its birth
Find warm winter quarters
To bless man on earth.

AGRICULTURAL.

[For the News.]

NUMBER 2.

ON SOWING GARDEN SEEDS.

I will now give a few hints relative to the time of sowing seeds; before I commence the subject of general cropping.

It would be difficult to give any precise time of sowing seeds, as much depends on the season and the state of the ground in which they are to be planted. The cultivator must therefore regulate the time of sowing according to the quality and location of the land. Warm, sandy and gravelly land on a southern exposure, may be sown with the same varieties of seeds two or three weeks before a cold, moist, loamy soil. One rule, however, should always be recollected, namely, never to sow seeds before the ground is in good condition and works freely.

Vegetable seeds, to grow freely, require a certain degree of heat corresponding to the natural climate to which they belong; hence, the onion, lettuce, parsnip, pea, and those which are natives of cold climates, grow at a little above freezing point, say 40° of Fahrenheit. The radish, cabbage, beet, and those vegetables that are natives of moderate climates, grow more freely at a degree of 45° to 50°; whilst the bush bean, cucumber, melon and most varieties of running vines require from 50° to 60° to grow freely.

In order to make the subject clear, I will give a brief table of the time for sowing seeds for a MAIN CROP, adapted to the valley, which can be regulated according to the season, state of the ground and other variations which may occur in different seasons and places.

As I do not understand astronomy I will defer anything relative to sowing seeds in the moon. My practise has always been to take the sun for a guide by observing his influence in warming the ground into which the seeds are to be planted; and I really believe the practice is a good one. For as the sun increases in strength and gradually warms the ground for the reception of seeds in the spring, so a good cultivator will sow the various kinds of seeds agreeably to the different climates to which they naturally belong.

TABLE FOR SOWING SEEDS.

March.	April.	May.
Onion,	Radish,	Bush bean,
Leek,	Beet,	Cucumber,
Lettuce,	Late cabbage,	Melon,
Pea,	Carrot,	Squash,
Parsnip,	Lettuce,	Sweet corn.
Parsley,	Early corn,	
Spinage,	Early bean,	
English bean,	Late potato,	
Summer savory,	Sweet basil.	
Sage.		

EARLY SOWING.—March: Beet, cabbage, radish, turnip, cauliflower, cape broccoli, potato.

It will be seen that I have in the above list pointed out the varieties of seeds that may be sown early merely for present use. As seeds are this season scarce and the mountains are thickly clad with snow, I would suggest a little precaution in sowing seeds too early, as it will be unreliable to calculate upon much early warm weather this season.

When seeds are sown too early they are liable to rot in the ground, especially on moist, loamy land, besides if they do come up, the plants become stunted and do not make such good roots as when they come up freely and make a rapid growth.

THE VALLEY GARDENER.

MASS MEETING.

TREMONT HOUSE, Cove, Beaver County, }
January 19th, 1856. }

[Concluded.]

Hon. I. C. Haight, of Cedar, then delivered an excellent address, at the close of which he moved that a committee of five be chosen to draft a preamble and resolutions expressive of the feelings of this convention.

Seconded by Mr. Hatch.

The motion was then put by the chairman, Col. Dame, and carried without a dissenting voice.

Motioned by Mr. McGuffey that Hon. J. N. Smith, Judge Lee, J. H. Martineau, T. Lewis and P. K. Smith be appointed said committee.

Seconded by R. Benson.

The motion, on being put by the chairman, was, like the previous motion, carried unanimously.

The committee then retired for a few minutes, during which the delegates enjoyed a few minutes of relaxation and hilarity.

The committee having returned, the assemblage was called to order, when Hon. J. N. Smith, the chairman of the committee, presented the following preamble and resolution:—

"Whereas, feeling as we do that we as the inhabitants of Utah, in common with American freemen of other States, have equal rights with them to the privileges and benefits of a State government; having been the pioneers of civilization in the desert wilds of Utah, and having attained sufficient numbers to warrant our admission into the Union as a State; and further, as a people, having from our earliest settlements evinced a superior capacity for self government, therefore

Resolved, that we do earnestly approve the action of the present session of the Legislature of Utah Territory, in passing acts preparatory to calling a Convention for the purpose of framing a State Constitution, and claiming admission as a State into the Union; and further

Resolved, that we as a people appreciate the inconveniences arising from the appointment of Federal officers by the General Government, who generally have no interest in the country, and whose only recommendation is the fact of their having performed some degrading political service or party trickery in some other country, and whose only anxiety is to fill their pockets; promote their own ease and comfort, regardless of the results of their own official blunders, or criminal neglect to the inhabitants of the Territory; and further

Resolved, that we, as a Convention, with one voice unite with a great people in demanding admission into the Union as a State, a position which it has long been our just right to occupy; and further

Resolved, that we tender our thanks to Col. Wm. H. Dame, for the able, dignified and impartial manner in which he has presided at this convention."

On motion, the preamble and resolutions were read by the secretary.

The chairman then said, "Friends and fellow citizens, is it your mind to accept these resolutions as the voice of this convention? If so, you will manifest it by saying 'aye';" as a response to which the whole assembly thundered forth "aye;" as from the heart and voice of one man. The vote was unanimous.

On motion of Mr. Lewis, the Hon. G. A. Smith and Hon. I. C. Haight were nominated for delegates to the Convention to be holden next spring at G. S. L. City, to represent Beaver and Iron counties.

Seconded by Mr. B. Carter.

The vote was then put by the chairman, and was unanimous.

On motion of Mr. McGuffey, Judge Lee, of Harmony, was then nominated for delegate from Washington county.

Seconded by Mr. Johnson.

The nomination, like the previous one, was sustained by a unanimous vote of the convention.

Moved by R. Benson that the minutes of this convention be published in the Deseret News, the Mormon, St. Louis Luminary, and as many other papers as are willing to give them a place in their columns.

Seconded by Judge Lee, and carried unanimously.

On motion of Hon. J. N. Smith, seconded by Mr. McGuffey, and carried by a unanimous vote, the convention adjourned sine die.

There were many distinguished gentlemen present, but several who were expected to attend, were unable to do so, on account of the state of the roads, indisposition, &c., but they sent their regrets at not being able to attend, and their full support of the principles advocated at the convention.

Before the delegates returned to their homes, a splendid ball was given by the gentlemanly proprietor of the Tremont House, and never did its spacious rooms contain a more brilliant and gay assemblage than took part in the festivities of the occasion.

Fearing I have protracted this report too long already, I now close the minutes of the largest convention ever held in Beaver county.

Yours respectfully, &c.

A tall, slabsided Yankee, who was making his appearance at Cape May last summer, strolled down to the beach during bathing time. On seeing the bevy of beauties sporting in the waves, he burst into a fit of enthusiasm: 'Je-rusalem! if that don't remind me of something good we have to hum.' 'What is that?' remarked a friend who heard him. 'What is that?' said Jonathan, smacking his lips. 'Why, its lasses and water.'

THE MORMON TRADE.—Leavenworth City, Kansas Territory, having become the starting point of the Salt Lake traders, is doing a thriving business. Such is the quantity of goods passing through the place, that in the space of one week \$174,474 was paid for freights on goods landed there.

A fool in high station is like a man on the top of a monument—everybody appears small to him, and he appears small to everybody.

Your word is your servant so long as you retain it; but it becomes your master when you suffer it to escape.

MARRIED:

In North Ogden ward, on Feb. 19, 1856, by bishop Thomas Dunn, Mr. JAMES LOFTHOUSE and Miss CHARLOTTE E. WOODHEAD, both of England.

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Ezekiel Lee	Big Cottonwood	Do
David Brinton	Do	Do
Joseph Hammond	South Cottonwood	Do
Isaac Ferguson	Do	Do
Silas Richards	Union	Do
William Draper	Draperville	Do
Samuel Bennion	West Jordan	Do
Mc Gee Harris	Fort Herriman	Do
Peter Maughn	E T City	Tooele County
Alfred Lee	Tooele do	Do
Thomas H Clark	Grantsville	Do
John Stoker	Stoker	Davis County
William Smith	Centerville	Do
James Leithead	Farmington	Do
Samuel Henderson	Kaysville	Do
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E Bingham	Bingham's Ward	Do
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Isaac Houston	Lone City	Do
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NOTICE.

I WISH to take a lot of cows and young cattle on shares.

Also fruit trees pruned, transplanted, and grafted from bearing trees in the valley.

2-3t CHARLES WHITE, 13th ward.

NOTICE.

THERE will be an adjourned session of the March term of the county court of Great Salt Lake county, held at the Council House in Great Salt Lake City, on the first day of April next commencing at 10 a. m., at which time and place, all persons feeling themselves aggrieved by the assessment for Territorial and county taxes for the year 1856, can appear and be heard.

2-2t J. W. CUMMINGS,
C. C. G. S. L. C.

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