

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## SANDWICH ISLANDS MISSION.

KAYSVILLE, Dec. 22, 1855.

## EDITOR OF THE NEWS:—

Dear Brother:—As I have returned from my mission, perhaps it will not be amiss to drop a few lines, and relate a few of the events that marked my history during the time of my absence.

At the special conference held on the 28th Aug., 1852, I was called with others of my brethren to take a mission to the Sandwich Islands. I made arrangements accordingly, and on the 16th of October following, I left my family, after committing them to the care of Him I was going to serve. I was comforted with the promise, when I was set apart, that I should go and prosper, and return and find my family all alive and well. I went claiming that promise, and with a fixed determination that all my actions should show that my object was the upbuilding of the kingdom of God, and not my own aggrandizement. The saints in the southern settlements, as we passed through, treated us very kindly, and when we arrived in California, the saints there dealt out freely to us of their means, which enabled us to go directly to the place of our destination.

We set sail from San Francisco on the 2nd of Feb., 1853. The sun was just rising when we got under way in the bay; swiftly we glided along before the wind, and on the 17th of Feb. we made the port of Honolulu, where we found Elder Lewis, the president of the mission. He immediately gave notice to the other elders of our arrival, and that a conference would be convened as soon as they could get together.

We met on the 7th of March, and upon deliberation the brethren thought it would be best for us to live among the native brethren until we obtained some knowledge of the language. I felt very anxious to learn the language of that people, for I believed that a good work would be done among them, and was willing to sacrifice the society of men of my own nation, and live awhile in banishment, if I could obtain a knowledge of the language any sooner by that means.

We soon separated, and with my br. Reddick went to live with br. Kaleohano at Kula, on the island of Maui, and on the 10th day of April we commenced our study. I felt then that I was a child in very deed—a messenger of salvation to a people to whom I was as dumb as the “lamb before its shearer.” I asked God to help me, for I had a task that I did not feel able to accomplish without his aid.

We attended closely to our study, and our teacher spared no pains, and gave us all the aid and instruction that lay in his power. As to our fare it was very different to what we had been accustomed to, yet we soon got used to it, and could take our allowance of food as it came along.

By continually striving with God in prayer, and by diligence in study, I found that I was improving in the knowledge of the language; for a length of time I did not allow myself to take up a book in the English language and read in it; the Deseret News afforded me as much reading of the kind as I thought to be for my good under the circumstances. After continuing my study for four months, I commenced to speak in public, and from that time I traveled, generally taking with me one of the native elders as a co-worker in the ministry, and many of them labored earnestly for the spread of the truth.

I labored on the island of Maui, in connexion with my br. Reddick and br. Hammond, with good success, until July, 1854. On the 24th of that month we met in general conference in Honolulu, at which time some of the elders that first came to the islands were liberated with permission to return home, in consequence of which the laborers were few, though the harvest was becoming more extensive.

I was, therefore, sent alone to the island of Kauai, where Elder Farrer had been laboring the past year, and not without success, yet I found that the saints on that island had far less knowledge and faith in the work than those had on the island of Maui. But I accounted for that lack in this way: the latter were brought into the church under the preaching of Elder Cannon and others from the Valley, and the former received it through the ministry of a native who had but little knowledge of the work, and like many of the saints nearer home, it was hard to get them to believe any thing more than had been preached to them in the first discourse. I labored there until February, 1855, at which time my brother, who had been laboring on the island of Hawaii, was about returning home on account of his poor health. I met him in Honolulu, and remained there until after he sailed, and then returned to Kauai.

The editors and priests on the islands adopted the same course in opposing us; the one would publish any article that might be furnished against us or our principles, however absurd or ridiculous; and if we wrote a reply, they would refuse to publish it; and the other would relate the basest falsehoods against the truth to their audiences, but would not, either publicly or privately, investigate our principles. That course among an unthinking people did not fail to produce, in a measure, its desired effect, in embittering the minds of some against the truth, yet the church continued to increase in numbers and the saints in faith and knowledge.

President Lewis having advised me to make some preparation for returning home, as I would most likely have the privilege of returning after the conference, which was to be held on the 24th of July, I tried to raise some means among the saints, that now numbered between 7 and 800 in the conference where I had been laboring, but they were poor and I could not succeed. President Lewis thought, under the circumstances, that I had better go to Honolulu and work with my hands for the required means. Accordingly, about the 1st of June, I left Elder Molen in charge, with Elder Partridge, to assist him, and went to work with my trowel and hammer until the conference.

We met at the place selected for the gathering of the saints, a report of which was sent you. The arrangements that were made for the gathering of the saints were the best that could be made at the time, and perhaps nothing better can be done for some time to come; yet I am satisfied, that as soon as it is possible to bring them away from the islands and locate them at some suitable place south, where the climate will not be too cold, that ten of them may be made more serviceable both to themselves and the kingdom of God than one hundred at any

location on the islands. In the first place, they will have nothing but the good instructions that the elders who may be placed to reside over them will impart, while, in the latter, the influence of priestcraft, and of unbelieving friends will continually be near to entice them away.

On the 30th of August, in company with Elders Green and Keeler, I sailed from Honolulu, and after a fine passage of 17 days, arrived at San Francisco, where we found Elders Cannon, Bull, and Wilkie rapidly progressing with the work of printing the Book of Mormon in the Hawaiian language. The untiring perseverance with which they carry on the work, and that too with but little means, cannot be surpassed.

We staid one week in San Francisco, and then left for San Bernardino, where we arrived on the 28th of September. I really felt that I had got among the saints from the welcome that I received. The good feeling that existed among them generally, and the good instruction that was given by Elders Lyman and Rich, all tended to refresh my memory of the past.

On the 26th of Oct., through an arrangement made by Elder Rich, (not having an outfit of my own) I started in company with Elder Lyman and others for home. We had a very agreeable journey for the season, and on the 1st day of Dec. we arrived in Great Salt Lake City, where I found my family, who had come that far to meet me. I need not attempt to describe the pleasure that I felt in once more beholding my wife and children in good health, and of meeting again with the saints, with whom I for ever could dwell. You are not unacquainted with the joy that such a meeting will give. And now that I am at home, I will close my communication by saying, that I am on hand to stay at home or go abroad, or do whatever may be required of me.

With sincere regard, I remain your brother in the Lord,  
REDDIN A. ALLRED.

SAN BERNARDINO, Nov. 30, 1855.

Bro. Carrington:—All letters and papers for the Sandwich Islands Mission should hereafter be directed to the care of Elder John T. Caine, Honolulu, Oahu, Sandwich Islands.

As the present state of my health forbids my encountering a cold climate, I have concluded to tarry here through the winter, and come up with the spring company under President Rich.

Give my respects to the First Presidency and all inquiring friends.—I remain, as ever, your brother in the new covenant,  
PHILIP B. LEWIS.

NEPHI, Dec. 24, 1855.

## EDITOR OF THE NEWS:

Dear Sir:—As the mountains are again capped with snow and the mail routes almost impassable, I thought a word from Nephi might be interesting.

We enjoyed ourselves in our annual feast, which came off on the last of November and first of the present month, our house not being large enough to accommodate all at once.

We have had the pleasure of hearing from several of the missionaries sent to visit the saints, and rejoiced in their instructions, for the spirit of their calling truly attended their labors.

Through the blessings of our Heavenly Father enough has been raised to sustain us till next harvest. Our city is improving; several good houses have been built this season.

Br. Samuel L. Adams has a machine to make cut nails nearly finished. Our meetings are well attended, and a lively spirit prevails. Dancing is not neglected.—Yours in the covenant of peace,  
SAMUEL PITCHFORTH.

[Printed by order of the Legislative Assembly.]

## AN ACT—Providing for holding a Convention, with a view to the admission of Utah into the Union as a State.

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the Governor and Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Utah, That an election shall be held in each precinct in the several counties, at the usual places of holding the general election, on Saturday, the 16th day of February, A.D., 1856, at which time and places the electors may vote for or against holding a convention to take the preparatory steps for the admission of this Territory into the Union as a State, and for such persons as they may wish to elect Delegates thereto, according to the following apportionment:

Great Salt Lake and Summit Counties,	Sixteen.
Weber and Desert	Four.
Iron and Washington	Three.
Davis county	Three.
Green River county	One.
Tooele	One.
Utah	Five.
Junab	One.
San Pete	Two.
Millard	Two.
Carson	One.

SEC. 2. The election shall be conducted in accordance with the “Act regulating Elections,” approved Jan. 3, 1853, so far as applicable, and so soon as the general abstract of the names voted for as delegates is made out, the county clerk shall furnish an official notification of election to each person found elected, which notification, upon presentation at the office of the Secretary of the Territory, shall entitle the person holding it to a certificate from the Secretary, or to a seat in the Convention in case that officer, from any unforeseen cause, should be prevented from giving such certificate.

SEC. 3. The Delegates shall meet in the Council House in Great Salt Lake City on the third Monday in March, A.D., 1856, shall qualify by taking the customary oath, which may be administered by any person authorized to administer oaths, and shall proceed to organize by choosing a President, Secretary, and such other officers as they may deem proper.

SEC. 4. The Convention is authorized to form and adopt a Constitution for the new Territory of Utah, with a view to its admission into the Union as a State on an equal footing with the original States, to define the boundaries by which the new State shall be limited, and designate the name by which it shall be known, to memorialize the President and Congress of the United States for its admission, to take such other lawful and prudent measures as they may deem necessary for the accomplishment of so desirable an object, and to elect and authorize Delegates whose duty it shall be to present the Constitution, Memorial, and other appropriate Convention documents to the President and Congress of the United States, and to use their best efforts towards procuring a favorable action thereon.

SEC. 5. The Convention shall submit the Constitution which they form and adopt, the names of the Delegates they elect and their other public documents, designed by them to be entrusted to said Delegates to the people for their approval at such time and places and in such manner as it may prescribe, and if approved by the people, the Delegates thus elected shall forthwith repair to Washington, District of Columbia, to perform the duties herein specified, and such other duties as the Convention may with propriety devolve upon them.

SEC. 6. In event that the electors in Carson county do not receive timely notice of the election to be held on

Saturday the 16th day of February next, as herein before specified, the Probate Judge of that county is hereby empowered and required to hold such election on any subsequent day, Sunday excepted, that will leave sufficient time for the Delegate to reach the Convention, and until he shall appear to take his seat, the present Representative from that county, the Hon. Enoch Reese, is authorized to act in his stead.

Approved Dec. 17, 1855.

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the original, on file in my office.

A. W. BABBITT, Sec'y of U. T.

## AN ACT—Providing for the enumeration of the Inhabitants of the Territory of Utah.

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the Governor and Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Utah, That a Census Agent shall be elected by the joint vote of this Legislative Assembly, who shall be sworn to discharge the duties of his office.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Census Agent to ascertain the number of inhabitants in this Territory, distinguishing males and females and number in each county, and make a report thereof to the Governor, on or before the first Monday in March next.

SEC. 3. The Census Agent is authorized to appoint such number of assistants as he may deem proper, who shall qualify as the Agent, and act under his direction.

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## SAN BERNARDINO LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

—From our correspondent at San Bernardino we learn that the citizens of our neighboring city have set the praiseworthy example of forming a Library Association. Our correspondent says:—

On Monday evening, the 22d of October, the citizens of San Bernardino assembled for the purpose of forming a Library Association. The following officers were elected:—

President—Alden A. M. Jackson.  
Vice President—Horace A. Skinner.  
Recording Secretary—Daniel Stark.  
Corresponding Secretary—Horace Rolfe.  
Directors—Theodore Turley, Addison Pratt, John P. Lee, Ira Burns, and Wm. J. Cox.  
Treasurer—Nathan E. Dodge.  
Librarian—A. P. De Lind.  
Assistant Librarian—Danl M. Thomas.

We wish our San Bernardino friends every success in their laudable enterprise, and hope liberal donations of books and periodicals will be forwarded to them by their friends from various parts of the States.—[Los Angeles Star, Nov. 3.]

MANUFACTURE OF MORTARS IN MANCHESTER.—About a month since we referred to the manufacture for the Government, by Lancaster engineers, of rifles, bayonets, ramrods, shot, shells, and mortars of a large size; and we have now to add that Messrs. S. Ellis and Co., of Salford, have received orders for ten mortars of the largest class.

They are to weigh five tons each, and to throw 13-inch shells; they will be 4ft. 5in. long, 2ft. 11in. in diameter at the muzzle, with 11in. of metal at that point and 13in. at the breech.—The cleaned casting for the first mortar was yesterday removed from Messrs. Ellis and Co's foundry, Worsley Street, to their fitting-up shop, Stanley Street, Salford, where it will be bored and finished.

Some time has necessarily been occupied in preparing for the casting; but the work will now be continued night and day until the ten mortars are completed.—[Manchester Guardian.]

A FAIR OFFER.—Dr. Franklin once made the following offer to a young man:—

“Make a full statement of all you owe, and of all that is owing you. Reduce the same to a note. As fast as you can collect, pay over to those you owe. If you cannot collect, renew your note every year, and get the best security you can. Go to business diligently, and be industrious; waste no idle moments; be very economical in all things; discard all pride; be faithful in your duty to God, be regular and hearty in prayer, morning and night; attend church regularly every Sunday; and do unto all men as you would they should do unto you. If you are in too needy circumstances to give to the poor, do whatever else is in your power for him cheerfully; but if you can, always help the poor and unfortunate. Pursue this course diligently and sincerely for seven years, and if you are not happy, comfortable, and independent in your circumstances, come to me, and I will pay your debts.”

TWO ANECDOTES ON “FITS.”—We remember a quack doctor who was called in to attend a case of fever which baffled his skill, and when the patient became impatient, complaining of the doctor's want of success, the quack replied: “Well, I give up, I can't break up this fever, but I will give you something to throw you into fits, and I'm death on fits!” Here is another: A man in passing along up Water street, saw a placard announcing the exhibition of a remarkable talking parrot. He turned in, after paying his shilling, and stood before the bird, who was as dumb as an owl. Finding all attempts to draw the parrot into conversation quite in vain, he called out to the owner: “I thought you said that this ‘ere animal could talk?” “So she can when she sees fit.” “Well, then I wish you would send for Fit amazin' quick, for I'm in a hurry.”

SPELLING.—Words are thought to be accidents, and yet how curious it is that the name of God should be spelt with exactly four letters in so many different languages! In Latin it is Deus; French, Dieu; Old Greek, Zenus; German Gott; Old German, Odin; Swedish, Gode; Hebrew, Aden; Dutch, Herr; Syrian, Adad; Persian, Syra; Tartarian, Edga; Slavonian, Belg or Boog; Spanish, Dias; Hindoo, Eigi or Zeni; Turkish, Addi; Egyptian, Amun or Zent; Japanese, Ziu; Peruvian, Liau; Wallachian, Zene; Etrurian, Chur; Tyrrhenian, Eber; Irish, Dieh; Croatian, Doha; Margalian, Oesc; Arabian, Alla; Dualtuam, Bogt.

## MARRIED:

On the 23d December, at Drapersville in this county, by Bishop William Draper, Mr. JAMES BISHOP and Miss SINAH PUGH, both of Shrewsbury, England.

On November the 25th, at Bingham Fort, Weber county, by Elder Henry W. Baker, Mr. WILLIAM GEORGE BAKER, of London, and Miss HANNAH HAYWARD, of Portsmouth, England.

## DIED:

In the 14th Ward, G. S. L. City, December 15, 1855, MARGARET ANN CLAPP, aged 82 years and 4 months.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

## NOTICE.

GEORGE SANT, of Cedar City, Iron county, would be glad to know the residence of Peter Bell, in Utah Territory, or hear from him by mail. 43-1t.

## LOST,

ON Wednesday last, one white PIG, with a black spot on its back, about 3 months old. Whoever finding the same and will return it to George Shell, of the 6th Ward, shall be rewarded for their trouble. 43-1t. GEORGE SHELL.

## SOLDIERS AND FELLOW CITIZENS. ATTENTION!

WHEAT, FLOUR, CORN, and Merchandise for sale by S. M. JOHNSON at Brigham's Fort. And in exchange for all kinds of Soldier's claims against the Government, I will pay the highest price going. Call and see. 43-3m.

## NOTICE.

A Black and white spotted COW, with slim horns, about 6 years old, branded P E F on the left horn, broke into my enclosure about the 15th of Nov. last. The owner is requested to prove property, pay charges, and take her away. WM BURGESS, Sen., 43-2t. 16th Ward.

## ON HAND,

THE cheapest, and as good MATCHES as any imported in this Territory, manufactured by A. NEIBAUER, Surgeon Dentist, 12th Ward. Sold wholesale and retail. All kind of produce taken, cash not refused. 43-3m.

## CAME INTO

MY inclosure, about the 1st December, a light red heifer CALF, about 10 months old, branded on left hip T. And also a red STEER, the same age, white spot in the forehead, branded on left hip P. The owners are requested to come and prove property, pay charges, and take them away. PHILO JOHNSON, 43-1t. 4th Ward.

## WANTED

A FEMALE of some experience in Ayrshire Needlework, and if she is acquainted with the “Slabbing Stitch” as used in embroidering Shawls with silk, &c., so much the better. By applying to JAS. G. BROWN, West Temple St., she will hear of constant employment and good wages. J. G. B. is prepared to print collars, &c. for those who can work them. 43-1t.

## TAKEN UP,

ABOUT the first of December, a yellow HEIFER, line back, branded on the horn C O, and on the left hip + or circle, but so dull as not to be positive which. The owner can have her by proving property and paying expenses. JOHN MURRAY, 43-3t. Mountain District, Kay's Ward.

## EVENING SCHOOL.

IN The 18th Ward School House, 1½ blocks east of the Governor's Residence, to commence on Monday, Jan. 7th, 1856: WILLIAM EDDINGTON and GILBERT CLEMENTS, will open evening classes for the study of the following branches of education:—Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Grammar and Education. TERMS—48 per quarter, one half payable in advance. Pupils to supply their own light and fuel. Nights of tuition, Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays, commencing each Evening at 6 o'clock precisely. 43-3t.

## HO! FOR THE EAST.

A GENERAL AGENCY for Claims of every description. Having formed a partnership with the largest Commercial Agency in the United States, branches of which are located at St. Louis, Mo., Galveston, Tex., Charleston, S. C., New Orleans, La., New York City, Washington City, Cincinnati, O., and San Francisco, Cal. I offer my services to the citizens of Utah to attend to and obtain for them moneys and settlements of any description, or any information that they may want, on reasonable terms, in any part of the U. S. S. M. BLAIR, Attorney and Counselor at Law. 43-3m. G. S. L. City.

## Saddler and Harness Manufactory.

J. JENKINS, from London, takes the opportunity of informing the citizens and the surrounding neighborhood that he has commenced in the aforesaid line, and hopes by strict attention to the same, by good work and materials, to ensure public patronage. N.B.—A good assortment of Saddles and Harness always on hand. Old Harness bought or taken in exchange for New. Shop at north end of the Union Hotel, opposite Union Square, 17th Ward. 43-3m.

## GREAT LAND SALE

TO PAY the delinquent WATER TAXES. The following 5 acre lots will be offered for sale by Public Auction at 12 o'clock on Saturday the 15th of January 1856, near the Sugar House Ward Schoolhouse; excepting such lots as may be redeemed before the hour of sale.

Joseph Bates	Lot 12	on Block 1	tax \$2.25
Addison Everett	13	1	1.25
William Empey	4	16	1.50
J G Hardy	6	16	2.50
Hyrum Mikesell	7	16	2.50
Lewis Neely	8	16	1.50
William Swope	20	16	1.50
Christian Christensen	3	17	2.25
Benjamin Corey	5	17	3.75
Maxfield	7	17	1.50
Torson Simpson	6	15	8.25
J Everett	8	15	4.75
John Ellis	1	18	6.50
Thomas Harey	2	18	2.50
J Coats	3	18	1.50
J Malen	7	18	1.50
John Carter	8	18	4.2
David Rogers	15	18	2.5

CHARLES KENNEDY, Water Master. Sugar House Ward, Dec. 25, 1855. N.B.—Others whose bills are unpaid will soon appear. So look out. 43-3t.