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TERMS—IN ADVANCE.

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY MARCH 29.

New Maps.—Mayor Little received to-day a couple of handsome maps from the east, ordered by him for the City during his recent trip to New York. They are both by Colton. One is of mammoth dimensions and represents the United States. It is 10 feet high by 12½ feet wide. The other is a map of the world, but a great deal smaller than the other. Both are fine specimens.

Sentence Deferred.—Yesterday being the day set, either for the sentence of Fred Hopt, the murderer, or the filing of a motion for a new trial in his case, the matter came up accordingly before Judge Emerson. The defendant's counsel made the motion for a new trial, which was overruled by the Court. The defendant excepted and gave notice of an appeal to the Supreme Court. To permit this to be done, the date of sentence was deferred until the 9th prox., which is the last day of the present term of the District Court.

The Prescott Marble.—The Southern Utah Times of Saturday, says:

"The first of the week Mr. W. Brown, a marble dealer, of Salt Lake City, arrived in camp. He came with authority to quarry out and ship to the city a car load of Beaver County marble with which to build a Masonic monument. As a result of the week's work, several wagon loads of as perfect marble as can be found anywhere, has been taken out and brought over to the railroad. The marble brought in last evening and this, (Saturday) morning, is in large, clear blocks, and certainly looks, as Mr. Brown says it is, equal to any imported from the East."

Missionary Notes.—Elder Wm. Thompson, Jr., writes from Lodi, Montgomery County, Mississippi, on March 17th:

He has been there four months having been called on a mission last October.

There are three Elders besides himself laboring in that State.

Elders Price and Hanks are in the northern part of the State, meeting with ineffectual opposition from "Christian" ministers.

The Lodi branch is the only organized branch of the Church in Mississippi, at present.

Brother Thomson presides over the Mississippi Conference.

The brethren meet many friends and get plenty of opportunities for teaching. Prospects are generally favorable, and the missionaries in that region are all in good health.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY, MARCH 30.

Returned.—Last evening President Wilford Woodruff and the apostolic party, including besides himself, Apostles Erastus Snow, Brigham Young, F. M. Lyman and John Henry Smith, arrived here from the south. They were accompanied by President J. D. T. McAllister, of St. George, and a portion of his family.

Conference Rates.—Cheap tickets for the Utah Southern Extension and the accommodation of Conference visitors commenced selling to-day. Frisco tickets will be good until April 9th, Milford and Deseret until April 8th, inclusive. Similar tickets over the Utah Southern will commence selling to-morrow, and will be good until the 8th inclusive. They will go on the regular trains.

Murder in the Second Degree.—Fred Dalton, the murderer of Mary

Parker, has been found guilty of murder in the second degree. A special to the News from Beaver states that the trial of the case commenced on Monday, Zera Snow appearing for the prosecution and Whedon and Hawley for the defense. It was shown by the evidence that Dalton had a hand in getting the old lady Parker to go into the hills, and that he was seen going with her, and shortly afterwards returning alone from the direction where the dead body was found. At 10 o'clock last night, after being out for nearly two hours, the jury brought in the verdict above given. Sentence will be passed on Saturday.

The same dispatch states that Stephens, who killed Hilburn, and was lately convicted of manslaughter, will receive sentence to-morrow.

New Chicken Law.—The new ordinance in relation to fowls trespassing, passed last night by the City Council, is to take the place of the old one, which is found to be inoperative. According to the latter, fowls running at large were liable to be killed by the owners of property trespassed upon, but no further redress was provided for. In the new law, as will be seen elsewhere, the penalty is \$10 fine for fowls trespassing between the 1st of March and the 31st of October. The new law is the wiser of the two; for while the old one was very effective in cases where the aggrieved chose to take advantage of its license, it was a most prolific cause of ill will between neighbors, many of whom, moreover, chose to suffer from the incursions of stray fowls, rather than to kill them as they had a right to do according to the law. This is now done away. Persons who are pestered by their neighbor's chickens, hereafter, will have to complain to the marshal, and the law will then take its course.

Arizona Letter.—A letter from Elder Jesse N. Perkins, dated at Taylor, Apache County, Arizona, to Bishop A. H. Raleigh, of this city, has been kindly handed us for perusal. We glean a few items:

The writer and family are located at Taylor, on Silver Creek, about three miles above Snowflake.

There are about 50 families there now. A hundred lots have been surveyed and the town is filling up fast.

The water is good and fine saw timber can be had within 15 miles. Lots of fuel handy.

Fencing land, breaking farms, building saw and grist mills, etc., etc., is going ahead lively.

The winter has been very mild, and stock has done well.

Good health and peace prevail. The Lamanites are well disposed and are able to care for themselves.

The organization of the Stake is complete and everything is in good running order.

The writer and his son had but recently returned from a trip south with Apostles Erastus Snow, Brigham Young and Elders Jesse N. and Silas Smith, and felt thankful for the good counsel they had received from the brethren.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, MARCH 31.

Information Wanted.—Of Thos. Mudge, who left his home at Annabella, on or about the 30th of January last, for the purpose of going to St. Mark's Hospital, Salt Lake City. He had been at work in the Chicago Smelting Works in Frisco, and was loaded on the train. He was heard from as being at the White House, Salt Lake City, after his arrival there. Any information respecting him will be gratefully received by Mrs. Elizabeth J. Hodge, Annabella, Sevier County, Utah.

An Outrage.—A lady residing in the Thirteenth Ward, called in this morning to inform us of a mean caper played by some mischievous boy or idiot of a man, on her premises yesterday afternoon. During her absence from home, someone entered the front yard and daubed red paint over the lower part of the door of the house. It is hard to tell what gratification a human being derives from the perpetration of such contemptible tricks, but perhaps the scamp himself will be able to reveal

it to the police when they catch him, as they assuredly will if he isn't a little less prodigal of his red paint in the future.

"Enquirer" Items.—From Wednesday's issue:

"Mail irregularities are still complained of in Utah County."

It is reported that there are myriads of grasshopper eggs in Goshen and the prospects are that there will be a genuine old-time grass-hopper war there. In consequence of these discouraging prospects but few of the farmers are putting in crops.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Provo Manufacturing Company, held March 28, a dividend of \$2.00 on the share was declared, payable on or after the 20th of April. The resignation of W. C. A. Smoot, Jr., as treasurer of the company was accepted in consequence of his labors being required in the mercantile department. Mr. John R. Twelves was appointed to fill the vacancy thus created.

Court Business.—A Beaver correspondent of the Sentinel, on the 25th inst., writes as follows:

"The following persons were found guilty of house breaking, by the jury: Ellis Reice, Richard Phillips, David George, Joseph Moyes, Jason Webb. They will be sentenced next Thursday. Peter Richards received his sentence of eight months in the county jail, to-day."

On the day following he says:

"William Tanner was found guilty of grand larceny by the jury to-day. The charge was for stealing a mule from an Indian. The defendant had no attorney employed, and the Court appointed Judge Boreman to defend him. This was the Judge's first appearance in the Second Judicial District Court, after resigning from the Bench, and no doubt he thought it was small potatoes. However he tried hard to convince the jury, that Tanner did not intend to steal the mule, but the jury did not believe it."

Deseret Museum.—Curator Barfoot informs us that he has received for preservation in the Museum cabinets, the original manuscript of the special anti-polygamy message of John B. Neil, Governor of Idaho, to the eleventh session of the Legislature of Idaho Territory. This is dated at the Executive Office, Boise City, February 5th, 1881, and was presented by Hon. C. W. Penrose.

Also, a scroll written on birch-bark, purporting to be done by the Chippewa nation, at Mille Lac, Lake Minnesota. No name is sent of the giver of this modern scroll. It appears that the Chippewas are in the habit of writing grotesque figures on the inner bark of the birch tree. There is a representation of a sacrifice and attendant ceremonies. The Curator is informed that the present Indians attach no meaning to the various characters pictured on their scrolls. These are apparently symbols and greatly resemble the picture writings found in the mounds near Davenport, Iowa.

A fine bust of Dupuytren from Messrs. Little & Roundy of this city, has also been added to the Museum store; likewise the Canadian Entomologist from Professor A. H. Mundt, of Fairbury, Ill., containing notices of Utah insects.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, APRIL 1.

A Big Credit Mark.—F. S. Richards, Esq., of the Ogden law firm of Richards & Williams, has returned in good health from his trip to California. While in San Francisco Mr. Richards was admitted to practice in the Supreme Court of California before a full bench. His admission is mentioned in the Chronicle of the 29th ult. Under the new State Constitution the Supreme Court may be divided into two branches, three of the Judges sitting for the transaction of business. But he was admitted before the whole court. It is gratifying that a young man raised and educated in Utah was able to pass with honor through the examination necessary to full standing in such a Court. Brother Franklin S. has our sincere congratulations.

The University Building.—Agreeable to announcement, the Chancellor and Board of Regents of the

Deseret University met in the office of Z. C. M. I., at half-past 12 to-day, to hear the report of the Building Committee appointed some time ago to take charge of the erection of the new University on the Union Square grounds. The committee, by its chairman, Regent H. S. Eldredge, stated that in pursuing their investigations on the proposed site they had found the soil of a nature very unfavorable to the construction of a foundation. Holes had been dug in several places and the ground probed with poles, and while in one or two places sand was encountered which was partially dry and hard, in several others water and quicksand were met with, and no firm bottom could be reached, the pole sinking very readily, even beneath the pressure of the arm. The report was considered at some length and various suggestions made; some thought that other land might be chosen for the building, and several sites were mentioned, but the prevailing sentiment was to retain the same ground, and either by piling, or some other known process, fit the soil for a foundation. Piling, according to Architect Taylor's estimate, it was said, would cost \$15,000, three-fourths of the Legislative appropriation; it was agreed, therefore, that other, cheaper methods should be employed, if they could be made equally effectual. After some discussion on this matter, it was decided to adjourn until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock, and at that hour for the Board to meet on the Union Square grounds with the committee and a number of building experts, when the matter might be further investigated and settled. Regent James Sharp was added to the Building Committee before the meeting adjourned. One of the means suggested for the construction of a foundation was the use of cobble rock driven down solid with a pile driver; another method was by the use of concrete or cement. The cobble rock plan being the more economical and cited as very effectual, seemed to meet with the general approbation of the meeting. The decision of the Board will probably be known to-morrow.

The Electric Light.—A successful and satisfactory test was made of the Brush electric light, on Main Street, at and in the vicinity of Walker Brother's store, last evening between 8 and 9 o'clock. A large multitude had gathered in anticipation of the exhibition, announced beforehand, and after waiting some time, were gratified by its appearance. The two post lamps, one at Walker Brothers' corner and the other in front of the store of Lipman and Davis, gradually began to lighten and continue to increase in brilliancy until the vicinity was flooded with a beautiful white light which might resemble moonlight were the latter greatly intensified. The whole length of the street was not ablaze with splendor as some had been led to expect, but the gas in the stores and in the street lamps near at hand were quite swallowed up, or presented a weak and very subdued appearance. Besides the two electric lamps spoken of, jets of the light were shining in the White House, Walker House, Post Office, and other buildings in the circuit, the interior of which were powerfully illuminated. The Walker House also had a lamp, in front. Some persons complained of headache and said it was too much of a good thing altogether. Like many other things it would doubtless have to become popular through use and habit. As a general thing the lights burned very steadily, much more so than on the occasion of the first exhibition last year. Some, however, became a little unsteady and the Walker House front light nearly went out at one time. This it is claimed was due to some improper adjustment in the lamp itself. The process of generating the light and conveying it to the lamps has been partially described before. We have not the space, at present, for extended repetition or additional description. The generators are three in number, and are situated in the company's building at the rear of Walker Brothers store. These are operated upon by machinery run by steam, and the currents of electricity induced in

the generators pass out over wires connecting with each lamp in the circuit, in each of which the current comes in contact with and burns the carbon and produces the light. Each lamp is fixed independent of all the others, so that if any mishap befall it, or if the electric current be turned off, none of the other lamps will be affected.

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