

which is well worth cultivating. There would, however, be an objection to using long poles in consequence of high winds, but hops may be cultivated by the sides of ditches and will answer a good purpose for covering arbors and might be brought into use as an ornament about dwellings, to answer the purpose of enlivening the scenery of the country, besides being of use for many domestic purposes. The same manner of culture may be applied in this Territory as in England as regards cutting, working around the hills, etc.

**Hilling.**—At the regular meeting of the American Institute Farmer's Club, June 27, 1859, Mr. Solon Robinson said, "it is about the worst practice that ever prevailed, to hill up anything." Mr. Wm. R. Prince fully corroborated the above assertion, adding that "the practice originated in the damp soil and climate of England, where it was necessary to lift the plants above the level." Right.

Spinach has been greatly improved by preventing the plant from going to seed and preserving it over winter—the leaves acquiring enormous size and weight.

A Rose is grafted on a peach tree at Pendleton, S. C., and the tree, being in full bloom, is said to present a beautiful appearance.

### Indian Difficulties.

We have been furnished, by Dr. Forney, with the following letters and affidavit relative to recent Indian depredations:

G.S.L. City, Aug. 9, 1859.

Hon. E. SMITH, Editor of Deseret News:

Sir:—I returned this morning from a visit to Brigham City, sixty miles north, where I have been to obtain information in relation to the rumored massacre of a portion, or whole of an emigrant train, at or near the Goose Creek mountains.

Last Monday evening I received an express from Judge Smith, of Brigham City, informing me that there were reasons for believing, that a California emigrant train had been attacked, and a portion killed by the Indians.

I arrived at Brigham City last Saturday morning; and during Saturday and Sunday, succeeded in getting reliable information in addition to the information received here, by the enclosed statement of Messrs. Morgan and Aloy, that six men and one woman were killed, and six men, one woman, and a little girl wounded; some of the men mortally.

The emigrants were attacked in a canyon on Sublett's cut-off, about fifteen miles from Raft river, Oregon State. The Indians are presumed to have taken the money and property indicated in the enclosed statement.—The Indians engaged in this terrible affair are Bannacks of Oregon, and fifteen to twenty Shoshonees, belonging to several bands usually roaming in the vicinity of Willow Creek, Brigham City, and Cache, Malad, and Bear river valleys, in the northern portion of my superintendency. A portion of the property taken was brought to the northern settlements by the Indians and attempted to be sold; none of the citizens purchased any, although offered for much less than worth. Several passing emigrants bought portions of the property.

Those bands of Indians, some of whose number were engaged in the murder, left the northern part of the Territory two days before my arrival there.

Before I left the City I made a requisition, through Gov. Cumming, to Gen'l Johnston, for a small military force. A company of dragoons will be in, or near this city this evening, for the northern part of the Territory.

I will permit no person or persons to have any communication with those bands of Indians who harbor the guilty persons, until the guilty are given up for punishment. I will most certainly punish to the utmost extremity of the law, all persons who shall sell, give, take or buy, anything whatever from those bands of Shoshonees, until such as were engaged in the massacre are delivered up by the chiefs.

Yours truly,  
J. FORNEY,  
Sup't of Ind. Affairs, U. T.

BRIGHAM CITY, Box Elder County, U. T. }  
August 6, 1859. }

DR. J. FORNEY, SUPERINTENDENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS:

Sir:—At your request, I herewith transmit to you a statement of a report made to me by a Shoshonee Indian, on the evening of July 30, concerning a massacre of some emigrants, at or near the Goose Creek mountains, U. T., about the 24th of July last, by a party of Shoshonee and Flathead Indians.

The Indian said two Flathead Indians went to the emigrants' camp to trade, and the emigrants killed both of the Indians, and immediately a party of 20 Shoshonees and Flatheads attacked the train, and killed 5 men and 1 woman; that 2 men on horses made their escape, and that two women belonging to the train were not killed. He further stated that the Indians took the animals belonging to the train, and such things belonging to the wagons, as they pleased, and then fled with the spoils. The Indian had a neatly executed daguerreotype likeness of one man and three ladies in his possession, which was gotten from the massacred company, and which I bought of him for your inspection. The animals were branded "S" on the left shoulder.

Very respectfully,  
J. H. TIPPETTS.

BRIGHAM CITY, Utah Territory, }  
August 6, 1859. }

David D. Morgan and Richard D. Alvy, citizens of Ogden City, Utah Territory, make the following statement to J. Forney, Supt. Ind. Aff., in relation to the recent massacre on Sublett's Cut-off, in the State of Oregon.

We returned this evening to this city, from Sublett's Cut off. Three weeks ago, last Wednesday, we left Brigham City for the Goose Creek mountains, with butter, eggs and cheese to trade with emigrants. Shoshonee Indians came to our camp every day; they were quiet and peaceable, and did not molest us in any manner. These Indians belonged to Chief Po-ko-tella's band.

Sunday, July 31, when on our way home, we met four men belonging to a large California train, near Raft River, on Sublett's Cut-off. One of the men asked us where we were going, and where from; we said home. They said you had better go home, for the Indians have been playing the devil; they have killed a whole train. When the whole train came up, they bought some butter and eggs from us. \* \* \* \* \*

They then told us that six men and one woman was killed and six men wounded by Indians. It was expected that two of the wounded men would die that night. One woman was ravished, and she was willing to swear by five white men, and afterwards shot through the thigh. A little girl was also shot through the thigh, breaking the bone. The men told us that they assisted to bury four of the men, the other two and the woman had been buried already.

The men told us that the Indians took \$1700 from the wagons, and stripped them generally of every thing, and burned four wagons, drove away 30 horses and mules, and some cattle. The fight took place, July 24, in a canyon about fifteen miles from Raft River, on Sublett's Cut-off, in the State of Oregon. We met a Mr. Smith, with a team, going to California, who told us that he had purchased from Indians three oxen and two cows for twenty dollars (\$20), said he thought it was stolen property, and if he met the owners he would give up the cattle.

DAVID D. X MORGAN,  
RICHARD D. X ALVY.

Witnesses—Jos. A. Gebow,  
A. Neeley Armentus.  
Sworn to and subscribed before me at my office in Brigham City, Box Elder County, U. T., August 7, 1859.  
SAMUEL SMITH,  
Probate Judge, B. E. C., U. T."

### A Russian Wolf Hunt.

The following story was translated from a late number of M. Alex. Dumas' newspaper. It is an extract from one of his letters from St. Petersburg:

Wolf hunting and bear hunting are the favorite pleasures of the Russians. Wolves are hunted in this way in the winter, when the wolves being hungry, are ferocious. Three or four hunters, each armed with a double barreled gun, get into a troika, which is a sort of carriage drawn by three horses—its name being derived from its team and not its form. The middle horse trots always, the left-hand and right-hand horses must always gallop. The middle horse trots with his head hanging down, and he is called the snow-eater. The two others have only one rein and they are fastened to the poles by the middle of the body and gallop—their heads are free; they are called the furies.

The troika is driven by a sure coachman. A pig is tied to the rear of the vehicle by a rope or chain (for greater security,) some twelve yards long. The pig is kept in the vehicle until the huntsmen reach the forest where the hunt is to take place when he is taken out and the horses started. The pig not being accustomed to this gait, begins to squeal, and his squeals soon degenerate into lamentations. His cries bring out one wolf, who gives chase to the pig; then two wolves, then three, then ten, then fifty wolves—all posting as hard as they can after the poor pig, fighting among themselves for the best places, snapping and striking at the poor pig at every opportunity, who squeals with despair. These squalls of agony arouse all the wolves in the forest, within a circuit of three miles, and the troika is followed by an immense flock of wolves. It is now that a good driver is indispensable. The horses have an instinctive horror of wolves, and go almost crazy; they run as fast as they can go. The huntsmen fire as fast as they can load—there is no necessity to take any aim. The pig squeals—the horses neigh—the wolves howl—the guns rattle; it is a concert to make Mephistopheles jealous. As long as the driver commands his horses, fast as they may be running away, there is no danger. But, if he ceases to be master of them, if they balk, if the troika is upset, there is no hope. The next day, or the day after, or a week afterward, nothing will remain of the party but the wreck of the troika, the barrels of the guns and the larger bones of the huntsmen, driver and horses.

Last winter, Prince Repnine went on one of these hunts, and it came very near being his last hunt. He was on a visit with one of his friends to one of his steps near the steppe, and they determined to go on a wolf hunt. They prepared a large sleigh, in which three persons could move at ease; three vigorous horses were put into it, and they selected for a driver a man born in the country, and thoroughly experienced in the sport. Each huntsman had a pair of double barreled guns and a hundred and fifty ball cartridges. It was night when they reached the steppe, that is, an immense prairie covered with snow. The moon was full, and shone brilliantly; its beams reflected by the snow, gave a light scarcely inferior to daylight. The pig was put out of the sleigh and the horses whipped up. As soon as the pig felt that he was dragged, he began to squeal. A wolf or two appeared, but they were timid, and kept a long way off. Their number gradually increased, and as their numbers augmented, they became bolder. There were about twenty wolves when they came within gun-range of the troika. One of the party fired; a wolf fell. The flock became alarmed, and half fled away. Seven or eight hungry wolves re-

mained behind to devour their dead companion. The gaps were soon filled. On every side, howls answered howls; on every side, sharp noses and brilliant eyes were seen peering. The guns rattled volley after volley. But the flock of wolves increased instead of diminished; and soon it was not a flock, but a vast herd of wolves, in thick serried columns, which gave chase to the sleigh. The wolves bounded forward so rapidly, they seemed to fly over the snow, and so lightly, that not a sound was heard; their number continued to increase, and increase; they seemed to be a silent tide drawing nearer and nearer, and which the guns of the party, rapidly as they were discharged, had no effect upon. The wolves formed a vast crescent, whose horns began to encompass the horses. Their number increased so rapidly, that they seemed to spring out of the ground. There was something weird in their appearance; for where could three thousand wolves come from in such a desert of snow? The party had taken the pig into the sleigh; his squeal increased the wolves' boldness. The party continued to fire, but they had now used about half their ammunition, and had but two hundred cartridges left, while they were surrounded by three thousand wolves. The two horns of the crescent became nearer and nearer, and threatened to envelop the party. If one of the horses gave out the fate of the whole party was sealed.

"What do you think of this, Ivan?" said the Prince, addressing the driver.

"I had rather be at home, Prince."

"Are you afraid of any evil consequences?"

"The devils have tasted blood, and the more you fire the more wolves you'll have."

"What do you think is the best thing to be done?"

"Make the horses go faster."

"Are you sure of the horses?"

"Yes, prince."

"Are you sure of our safety?"

The driver made no reply. He quickened the horses and turned their heads towards home. The horses flew faster than ever. The driver excited them to increased speed by a sharp whistle and made them describe a curve which intersected one of the horns of the crescent.

The wolves opened their ranks and let the horses pass. The Prince raised his gun to his shoulder.

"For God's sake, don't fire!" exclaimed the driver, "we are dead men if you do."

He obeyed Ivan. The wolves astonished at this unexpected act, remained motionless for a minute. During this minute the troika gained on them.

When the wolves started again after it, it was too late; they could not overtake it. A quarter of an hour afterwards they were in sight of home.

The prince thinks the horses must have run at least six miles in those fifteen minutes. He rode over the steppe the next day and found the bones of more than two hundred wolves.

General Scott has issued an order, directing the officers of the army to give regular and systematic instructions to the troops in bayonet exercise and target practice for small arms, and in the full use of the several weapons placed in their hands.

### Married:

On the 24th of July, by Bishop A. McRae, Mr. WILLIS COPELAND and Miss AMELIA ANGLIER, all of this city.

### New Advertisements.

"GLOBE"

RESTAURANT AND BOARDING HOUSE.

A FEW GENTEEL SLEEPING ROOMS NOW READY.

24-2 DAVID CANDLAND, Lessee.

MILLER, RUSSELL & CO.

GOODS AT COST!

The undersigned beg leave to inform the public that they will be in receipt of

FIFTY-ONE

WAGON LOADS OF GOODS on or about the 17th inst., comprising an extensive assortment of

DRY GOODS, GROCERIES,  
BOOTS AND SHOES,  
HATS & CAPS,  
CLOTHING, &c.,

Which, together with their well selected stock now on hand, they will sell at their store in this city, by the PIECE or PACKAGE,

AT COST,  
AND TWENTY CTS. FREIGHT.

The attention of country dealers and those desirous of purchasing their family supplies is called to the inducements thus held out, as we are determined to sell on the terms set forth above.

24-4

STAINES & Co.,

HAVING PURCHASED THE GOODS  
BELONGING TO

EWING, WINSOR & LETTON,

CONSISTING OF

200 PEORIA, ILLINOIS FLOWS,  
2500 SLAB STEEL,  
150 BAKE KETTLES,  
700 LBS. BACON,  
7500 LBS. SUGAR,  
1000 SACKS SUGAR,  
RICE, DRIED FRUIT, SPICES, OYSTERS,  
SARDINES & CAN FRUITS.

COTTON YARN,  
OSNABURGS, SHEETINGS

—AND—  
PRINTS,  
BOOTS, SHOES,

&c., &c. &c.,

WHICH WE ARE SELLING

LOWER

THAN ANY OTHER HOUSE IN TOWN

WHOLESALE OR RETAIL.

COUNTRY MERCHANTS will do well to call and see us before purchasing elsewhere.

50 GOOD WAGONS

AND COVERS, FOR SALE

LOW FOR CASH!

WE ARE EXPECTING A HEAVY

TRAIN OF GOODS

In a FEW DAYS with a GENERAL ASSORTMENT which will be sold at the

LOWEST FIGURE!

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CHEAP GOODS

AT WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

THE undersigned is now opening a choice STOCK OF GROCERIES, consisting of Sugar, Coffee, Teas, Tobacco, Dried Fruits, Soap, Candies, Saleratus, and every thing generally found in a wholesale grocery establishment, which they will sell very low for cash, at George Cronyn's old stand, north of C. A. Perry & Co's., Salt Lake City. 24-3 GEO. CRONYN & Co.

### STOLEN.

ALL persons, and especially those residing in or passing through the northern portion of this Territory, are requested not to take or purchase (unless with a view to return it to the owners) certain property taken from a California emigrant train, by Bannock Indians of Oregon, and Shoshonee Indians of this Territory, such as horses, mules and cattle, brand S, pistols, jewelry, &c.

I especially caution, under the severest penalty of the law, persons not to harbor, give, sell, take or buy anything whatever from any chief or from any of their men or squaws belonging to the three bands of Indians roaming in the neighborhood of Willow Creek and Brigham City settlements, and in Cache, Malad and Bear river valleys, and in the northern portion of this Territory generally; until the twenty or more Indians who took part in the recent massacre on Sublett's Cut-off, July 24, are delivered up. JACOB FORNEY, Superintendent of Indian Affairs.

300 DOLLARS REWARD  
WILL be paid for the apprehension and delivery to the undersigned, in Great Salt Lake City, of DELOSS GIBSON, alias Deloss Melvin Gipson, who escaped from Jail of Great Salt Lake County, on the evening of Thursday the 11th instant, where he was confined on a charge of murder.

Said Gibson is about 23 years old, about 5 feet 5 inches in height. Rather heavy set, has blue eyes, and dark hair; had some tattooing on one or both of his arms.

ROBERT T. BURTON,  
Sheriff of G.S.L. County,  
Utah Territory.

24-1

SPAN OF HORSES LOST  
ON Friday evening last, the 12th instant, at the mouth of Mill creek canyon, an iron grey HORSE, medium size, with white face and legs, branded 21 on his right fore shoulder, with lariet. His mate, a WHITE HORSE medium size, with H on right fore shoulder, church brand X on left fore shoulder, and other brands.

Whoever will give information at the Deseret News office that will lead to their recovery will be handsomely rewarded. 24-1

\$5 REWARD!  
ESTRAYED, about two weeks since, from Red Butte canyon, a large red and white COW, about 9 years old; on each side four red spots, forming a diamond, hole in right ear, points of both ears cut off, no brand.

Whoever will return her to me, shall receive the above reward. For information of her I will pay liberally. C. TWEDE, Second South street, 24-1 Last house east of 11th Ward school house.

\$5 REWARD!  
STRAYED or stolen, from Wm. H. Hooper's herd ground on Weber river, a red two year old HEIFER and CALF. The heifer branded S in a circle on left shoulder, two holes in right ear.

Whoever can inform me of the whereabouts of said cow and calf, please do so and receive your reward. 24-1 J. M. SIMMONS.

NOTICE.  
CAME into my inclosure, August 3d, a three year old COW, red and white, spot on the forehead, the bush of the tail off.

The owner is requested to pay charges and take it away. 24-1 DANIEL HENDRIX, 12th Ward.