

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 4, 1878.

DEATH OF ELDER ORSON HYDE.

LAST evening President John Taylor received two telegrams from Sanpete. The first was received at 6 p. m. and read as follows:

SPRING CITY, Sanpete.

Bro. Hyde has taken worse and is falling fast. M. A. HYDE.

A few minutes later the other arrived:

SPRING CITY, Nov. 28.

Prest. Hyde breathed his last at 6 o'clock. M. A. HYDE.

Our readers are not altogether unprepared for the reception of the sad news. Elder Hyde had been very unwell for about a month, and although he rallied occasionally, little expectations were entertained of his recovery. He suffered from an increase of adipose tissue in the region of the heart, which, pressing upon the blood vessels, retarded circulation and caused the deposit in his system of watery material from the blood. This was the immediate cause of his death.

At his visit to the October Conference, Elder Hyde felt particularly joyful and animated and complained only of the infirmities of age and a weakness in his lower limbs. He spoke with great force and freedom in the Tabernacle, and was buoyant and cheerful in private conversation. On his return to Sanpete he was taken with the illness which culminated in his decease. Recognizing the danger of his condition, President Taylor, accompanied by Elders Orson Pratt, Erastus Snow and Joseph F. Smith, visited Elder Hyde at his residence on the 18th inst., through which he was greatly comforted.

Orson Hyde was the son of Nathan and Sally (nee Thorp) Hyde, and was born in Oxford, New Haven County, Connecticut, January 8th, 1805. His father, who was an athletic, witty and talented man, fought, and was several times wounded in the U. S. Army, serving in Canada, under Gen. Brown, and on the frontier in the war of 1812. His mother having died when he was seven years old, Orson and his eight brothers and three sisters were scattered and he was placed under the care of a gentleman named Nathan Wheeler, with whom he stayed till the age of eighteen years. Mr. Wheeler moving from Derby, Connecticut, to Kirtland, Ohio when he was fourteen years old, he had to walk the whole distance, 600 miles, carrying his knapsack. On striking out into the world for himself he worked at several occupations and part of the time served as clerk in the store of Gilbert & Whitney.

In 1827 a religious revival made quite a stir in the neighborhood of Kirtland, and he became converted to the Methodist faith, and was appointed a class leader. Subsequently, under the preaching of Sidney Rigdon, he embraced the doctrine of the Campbellites and was baptized by immersion. He then took up his abode in the town of Mentor and commenced to study under the care of Sidney Rigdon and others, becoming proficient in several branches of education.

He then began to preach, assisting in the formation of several Campbellite branches in Loraine and Haron Counties, Ohio, over which he was appointed pastor in 1830. In the fall of the year several "Mormons" visited that neighborhood, bringing the so-called "golden Bible," which he read, and by request preached against. But feeling that he had done wrong he determined to oppose it no more until he had made further investigation. He accordingly went to Kirtland to see the Prophet, and there found that Sidney Rigdon and others of his former friends had embraced the "new gospel." After diligent inquiry he became himself convinced of its truth, and was baptized by Sidney Rigdon, October 30th, 1831, and was confirmed on the same

day under the hands of Joseph Smith the Prophet. He soon received the witness of the Spirit in a powerful manner, and began to bear testimony to his former friends. He was shortly after ordained a High Priest, and took a mission with Elder Hyrum Smith among the Campbellites of Ohio, when several branches were organized, and many sick people were healed by the laying on of hands.

In the spring of 1832, in company with Elder Samuel H. Smith, he performed an arduous mission in New York, Massachusetts, Maine and Rhode Island, traveling two thousand miles, on foot, without purse or scrip. Early in 1833, with Elder Hyrum Smith, he took a mission to Pennsylvania and Ohio, baptizing many persons into the Church. In the summer of this year he was appointed, with Elder John Gould, to carry instructions to the Saints in Jackson County, Missouri, and went on foot a distance of a thousand miles, traveling forty miles a day and swimming the rivers. They performed their mission and returned to Kirtland in November. He subsequently performed another mission to Pennsylvania, in company with Elder Orson Pratt.

In May, 1834, he started with the company which went to Missouri, calling on the way, with Elder Parley P. Pratt, to see Governor Daniel Dunklin, to intercede for the restoration of the Missouri Saints upon the lands from which they had been driven. Their labor was in vain. In the following winter he was chosen as one of the Twelve Apostles, and in the spring of 1835 traveled with them through Vermont and New Hampshire. In 1836 he was sent to the State of New York and afterwards to Canada, where, in company with Elder Parley P. Pratt, he helped to raise up several branches of the Church.

In the spring of 1837 he went with others to England, where about fifteen hundred persons were baptized by their united labors. He returned to Kirtland May 21, 1838, and in the summer moved to Far West, Missouri. Upon the settlement of the Saints in Commerce, afterwards called Nauvoo, he moved there and at the April Conference in 1840, was sent on a mission to Jerusalem. Elder John E. Page was appointed to accompany him, but failing to fill the appointment Elder Hyde proceeded alone. He crossed the ocean to England, passed over to Germany, staying in Bavaria to learn the German language, went to Constantinople, also to Cairo and Alexandria, and after encountering many hardships, reached the Holy City and, on the morning of Sunday, Oct. 24, 1841, went up on to the Mount of Olives, and dedicated and consecrated the land for the gathering of Judah's scattered remnants. He also erected a pile of stones there, as a witness, and one upon Mount Zion, according to a vision given to him previous to leaving Nauvoo, and the predictions of the Prophet Joseph upon his head. He returned home in December, 1842.

Elder Hyde accompanied the Saints in the expulsion from Nauvoo, and in 1846, was appointed, with Elders John Taylor and Parley P. Pratt to go to England and set in order the Churches there. They left their families on the frontier. Elder Hyde took charge of the *Millennial Star*, while Elders Taylor and Pratt travelled through the Conferences. He returned in 1847, and when the pioneers left for the mountains he remained in charge of the Saints at Winter Quarters. He published the *Frontier Guardian* at Council Bluffs, and came to Salt Lake City in 1851. In 1855 he went in charge of several missionaries to Carson, and organized the county, which was then in Utah, but subsequently was included in Nevada. Elder Hyde was afterwards sent to take charge of affairs in Sanpete County. He took up his residence in Spring City, and was the leading spirit in that region until his decease. He was for many years an active member of the Legislative Assembly. At the time of his death he was a member of the committee for the construction of the Manti Temple.

Elder Hyde was a man of great natural ability, and by industrious application had acquired a good education, which, with his great and varied experiences and extended travels, rendered him a powerful instrument in the hands of God for the defence and dissemination of the gospel and the building up of the latter-day work. He leaves

a numerous family and a host of faithful friends who mourn their separation from one of the great men of Israel, an Apostle of the latter-day dispensation. His voice has been heard in many lands. It is now hushed in death. But he has gone to join his brethren of the Holy Priesthood behind the veil, who will welcome his coming with joy, and, freed from the infirmities which enfeebled him in his later years and all the weaknesses of mortal flesh, he will again, and with greater power than ever, proclaim the glad tidings of great joy, finding a wider sphere for his labors than the whole of this earthly globe can afford.

The funeral will take place at Spring City, Sanpete, on Sunday afternoon, when several of the Apostles and others will be present. We condole with the bereaved and trust that they may be comforted with the assurance that he has finished his work, made sure his crown, and gone to his rest with honor and the blessings of the Saints. Peace be to his dust.

FUNERAL OF ELDER ORSON HYDE.

THE following telegram received by President Taylor this morning, contains all the particulars that have yet reached us of the obsequies of Elder Hyde, who has gone to his rest after a life of great usefulness and diversified labors in the vineyard of the Master.

SPRING CITY,

Dec. 1st, 1878, 4 p. m.

President John Taylor and Council.

We have just consigned to the tomb in Spring City cemetery, the remains of Prest. Orson Hyde. One hundred and twenty teams and many horsemen and footmen were in the procession. There was a general gathering of Sanpete County, and a calm and serene spirit pervaded the vast assembly. Addresses were delivered by Wilford Woodruff and Erastus Snow. The music and ceremonies were very appropriate. We hold meetings to night at Ephraim and Moroni.

W. WOODRUFF,
ERASTUS SNOW.

THE BRITISH ADVANCE.

THE range of mountains through which the British troops are now forcing their way in order to penetrate into the northern interior of Afghanistan, is known as the Solyma range. It is no mere series of hills, but a broad tract of mountainous country, from fifty to a hundred and fifty miles across. Some of their peaks rear their rugged heads to a height of 18,060 feet.

There are several roads between Peshawur in British India and Cabul, the Afghan capital. But the most frequented is through the Kurd Cabul and Khyber passes. The latter has been forced by the British and its principal fortress, Ali Musjid, is now in their hands. Late dispatches state that after securing this fort they pushed on to Dakka, or as it is generally spelled, Dhaka.

The most formidable obstacle now in their path is the fortress of Jelalabad, between the Khyber defile and the Kurd Cabul pass. Here it might be anticipated that the troops of the Ameer would make a determined stand against the further advance of the enemy. But the telegraph reports its evacuation. This news is rather doubtful, considering its strong position and the advantage its possession will give to the invader. But if it proves to be correct, the British forces will only have to push on through the Kurd Cabul pass, to come within hailing distance of the Ameer's capital.

It is but 78 miles from Jelalabad to Cabul. It was at the former place that Sir Robert Sale made his famous and gallant resistance in the disastrous campaign of 1841-2, when the British forces were driven out of Cabul and most of them perished in the mountain passes. Gen. Pollock relieved Sir Robert, who had bravely held his position and inflicted great loss on the foe.

What Cabul is to northern Afghanistan, Candahar is to the central and southern portion of the country. It lies on one of the main routes from Persia to British

India, which passes through a portion of Beloochistan. Having occupied Quetta at the northern end of the Bolun Pass, the route is not naturally difficult to Candahar, the former capital of Afghanistan. It is a fortified city inclosed with mud walls, and is situated on an elevated plain about 200 miles southwest of Cabul. It was held by the British troops from 1839 to 1842, and commands the main traveled route from Herat, near the Persian frontier, to the Afghan capital.

The opening of the campaign against the stubborn Ameer is very promising, and unless he eats a little humble pie and makes advance toward conciliation and peace, it is quite probable that the Empress of India will make some extension of her territory before many months have passed away. Russia will have something to say on this matter, without doubt, but at present the Czar does not seem anxious to say it with the voice of the cannon, nor to utter it over crossed swords.

Local and Other Matters

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, NOV. 29.

District Court.—Friday morning, Nov. 29.

People vs. Thos O'Neil; jury return a verdict against defendant as charged.

People, etc. vs. James L. Garrett; defendant pleads not guilty.

New Music.—Mr. D. O. Calder, the popular music dealer has received "The Bells of Corneville" an opera comique, the "Nonpareil March," and the "Concordia Waltzes," all published by Oliver Ditson of Boston.

Down with 'Em.—Agreeable to the requirement of the city ordinance published in the NEWS, relating to the removal of signs, awnings and other obstructions, we notice that some of them are being taken down to-day.

Police Court.—Yesterday, Barney Mowrey was arrested for appropriating lost money to his own use. Committed with bonds of \$500. To-day, Al. Householder was arrested on a charge of drunkenness and disturbing the peace, and fined \$15.

Sunday Meetings.—On account of the Sunday afternoon services in the Tabernacle closing for the season, the members of the 18th Ward are hereby notified, that, until further notice, meetings will be held in the Ward meeting-house, every Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Snow.—Mother earth donned her wintry robes last night, to the depth of two inches. The customary thaw is progressing, as well as the customary slush, and unless the overhanging clouds let down a little more of their "garnered fullness," we shall soon see nothing but bare ground again.

Eighteenth District School.—This school started a week ago last Monday, and is progressing very favorably. Miss A. M. Duncan, the principal, is a lady of experience and good government, and will do her best for the children placed under her control. We cheerfully commend her to the people of the 18th Ward and elsewhere.

The Biggest Baby Boy.—Last Monday night, the wife of Brother Robert H. Smith, of the Fifteenth Ward, presented him with a bouncing baby boy, weighing 15 lbs. If the young Hercules fills up the measure of his creation through life, as well as he has begun, he will indeed be "a mighty man in Israel." So be it.

Obsequies.—On Monday evening we published a notice of the death of Elder Paul Harrison, of paralytic, on the 23rd inst., at Wellsville, Cache County. The funeral services were held at the First Ward Meeting-house, in this city, on Tuesday afternoon, at 1 o'clock. Among those who made remarks on the occasion were Bishop Joseph Warburton, Bishop McKee and Elder C. R. Savage.

Information Wanted.—Mrs. Mary Thompson, No. 89 Elders Street, Govan, by Glasgow, Scotland, wishes to hear from Samuel Milligan, who emigrated from Glasgow Conference to Utah, in 1870 or 1871. Also of John Freckleton, who emigrated some time previous.

Mr. Govan Porter, No. 60 Mulberry Street, Calton, Glasgow, wishes to hear from Mrs. Annie Porter East. She emigrated in 1866 or 1868, to Utah.

The Latest Sign.—In the show window of one of our largest jewelry stores, on Main Street, is something to attract the attention of the sign-seekers of this generation. The advertisement consists of two words, decorated profusely with small shining metal plates or spangles, suspended within the gilded letters, to which they impart a most brilliant appearance. An electric current from a small battery gives a constant vibratory motion to the shining spangles, and renders the sign a cynosure for the public gaze.

Accident.—Yesterday morning, about 10 o'clock, Clark Lyman, a little four years old son of Brother H. K. Whitney, 18th Ward, while playing met with a severe accident. He was riding in a small toy wagon, when one of his playmates, a girl several years older, who was drawing him, running at full speed, suddenly turned the wagon, and the child Clark was thrown out upon the ground. At first it was supposed that nothing but a sprain in the right arm had resulted, but that member swelling and becoming very painful, it was deemed advisable to send for a surgeon. Dr. H. J. Richards arriving, it was found that the arm was dislocated at the elbow and one of the cartilages snapped asunder. The Dr. set and dressed the injured limb, and the little patient is progressing very favorably.

The Races.—The races at the S. L. Driving Park, yesterday afternoon, were witnessed by a vast multitude, the majority of which was on the outside of the enclosure. The day's proceedings resulted similarly to those of last Friday; Messrs. Smith and Oddy both failing to accomplish the feats for which they were advertised. Mr. Smith's selection of horses was no better than before, and although he finished the 50 miles, he closed the race about three minutes behind the set time. He certainly has the endurance to accomplish the feat, but the track must be in a better condition and his horses better animals, before he can prove his ability beyond the shadow of a doubt.

Mr. Oddy started out on his seven mile walk, with good prospects for success, and finished the first round in 7 minutes and 55 seconds; but the poor condition of the race course was against him, and at the end of the 6th mile, finding that but eight minutes remained in which to walk the remaining distance, his trainer would not allow him to proceed.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY, NOV. 30.

A Movement Toward the Poles.—The enterprise of our city fathers never flags. Not so with the flagpoles it moves against; if we may judge from the way they are coming down. An organized expedition is working in that direction, with picks, shovels and enthusiasm, vying that of a Kane or Franklin.

Bricks without Straw.—This can now be said of the building known as the Great Western Hotel, which was partially burned down some time ago. The ruins of the old timber box have been mostly removed, and good brick walls are fast superseding them. This is as it should be, and, were it not so threadbare, might evoke from us the time-honored observation, "A move in the right direction."

For the Southern States.—A number of missionaries called at the October Conference, will leave tomorrow morning for the Southern States. The following will take the eastern train at Ogden, Monday morning: Elders Jesse Vincent and Jno. R. Holt, the former of South Jordan, the latter of Mill Creek, and Elders David C. Dunbar and Jno. Groesbeck of this city.

Lost, Strayed or Stolen?—No news from the "centripetal," not even a comforting whisper. The Junction wheels have stopped while the "hub" is being lubricated. No issue of that paper until their new material arrives, probably next Monday, when the Junction will come forth in the morning. Meanwhile, a deluge of local intelligence is submerging Weber County, with no outlet but the "repeating office."

A New Painting.—Mr. Fred Lambourne, the rising young artist, has produced a very good picture of Alta, Little Cottonwood. It is on exhibition in one of the show windows of Main Street, and attracts considerable attention. It