

## Local and Other Matters.

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY, NOV. 17.

**Improvement Association.**—A mutual improvement association has been organized in the Eleventh Ward.

**Commenced Shipping.**—The Soda Springs Sulphur Mining Company have commenced shipping their sulphur to the East.

**Go and See Him.**—Mr. E. W. Tullidge can learn of something to his advantage, if he will see Bro. W. C. Staines.

**Horse Thieves at Work.**—On Saturday night a span of horses belonging to Bishop R. T. Burton, now on his mission to England, were stolen from his farm on the State Road.

**Information Wanted.**—If Mary Ann Punter, who emigrated from England in the fall of 1873, will inform Bro. W. C. Staines of her whereabouts, she can learn of something to her advantage.

**A Knock Down.**—Last night Joseph Worley challenged Robert Condy to engage in a game of pummeling, to which invitation Condy immediately responded by knocking his antagonist down, and they were fined \$5 each to-day.

**Social Gathering.**—The members of the 20th Ward Institute will have a social gathering or re-union, at the school house of that Ward, on Thursday night, when they will spend a few hours in the dance, and there will be singing and some choice instrumental music thrown in by way of variety.

**Closed and Sold Out.**—The retail grocery department of Z. C. M. I. is closed to-day, while an account is being taken of stock. After that matter of business is attended to we understand the premises will be opened by Mr. David Day & Co., they having purchased the retail stock, fixtures, &c. Mr. Day is well known to our citizens as a successful business man.

**Carrying Lead.**—Mr. W. H. Clark of Ogden was relieved last Friday of a piece of lead, in the form of an ounce ball, which he had carried about in his foot for nine years, having been shot that length of time since by an Indian. He thought at the time that the ball had passed through the foot. The operation was performed in this City, by Drs. Benedict, assisted by Dr. Allen Fowler.

**Convalescent.**—President Joseph Young is just recovering from a spell of illness of six weeks duration, during the whole of which time he has been confined to his home and the most of the time to his bed. He was out and around yesterday for the first time since he was taken sick. His numerous friends will be pleased to hear that he is improving.

**Disagreeable Revelations.**—The case of Giles B. Overton vs. J. F. Woodman et al, suit for \$50,000 damages, for alleged alienation of the plaintiff's daughter from her father's house, has occupied nearly the exclusive time of the Third District Court for several days. It is one of those cases in the progress of which many matters that should be of an entirely private nature, the less said about them the better, are made public property. Such affairs give pictures of domestic infelicity that when looked upon cannot be otherwise than deplored.

**Fire.**—This morning shortly before ten o'clock, the fire alarm at the City Hall was sounded, the cause being that fire had been discovered to have broken out in the Brooks House, on the corner of Second East and Fourth South Streets. Members of the Fire Brigade, with their apparatus, were soon on the spot, and, as the fire was yet of insignificant proportions, it soon yielded to their exertions. The cause of the fire was a stove-pipe which passed into a flue built on some joists, being too close to the latter. The fire spread between the ceiling of the first story and the floor of the upper room. The damage was insignificant, amounting probably to about \$50.

**A Pestilent Fellow.**—On Saturday night a man who was far from being in that condition generally denominated, "dressed for company," having a liberal display of fabric of the color generally peculiar to flags of truce, entered a house in the 20th Ward, and created a commotion and sensation in

that family. The head of the house was in bed sick, and, there being no alternative, a lady of the family made a plunge at the intruder, making his exit from the house much more sudden than his entrance. On regaining his equilibrium he committed an assault and battery on the door with his brogans, but finally left, after causing considerable excitement among the ladies and children in that house.

**The British Mission.**—The following is from the *Millennial Star* of Oct. 27—

"Elder Peter Sinclair writes from Dundee under date of October 17th—I had the pleasure of baptizing five persons here in Dundee this week; am pleased to report the Dundee branch in a very lively condition; We emigrated two persons with the last company. I have increased the sale of the *Star* and *Journal*, and hope soon to have a further increase."

"Also of Oct. 19—I had the pleasure of baptizing six persons last night, over thirty of our friends present. The Saints feel well; the Priesthood are wide awake to their duties; prospects good."

"Address John Woodhouse, 31, Audlin Street, Meadow Road, Leeds."

**A Scoundrel.**—A few nights ago some girls who are employed in the central part of the city and who live in the western portion of the 16th Ward, were followed by a skunk of a fellow, whose designs were apparent by his actions. The girls took refuge in the house of a citizen, before entering which, one of the girls said, as a kind of misleader, "I'm glad we've got home, let us go into the house;" whereat the rascal said, "Why that isn't your home; you live about half a mile further on." In which he was correct, showing that he had been previously watching the girls.

Parents should see that their daughters are not out after dark now-a-days, except they be under the care of a protector, as there are many of those characters in this city by means of whom it has been fondly hoped in some directions that the "Mormon" community would be brought down to the common order of "civilization."

**That Examination.**—Last evening, in the Simpson murder case, John Carroll, alias "One Armed Jack," Ed. Barton and Phillips were discharged, as it appeared from the evidence they had nothing to do with the killing, but Williamson and John Smith are still held in custody. The parties who were discharged are retained as witnesses for the prosecution.

The evidence adduced before Justice Pyper yesterday showed that Williamson had Simpson's stock in his possession after the murder, and that he (Williamson) induced Barton to write out bills of sale of the animals, that he might make a show of legitimate possession when trying to dispose of them. It was also shown that the prisoner Smith took the notes belonging to the murdered man to Barton to have the latter, who is well educated, endorse them with an imitation of Simpson's signature and endeavor to cash them, the notes having been accepted at an Evanston bank, when they were in Simpson's possession. A connection between Williamson and the notes was also shown, as the latter called on Barton subsequent to his receiving them from Smith, and told him not to do anything with the notes until he should hear further from him (Williamson).

Justice Pyper reserved his decision in the case, so far as Williamson was concerned, and Smith will have a hearing, or examination on Friday.

**A FORTUNE TO BE HAD.**—The citizens of Helena, Montana, offer \$5,585 for such information as will lead to the detection and conviction of the person or persons guilty of the forgery of the Meagher Co. Election Returns on the Approval of the Capital Law at the late August election.

The above reward is guaranteed to be paid by responsible citizens. Any further information relative thereto can be obtained at the First National or People's National Banks, or of Messrs. L. H. Hersfield & Bro., Helena, Montana.

## Correspondence.

Conference—Order of Enoch—St. George—The Cemetery—The Temple.

ST. GEORGE, Nov. 8th, 1874.

Editor Deseret News:

In company with other persons from Kanab I am here attending Conference. At these Conferences there is a massing of intelligence which is witnessed on but few other occasions among us. Hence, they afford opportunities to make general deductions, regarding the spirit and progress of the people, which it would be difficult to arrive at in any other way.

It is evident that the experience of the people of Southern Utah, in the practical workings of the United Order the past season has laid the foundation of future success. The history of mankind is generally a record of aggression. The schemes of patriots and reformers for the realization of brotherhood and fraternity, with very few exceptions, have so far proved Utopian. Shall we, from the superior strength of our principles, by reversing the experiences of many generations, in establishing, in the nineteenth century, the counterpart of the antediluvian Enoch? There is much in the present which indicates the commencement of this great epoch in human progress.

To the reflecting, there is an unusual interest gathering around this place. Its extremely forbidding appearance twelve years ago scarcely admitted a probability that it could ever become a desirable place of residence. The same general appearance of sterility and barrenness still characterizes the country, but the elements have become so modified that here are many pleasant homes, and an abundance of many of the finest fruits of the earth. There is also a reasonable assurance of a supply of the comforts of life in the future, from resources still only partially developed. A stranger might well inquire, "How has the problem of turning 'a desert into a fruitful field' been so quietly and quickly solved?"

The companies sent from the various settlements of the Territory to labor on the Temple have been arriving for several days. It is a common event for unemployed hands to gather where labor is in demand. But the motives which actuate these people have but few precedents. There is almost an entire absence of pecuniary considerations. They are people who generally have plenty of employment and the means of comfortable subsistence at home. They are actuated by a sublime faith, in the intimate connection of the present with the past and the future, and the most implicit confidence that their labors will practically develop those relations. Admit the doubts of the skeptical of the truth of these principles, such motives do credit to the noble aspirations and large heartedness of any people.

A people who, while carrying the burdens of this life, can reach with their faith into the shadowy past, and labor to unite the interest of the dead over the living, that the future may be properly developed, certainly deserve credit for a broad philanthropy for which this generation furnishes no parallel.

Sometimes it is well to visit the cities of the dead as well as those of the living. They are seldom far apart. One seems the complement of the other in the order of creation.

The St. George cemetery is about half a mile east of the city. It is surrounded by a good fence with a walk and row of shade trees around the outside of the enclosure. Inside are many monuments of the departed, from the fragile stake of wood to the finely chiseled and lettered headstone. Considerable efforts have been made by friends to shelter the sterile soil with shrub and flowers—little mementoes of affection. It is a lonely reflection that those tokens with the hands that planted them must also pass away as the present recedes into the past. Here we would be compelled to let the curtain drop between us and the future were it not for the glimmer of light which has reached us from the other world, enabling us to grasp in our faith a practical realization of a happy reunion.

Some half a mile southwest of the cemetery and contiguous to the southern portion of the town, the Temple, which is soliciting so much

interest throughout the Territory, is being erected. It requires but little faith in those acquainted with the past of St. George, to see, in the immediate future, the spot consecrated for the redemption of the living and the dead the center of a populous city.

Doubtless for a time this will be the only spot on earth where will be seen the towers of a sacred temple dedicated to a union of the past, the present, and the future interests of man.

The fact that these notes were penciled by the side of the grave of Brother Joseph W. Young will not lessen their interest in the minds of many. While we were favored last winter with the society of a portion of the First Presidency, a heavy column of basalt was erected at the head of the grave, at the public expense and under the supervision of Pres. Geo. A. Smith. This was not so much to perpetuate his memory, for that will ever be fresh in the hearts of those who knew him, but, as President Smith remarked, when standing by his grave, that the place where his remains were deposited might be identified a thousand years hence.

Here as elsewhere throughout Utah, there is ever something to elicit interest and cause reflection. While the world are watching us, we should study ourselves, that we may disappoint our enemies, strengthen our friends and accomplish the great work the heavens expect of us. J. A. LITTLE.

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