

## LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

## FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY.

**IMPORTANT TO POSTMASTERS.**—Col. J. H. Wickizer, Post Office Inspector for Utah, Montana, Idaho and Wyoming Territories, arrived in Salt Lake City on Sunday evening. The Postmasters throughout the Territory will do well to note this, as Col. Wickizer is prepared to furnish any information with regard to the postal service, or to remedy any defects that may exist, as far as practicable, and, in fact, to remove any evils or cause of complaint that may fall within the province of his office.

The Colonel is a man of large experience in postal affairs, and for the last three years has held the very responsible position of Special Mail Agent at Chicago. He is spoken of as a very courteous and able gentleman. His headquarters will be in Salt Lake City, and all letters addressed to him at the Salt Lake City Post Office, will find him.

**DROWNED.**—On the 20th of July, at Draper, by falling into a tub of water, William Coaster, son of Joseph J. C. and Elizabeth Reid, aged 1 year, 5 months and 23 days.

Postmaster Street would like to see Mr. Mark Huston, who is now in this city, at his office.

**SERIOUS ACCIDENT.**—Brother John M. Lewis, of Richmond, Cache County, informs us that his son Charles Benjamin, while out herding on Thursday last, about six miles from Coalville, up Chalk Creek Canyon, met with a painful and rather serious accident. He had been shooting at some pine hens, and inadvertently put his pistol in the scabbard, still cocked. He was about mounting his horse, when he observed this, and, taking the pistol out, was letting down the hammer, when it slipped, the ball entering his abdomen, a little below the navel, on the left side, and traversing down his left thigh, lodging near the knee, where it still remains. Doctor Bogman, from Echo, was called to his assistance and dressed his wounds, but was unable to extract the ball. He was brought to this city on Saturday last, and is now under the care of Drs. Anderson and Richards and is doing as well as can be expected, though he is likely to be some time before he gets round.

**BROOM MANUFACTURE.**—Bro. G. M. Webster, who has the reputation of making very excellent brooms, called upon us yesterday and informed us that he and bishop A. Gardner, of West Jordan, intend to go into the manufacture of these articles this fall, having planted about twenty-four acres of broom corn last spring. They are determined to do their best to supply the home market with these useful articles, equal in quality and at as cheap rates as they can be imported, and we have no doubt that their long experience and business tact will enable them to do so.

**SUDDEN DEATH OF AN INFANT.**—It is with feelings of deep regret that we record the death of John, the infant son of Thomas M. and Lizzie Murphy, of Morgan City, which occurred on the 25th ult. under the following very singular circumstances: Whilst eating a piece of potato he was seized with a fit of coughing, when a small piece of the potato was lodged in his windpipe, causing his instant death by suffocation. All efforts to aid the child were unavailing. He was the first child of his parents, and was only ten months and four days old.

Such an occurrence as this is very rare, yet it is a wonder it is so, for there is always danger in allowing infants of such a tender age to attempt to eat solid food; the result of doing so, as exemplified in this case, should act as a severe warning to all parents who read this notice against doing so in future.

**ANOTHER MAIL ROBBERY.**—The Elko, Nevada, Independent, of Saturday, the 31st ult., says:

"Thursday morning, between three and four o'clock, when Wells, Fargo & Co.'s stages were about one mile this side of Panake Station, three men stepped out of the cedars and, presenting shot-guns, ordered a halt. The driver yielded to the pressure of circumstances and stopped. 'Hand out that heavy box!' said the leader, in no gentle voice. The driver told the 'agent' that if he thought there was a heavy box aboard, he'd better come up and find it. The fellow simply ordered the box passed out, which was done, and taking it between two of them the whole party moved into the bushes. The passengers were not disturbed in any way, though they sat very uneasy while the 'agent' was around, expecting to be called upon for their valuables. We are informed that but little was in the box, hardly enough to give the robbers a decent spree. Should any of these gangs be caught, we recommend a little judicious hanging."

**SPRING LAKE VILLA.**—A correspondent writing from the above settlement on the 30th ult. says the grasshoppers are now upon us in countless myriads, rendering the atmosphere hazy and making vegetation brown. This settlement is but a small one consisting of only three families, yet we have good Sabbath meetings and a well-attended Sunday school.

## FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY.

**DANISH COMPANY LEAVE OMAHA.**—By telegram to President Brigham Young from Elders W. H. Miles and D. M. Stuart, we learn the Danish company, whose names appeared in Monday's paper, left Omaha yesterday.

**A CAUTION, NEARLY POISONED.**—Bro. Carter, the photographer, informs us that he had a child, three and a half years old, nearly poisoned by eating the pits of the apricot. The child was seized with convulsions, and was soon so far gone that her eyes were glazed, the pulse had ceased and there was no apparent motion of the heart. A lobelia emetic was administered, and her stomach relieved of the offending matter, and this morning she is so far recovered as to be able to run around again.

This case should be noted by parents, and they should be careful not to let their children eat these things. This is just the season at which they will do it unless they are looked after. Many of the little folks like to crack the seed of the apricot, plum and peach, in order to obtain the pits to eat. Chemists say that they contain a large amount of prussic acid, one of the most deadly of all poisons, hence the danger arising from their immoderate use by the little folks.

**THE CASHMERE SHAWL GOAT.**—We had the pleasure of viewing this morning, the first Cashmere Shawl Goats imported into this Territory—a ram, ewe and kid, the property of Bro. Daniel Grenig, having been purchased by him of the United Cashmere Company of Tennessee. They are what are denominated full blood animals, being fifteen-sixteenths pure. The fibre is as fine as silk, glistens like polished silver, and grows a length of ten inches; the very finest fabrics in the world are manufactured from it. These animals are wonderfully hardy, their long, thick fleece enabling them to endure the most rigorous winters. They will live and thrive on much poorer fare than sheep, and it is believed that they will flourish splendidly anywhere in Utah, even in the most sterile portions of it. When crossed with the common goat their fleece is of great worth, and as they are very prolific, it will pay well for our farmers and others interested to invest, if the fleece can be manufactured. Bro. Grenig would like to go into partnership with some farmer in multiplying crosses of these beautiful animals with the common goat. They can be seen at his house in the Fifteenth Ward.

We regard the importation of these animals into the Territory as of great importance, believing that it will speedily lead to the development of a large wool growing and woollen manufacturing interest here, which will be another great step towards making our people self-sustaining.

**CHILD DROWNED.**—Another of these melancholy events occurred on Sunday morning last, at Grantsville, a child of Brother Benjamin Barrus, aged three years, being drowned in a well.

**ENCOUNTER WITH A MOUNTAIN LION.**—Under this heading the Helena, Ma., Daily Gazette of the 30th ult. says:

"Charley Lock, who has been prospecting on one of the right hand forks of Ten Mile, came into town last evening. He informs us that on a stream about sixteen or seventeen miles from town, a short distance from Minne-ha-ha-gulch, he discovered placer diggings that will undoubtedly pay well were there only water sufficient to work them. When at work on his ground he encountered a good-sized mountain lion, but having no fire-arms of any description on the first visit of his feline guest, he concluded the best defence possible under the circumstances was to remain perfectly quiet, which he did. This warning, however, was enough for himself and companion. They always afterwards brought weapons with them from their cabin to the ground. Last Wednesday week his lionship, or at least one like the first, paid them another visit sans ceremonie, while Charley was foolhardy enough to resolutely take aim at him with his revolver. The ball struck the brute slantingly on the skull, glancing off without doing serious injury, but it had the effect of making the catamount furious. With a desperate spring at his assailant, which he would undoubtedly have made good had it not been for a lucky shot of his (Charley's) comrade, who took aim at the lion and succeeded in putting a bullet through his heart. This encounter rather scared Lock and his companion, which, combined with the want of water, they concluded to come into town and let Ten Mile and the mountain lions in the vicinity alone until next season.

**A COMPLAINT.**—Brother J. J. Fuller, our agent at St. Thomas, makes complaint to us by letter, that his package of the News gets to hand very irregularly, and attributes it to a mistake at the Beaver Post Office, his package being sent on from that place via Pahranaagat instead of via St. George. We hope if the fault is at the Beaver Post Office, it will be immediately remedied.

## FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY.

**TERRITORIAL FAIR.**—We learn from R. L. Campbell, Esq., that he expects to be able to publish the list of premiums for the

approaching Territorial Fair in a very few days. Messrs. F. A. Mitchell and J. R. Winder, the committee appointed to attend to this business, being actively engaged in preparing the lists.

**A DAVIS COUNTY MAN MURDERED IN WHITE PINE.**—The Daily Inland Empire of the 1st inst., published at Hamilton, White Pine, Nevada, contains an account of the probable murder of a man named Joseph Buys, who, it says, is from Centerville, Davis Co., Utah. Buys, according to the Empire, had been in White Pine three months, and at the time of the outrage had made every arrangement to return home, having received news of the dangerous illness of a younger brother. On the evening of the 30th ult., intending to start home on the following morning, he had been enjoying himself with a few of his friends, and having left them, he and another man named G. W. Thomas, who was going to travel with him, started for their sleeping place. On their way Buys was accosted by a man who asked him to take a run round town, seeing that he was going off next morning. Buys consented, and he and Thomas parted. Buys did not come during the night, and the next morning he was found on a ledge of rocks at the northern portion of the town of Hamilton, stretched at full length on his back, and upon examination it was found that his skull had been broken and smashed in in two places besides other severe cuts and bruises about his head and face. From one of the cuts in his head a piece of rock as large as an English walnut was extracted. He was taken to the hospital, but little hopes were entertained of his recovery. An Irishman named Ryan was arrested on suspicion of being the perpetrator of the deed.

**FLOOD.**—We are informed by Bishop S. A. Woolley that a flood occurred at Little Cottonwood Canyon on Saturday last. It was caused by the bursting of a cloud, which appeared to be about four miles long. The water rushed down the canyon with tremendous velocity, carrying before it bridges, trees, huge rocks, &c. A large portion of the road was torn and washed away. Luckily no lives were lost. A number of persons had very narrow escapes. The engineer of S. A. Woolley's steam saw mill came near being carried away; but fortunately saved himself by clutching hold of a friendly tree; the current swept the shoes from his feet and tore part of his shirt from his back. The damage done by the flood amounts to about \$3,000. The water was a foot deep in the dwelling houses in the canyon. A party of men are now busily engaged in repairing the damage done. The road will, it is expected, be open for travel in about two weeks from now.

**SUICIDE AT NEPHI.**—We learn by Deseret Telegraph Line that shortly after sunset last evening Mr. William Stanly, of Nephi, committed suicide by blowing off the upper part of his head with his gun, causing immediate death. The deceased was very much respected for his honesty, faithfulness and industry.

**MORGAN CITY.**—The citizens of this place are commencing a bridge over the Weber river, to connect the two portions of the city; the prospects are that a good substantial bridge will soon be constructed. The harvest is promising in that locality, notwithstanding the frequent visits of the hoppers. So says Bro. Jas. T. Worlton, in a letter without date, written at Morgan city.

**WEBER COUNTY MAIL.**—A. W. Street, Esq., Postmaster, wishes to inform the public that the mail for Weber County, on and after to-morrow, until further notice, will leave Salt Lake City daily at 4 a.m.; the mail for Kaysville will leave at the same hour on Mondays and Thursdays.

**SMALL POX UNDER CONTROL AT COALVILLE.**—Bro. Thomas Bullock, of Coalville, Summit county, called in this morning and related to us the introduction and progress of this disease in that city. His recital was in substance as follows:

Peter Brown, Deputy Sheriff of Summit county, went from Ogden to Corinne to serve a writ, and on his return to Coalville he was seized with sickness and confined to his room eight or ten days. Upon getting around again his face bore the unmistakable evidence of small pox. In a few days after some of the members of the family of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Evans, were taken sick, and one of their children has since died, it is supposed of the same disease, although a committee, appointed by Bishop Cluff to investigate, reported to the contrary. Miss Emma Wild, who, according to Brother Bullock, is the Florence Nightingale of the mountains, who had attended the Evans family, was next taken. This seemed to confirm the idea that it was the small pox, and the City Council forthwith adopted prompt and energetic measures for the control and suppression of the disease. A small pox hospital was at once established, some two miles from Coalville, to which several known to have taken the disease have since been removed.

The members of the County Court, with Mayor Cluff, met together last Friday, for the purpose of adopting precautionary measures. They recommend all the people to be vaccinated, and advise all who may have been exposed to the influence of the disease to stay at home until every likelihood of its development has passed away, or if developing to remove at once to the hospital. A

resolution was passed that any person leaving Coalville without a pass, signed by W. W. Cluff, Mayor of the city, stating that they are perfectly free from the contagion, shall be fined \$50. Notices to the above effect have been posted in several of the most conspicuous places in the vicinity.

The authorities at Coalville feel sanguine that they have now got the disease under complete control.

All persons visiting Coalville, or the coal beds, are requested to transact their business and go on their way with as much dispatch as possible, so as not to run any unnecessary risk from exposure in any portion of the infected locality.

Brother Bullock informs us that Mayor Cluff has used the utmost energy in this matter, and has vaccinated some scores of children.

We sincerely hope that the efforts made at Coalville to stay the progress and further development of this disease will meet the success they deserve; and that if it should make its appearance in any other settlement in the Territory similar vigilance will be exercised by the authorities there.

## FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY

**DEDICATION.**—Yesterday afternoon there was a very interesting time at the dedication of the Co-operative Store and the Female Relief Department of the Fifteenth Ward. Presidents Brigham Young, G. A. Smith, D. H. Wells, Elders G. Q. Cannon, Brigham Young, Jr., and Bp. R. T. Burton were present besides a full attendance of the Relief Society and members of the Ward.

The service commenced with the singing of a hymn, composed for the occasion by Miss E. R. Snow. The dedicatory prayer was made by President D. H. Wells. Interesting but short and very appropriate discourses were delivered by Presidents G. A. Smith, D. H. Wells, Elder G. Q. Cannon and President Young.

The Female Relief Department is a room 30 x 18; it is well built, and painted and finished in a neat and tasteful manner. It has been erected by the ladies of the Female Relief Society, assisted, of course, by the members of the Ward. It is the first, we believe, in the Territory, and speaks volumes in favor of the members of the Society and of the entire Ward.

We heartily wish that the success of the ladies of the 15th Ward Female Relief Society, in their labors of love, may be commensurate with the zeal and energy they have hitherto displayed. They have set an example worthy of imitation by every Society of a similar character in the Territory.

## FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY.

**THE ECLIPSE.**—The total eclipse of the sun passed off very quietly to-day; no excitement, whatever, in this region, in fact we saw little or nothing of it. Some of the savans of the city were busy, smoked glass in hand, but we guess they saw more "hoppers" up aloft than eclipse. We noticed one of our juvenile typos busy with a piece of grimed window glass, but what the results of his observations were, we were not able to learn in time for to-day's paper. If, during his investigations and observations, he made any discovery that will tend to the advancement of science, as is usual with such experiments, we shall gladly inform our readers of the same on the first opportunity that presents itself.

We heard one of our employes, noted for his devotional turn of mind, say a good thing in connection with the eclipse,—namely, that he believed there were more with their eyes heavenward to-day than there will be to-morrow.

**THEATRICAL SENSATIONS PLAYED OUT.**—During the late dramatic season in this city, quite a number of "sars" illumined the theatrical firmament, but latterly they failed to make much sensation. Salt Lake City does not seem to be the only poor field in the Rocky Mountains for theatrical "stars" these times. In a letter recently published in the S. F. Times we are told that the Carter dramatic troupe, consisting of Mr. Carter and his wife, have been making an ineffectual attempt to create a sensation in Nevada. They appeared recently at Piper's Opera House, Virginia, opening with "Lucretia Borgia," Mrs. Carter doing "Lucretia," and Mr. Carter, by dint of rapid changes of dress and constant doubling, with considerable stretch of the imagination allowed to the audience, contrived to represent "Genarro" and all the rest of the characters in that noted five-act tragedy.

The second night the play was Ignomina, in which the lady was to personate Parthenia, and Mr. Carter Ingomar and the remainder of the barbarians.

The first night they had a slim house; the second night there was twenty dollars in the boxes, pit and gallery. The next night they were to play at Dayton, but refused to do so to an audience of four. At Carson City they also met with discouragement. They are shortly to try their luck at San Francisco.

**CHANGED HIS COURSE.**—The Colorado Tribune is responsible for the following:

"Rev. N. McLeod has gone east on a lecturing tour and was to have opened the ball at Omaha on Sunday evening last. He is on the Fenian lay now, having given up his Mormon course."