

Resolved. That we tender our thanks to Miss Isa Calder, for her services as organist.

Resolved. That we respectfully petition the Legislature to authorize Superintendent R. L. Campbell to continue the "Territorial Normal Institute" annually, and make financial provision for the same.

Resolved. that we are in favor of an organ to represent the educational interests of the Territory; and that all members of the "Institute," consider themselves agents for this organ, or paper, and that they take an interest in getting subscribers.

Moved, seconded and carried, that the resolutions of the convention be sent to the *Deseret News* and the *Salt Lake Herald* for publication.

Convention then adjourned *sine die*.
H. C. WARDLEIGH, Chairman.
R. S. HORNE, Secretary.

GENERAL DROUTH.—Eastern papers complain of general drouth throughout the country, that the lack of rain is being painfully felt, especially as the weather is so warm, the temperature being very high everywhere. There is drouth here as elsewhere, but that is not strange, for we always have drouth in this Territory in June, July, August and usually most of September and much of October.

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, AUGUST 1.

TWO DAYS' MEETINGS AT THE TABERNACLE.—It should be kept in mind that two days' meetings will be held in the New Tabernacle on Saturday and Sunday, August 6th and 10th.

HITCHING POSTS.—Eight new hitching posts have been placed in front of the Old Constitution Building. If this example of Z. C. M. L. retail grocery department were followed by the proprietors of business places generally runaways would be much more infrequent than they are.

RABID.—A mad dog was killed this afternoon by some men on the corner of Fourth and Franklin streets. The animal made a ferocious attack upon them, and even in his dying agony, showed the power of the terrible disease known as hydrophobia.—*Ogden Junction, July 31.*

MORTUARY.—Sexton's report for July. Males 23, females 15. Of these adults, 11, children 32. Causes of death as reported: teething and bowel complaint 19, shot 5, lung disease 4, marasmus 3, fevers 3, whooping cough 2, stillborn, disease of kidneys 1, erysipelas, 1, sunstroke 1, mercurial poisoning 1, measles 1, gradual decay 1, total internments 43.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—A correspondent writing from Pleasant Grove, July 30th, says:

"Henry Summers, of this place, had one of his legs severely cut and mangled yesterday by a sickle of a Champion Mower."

"It appears that the young man had stopped his team to adjust the knife, when the sickle started, throwing him upon the heel and almost girdled his leg off."

"Dr. R. M. Young dressed the wound, and hopes are entertained that amputation will not be necessary."

EMIGRATION.—Elder William C. Staines, Church Emigration Agent at New York, arrived home from the latter place last evening. He called upon us this morning and we were pleased to see him in such excellent health and spirits.

We learn from him definitely that the Nevada company of emigrants, in charge of Elder Elijah A. Box, will reach this City to-night.

Another company is expected to reach New York about the middle of September, as it will probably leave England either on the 3d or the 10th of that month. Elder Staines will leave this City, for New York again, about the end of the present month, in order to meet this company at that point.

The last company of the season will probably reach this side of the Atlantic about the middle of October.

The arrival at New York and the passage overland of the Wisconsin company, of 1,000 people, caused quite a stir. Many who were beginning to suppose that "Mormonism" was dying out were much surprised at this tangible evidence of its vitality.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY, AUGUST 2.

SALE OF THE THEATRE.—We understand that the Theatre in this city has been sold to a company consisting of the following persons—H. B. Clawson, Jos. A. Young, Thos. Williams, Le Grand Young, John T. Caine and John W. Young.

RICE-CORN.—A man named Carter, has brought with him, from San Francisco, a quantity of a peculiar kind of corn, grown in Canada. It is very prolific, growing from fifteen to twenty ears on a stalk, and is the best for popping that is produced, being exceedingly light and sweet. He purposes disposing of it here.

ANOTHER ACQUISITION.—The enterprising manager of the Deseret Museum has succeeded in securing the skin of a sea-lion, from San Francisco. We believe the design is to have it stuffed for the inspection of visitors. We know of no place in the Territory where parties visiting this city can spend a few hours to greater advantage than in the Deseret Museum.

THE ELECTION.—The citizens, one and all, should not forget that the election come off on Monday. The polls will be open for voting at six o'clock in the morning, and will continue so throughout the day. Every legal voter should ballot for the candidates of his choice. The people's ticket will be found at the head of the first column on our second page. It should be kept in mind that each citizen can vote only in the particular precinct in which he or she resides.

ACCIDENT.—We learn from the Ogden Junction of yesterday that Alderman W. Thomson, Marshal W. N. Fife and Mr. J. Tompleton, the latter a lawyer, from

Paisley, Scotland, met with a serious accident on Thursday, while driving up Ogden Canyon. The axle-tree of their vehicle broke and they were thrown down an embankment, on some rough rocks, etc., and all three were severely cut, bruised and shaken.

THE TWENTY-FOURTH.—At Salina, Sevier Co., the 24th was observed by firing of guns, unfurling of national flag, made and donated by the Relief Society, procession to the meeting house, decorated for the occasion, vocal and instrumental music, oration by Daniel Brown, orator of the day, toasts, speeches, dancing by juveniles in the afternoon, and by adults in the evening. Everything harmonious, no accident. Isaac Cook, David D. Russell and Frands P. Petersen, Committee of Arrangements. J. F. Martin, Marshal of the Day.

ST. GEORGE.—Last night a man, named Fred. Johnson, was arrested in the act of stealing flour from the tithing office. A large bunch of skeleton keys and some burglar tools were found in his pockets. He was tried this morning, found guilty, paid his fine, and started for Arizona.

The thermometer has ranged, during the afternoon of each day for about two weeks, from 108 to 114 in the shade. Water for irrigating purposes is scarce.

LOST.—There was lost in Haight's grove yesterday, by a party with the 15th Ward Excursion, \$6.75, or thereabouts, and four railway tickets, wrapped in a small piece of paper. The money was wet and belonged to one who rendered good service in saving those who fell out of one of the boats that capsized. The finder will please leave it at this office.

CITY HALL.—Until the city water works are completed and in operation the rooms in the City Hall will be supplied by means of a hoghead placed in the upper part of the building, which is to be replenished every morning by a little muscular exertion on the part of jail-birds, in pumping it up.

The "fixings" for lighting up the clock are nearly completed. A couple of jets have been placed behind each dial. Mr. Silver has been compelled to place the jets so near the dial plate that the main body of the lights will, to some extent, show through. This was unavoidable, for had they been further back they would have been behind a portion of the works, which would have cast the shadow of the latter upon the dials. The figures on the dial plates are to be repainted.

FROM "DIXIE."—Mr. William Lany, of Harrisburg, Washington Co., called yesterday. He arrived in the city on Wednesday evening and reports the affairs of the settlement in which he resides as being prosperous. There is somewhat of a scarcity of water, which he thinks might have been measurably avoided if the supply had been better economized. Apples have been ripe in Harrisburg for two months and peaches are also ripening nicely. Apples have all ripened and vanished. The crop of grapes is scarcely so plentiful as usual, but the fruit is very large, and of excellent quality.

Brother Lany has brought with him a large quantity of Louisiana swamp cane, a considerable quantity of which is being grown at Harrisburg, which he purposes disposing of for fishing poles, the cane being very long and "limber."

ANOTHER COMPANY.—The Nevada company of emigrants numbering about 275 souls, arrived in this City at a quarter past ten o'clock last night. The company was in charge of Elder Elijah A. Box, of Brigham City. We learn from him that with the exception of some adverse winds the voyage across the Atlantic was a good one. Three deaths occurred on the sea, all of them of Swiss children, and three other children, one Swiss and two English, died on the journey overland. The company left Liverpool July 10th.

Elder Box left Utah for Europe May 2nd, 1871, and soon after his arrival in England he commenced to labor as traveling elder in the Birmingham conference; afterwards he was appointed to preside over the Bristol conference; and during the last year of his mission he filled the position of President of the Manchester conference.

The children who died on the overland journey were buried at Logansport, Illinois.

Elder Box speaks highly of the way in which the railroad officials treated the company.

PIOCHE, 2.—A fatal shooting affray occurred here last evening about half-past nine, between two well known sports of Pioche, Morgan Courtney, and a man named McKinney. It appears that a woman of ill-fame, who has lately figured somewhat extensively in the attempt at the suicide business, was the cause. It is reported that Courtney went to McKinney's room yesterday and abused him, and the two meeting on the street last evening, McKinney drew his pistol, when Courtney turned and ran, McKinney following and rapidly discharging his pistol, firing five shots, all of which took effect in Courtney's back, four passing through the body and coming out at the breast.

Owing to the great excitement it is impossible to get further particulars till evening, as physicians have Courtney in close charge. He is not expected to live through the day. McKinney was arrested after the last shot had been fired. He used an English self-cocker, and continued snapping it at Courtney after all the chambers were empty and his victim was writhing in agony on the sidewalk.

LAKE SIDE EXCURSION.—The Fifteenth Ward excursion to Lake Side was participated in by seven hundred and thirty persons. The only occurrence in the shape of an accident was the upsetting of two small boats filled with excursionists, while the latter were being conveyed from the steamer to the landing after the ride on the Lake. The way the thing happened was that after one of the boats alongside the steamer received a load of twenty-two persons, its ordinary capacity being sixteen, the platform by the side of the steamer tipped, causing brother Samuel L. Evans and one or two others to fall into the water. Brother Samuel, as was both natural and excusable, clutched the edge of the boat, which had the effect of capsizing the latter and spilling the unfortunate twenty-two. The Lake

was about six feet deep there, but all were got safely out after considerable "dashing and splashing."

Just about this time the passengers on the other boat must have become a little excited at witnessing the occurrence and probably made sudden movements, which caused their craft also to be capsized, throwing the living freight into about three feet of water, near the landing. Those who got the ducking passed the matter off as pleasantly as possible. Seeing they got so thoroughly salted it is probable they will keep through the hot weather.

The steamer made but one trip, of eight miles, as she was aground in the morning and was not got off till about noon.

The usual games and pastimes were engaged in at the grove, and with other slight exceptions, the day passed off in a generally pleasant and agreeable manner.

TERRITORIAL NORMAL INSTITUTE.—The Normal Institute was visited on Thursday afternoon by Presidents B. Young, George A. Smith and D. H. Wells, Elder A. M. Musser, and Superintendent R. L. Campbell.

They remained during the grammar lesson, conducted by Dr. Park, reading, conducted by Prof. Dusenberry, and U. S. History, by Prof. Maeser.

Before leaving President Young made some remarks in substance as follows, as reported by Mr. W. S. Lewis:

He was pleased to see that there were a few persons who wished to promote a work which was so good, interesting, laudable, useful, and necessary as was carried on in that school. The first steps they were taking in the sciences were very interesting. He congratulated each of them on their position, hoping they would continue their studies until they became capable of teaching them. It was well that they should make themselves acquainted with the grammar of their own language. He had listened to the reading and the criticisms and explanations with great interest. He did not profess to be a grammarian, but he had noticed several points in the lesson. An individual might be a good grammarian, but not so good in putting words and sentences together in a manner to be plain, smooth and clear to young minds. In reading care should be taken not to let the voice fall on the short pauses before the sense was complete. He was pleased to hear them read so well. He must dwell on one item in particular—never to allow themselves or their pupils, in their schools, to indulge in levity. A pupil in reading might be timid or forgetful, and might easily slip or misplace a word. The real lady or gentleman never showed levity at the mistakes of others. He wished to impress this upon them—a well-bred lady or gentleman would never make light of the weakness of others. A person's awkwardness might sometimes provoke a smile, but such things should not be encouraged. They should learn to be gentlemen, learn to be ladies. Good breeding in a community was priceless. This community enjoyed more advantages than were enjoyed by the most of mankind to acquire the languages, arts, sciences, and to understand the intercourse and manners of all nations. We should always converse on topics that tended to goodness and usefulness; and when we had gone through with our learning in this world, we should find that we were but just entering the great school of knowledge. There had been talk of starting another school to suit those young men who were wishing to go to school in the States, but whose parents were not favorable to them going. We could have any kind of school here that we wished to have, and if we needed more teachers than we had here, we can obtain them from other parts, we could be taught here at home in all the arts and sciences of the world. We were well prepared for it, having more than any other community. He invoked the blessings of God upon them and the schools they taught. If they would be industrious they would advance as fast as their best scholars, and keep ahead of them, and be able to continue teaching them. He said again, God bless them.

Dr. Park, on behalf of the Institute, thanked the party for the honor of their visit, and the latter then withdrew.

The term closes this week. We understand that certificates of attendance will be issued to the members, and their names be enrolled on the Territorial Register.

MORE ABOUT THAT BIG SERPENT.—A few days ago our readers will remember we published an account of an enormous serpent, which Mr. Walker reported that he had seen in Coon's Canyon, in the West Mountains. This morning we received some additional information regarding the monster, which may serve as a kind of confirmation of Mr. Walker's statement. A day or two ago "Little Soldier," the well known chief of the Weber Utes, was in this city, and some person had mentioned the big snake story to him, which drew from him a statement, to the following effect, made to Indian Interpreter, D. B. Huntington, Esq., of this city: "A good many years ago, before the 'Mormons' came to Utah, two members of his tribe, then young men, were hunting in the locality now called Coon's Canyon, and they were startled and terribly frightened at the appearance of a serpent, twenty-five or thirty feet long, and very thick. Being armed only with bows and arrows they dared not attack the reptile, but hid themselves and watched the creature's movements as long as they could see it. It was accompanied by two smaller ones, each about two feet long, which they imagined might be its young ones. They described the trail made by the larger one, as though a large tree had been drawn along, the bushes and every bit of herbage being completely flattened and broken down in its progress. One of the two Indians who saw these serpents is now dead, the other is a gray-haired old man; but from that day to this, Little Soldier says, no Indian has ever been in that part of the West Mountains, and nothing can induce them to go there. Indian Interpreter Huntington is well acquainted with the surviving Indian referred to above. He says he is one of the best of his race, and a man whose word is thoroughly trustworthy, and he, Mr. Huntington, is now a firm believer in the existence of the anacondas of the West Mountains."

This is the third statement published in the News, of parties, each unknown to the other, who say they have seen these monstrous reptiles in the Utah mountains. They are certainly entitled to some credence, though their statements may be exaggerated through fear; and in hope of finally solving this question it might not be amiss for the Nimrods and other adventurous characters in this locality to organize

a party and go on a hunting expedition for a few days, and try to find and capture one of these reptiles. Good sport of some kind would be almost certain, for if the snake was not found, other game might be that would make it worth the trouble. The season of the year is propitious for such an expedition, for it is well known that reptiles of the serpent class hibernate during winter, while in the hottest weather of the summer they leave their lairs to enjoy the sunshine; and the trail of a reptile as large as these are said to be could be easily discovered and followed, the crushed and flattened bushes and herbage would be all the guide necessary.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY, AUGUST 4.

TABERNACLE MEETING.—Yesterday the congregation was addressed by Elders David O. Calder and Orson Pratt.

RETURNED.—Presidents B. Young, and Geo. A. Smith returned from Provo today.

AROUND AGAIN.—Mr. G. M. Ottinger, who had his left ankle severely sprained, by accident, when with the 20th Ward excursion to Lake Side, is able to be around again.

RECEIVED.—Woman's Exponent for August 1. It contains "Salutation to the Ladies of Utah," by Miss E. R. Snow, on her return from her visit to the Old World, besides a large amount of other interesting matter.

A HEAVY SHOWER.—A very heavy shower of rain fell here this afternoon, and there were several loud peals of thunder, with accompanying lightning flashes.

THE "PROVO TIMES."—The first and second numbers of the Provo Times have come to hand. The publishers and proprietors present to the public a well got up, readable and spicy newspaper. The people of Utah County now have a local daily sheet to advocate the interests of that portion of the community.

THE ELECTION.—So far as we have been able to learn the voting in the various precincts of this city has proceeded quietly and steadily. We have not heard of the least symptom of disturbance or rowdiness of any kind, the citizens merely depositing their votes and then going quietly about their business. There was no crowd even at the City Hall, and no opposition to the people's ticket.

EMIGRANTS' BAGGAGE.—Some person or persons who arrived with the last company of emigrants took, by mistake, a box and sack, marked C. Sanberz and left behind a similar box and sack marked C. Lindgren. The matter can be adjusted on application to A. Christenson, Brigham City, who also has in his care a wooden box marked F. C. Madsen, believed to belong to a deaf and dumb man.

TWO DAYS' MEETINGS.—The two days' meeting held at West Jordan Ward on Saturday and yesterday were well attended on both days, there being from 600 to 800 people present at the last two meetings. The speakers were, in the order in which they addressed the congregations, President Joseph Young, Elders Milo Andrus, L. D. Young, W. G. Young, John Van Cott, K. F. Neslen, Milo Andrus, W. G. Young, and Bishop A. Gardner, and Elder L. D. Young.

We understand that the missionaries of his county have been invited to hold meeting at Brigham City and that some of them will be appointed to go, Aug. 17, being the time decided upon.

It is intended, during the busiest time of harvest to suspend the home missionary labors in the country for a few weeks.

THE GOSPEL IN PRUSSIA.—We had a call on Saturday for Elder Henry J. Smith of this City, just returned from a mission to Berlin, Prussia. He left this City in March, 1872, and stayed a short time in Chicago and New York, and then proceeded from the latter place to Berlin, where his parents reside. He stayed in that city eleven months, during which time he preached the gospel to many people and sustained himself by the labors of his hands. He baptized nine persons, thus opening the door in Prussia.

Elder Smith returned with the Nevada company of emigrants on Friday evening. He says that infidelity is almost universal among the citizens of Berlin.

NEARLY POISONED.—A young woman, named Jones, who has been living, as servant girl, with Mr. and Mrs. Levi, 17th Ward, came near being poisoned on Saturday night. She had been afflicted for some time with neuralgia and went to a druggist's on East Temple street in the afternoon and purchased some laudanum. Mrs. Levi was aware she had purchased the drug, but understood she only intended applying it to her face externally, to ease the neuralgic pain. Instead of doing so, however, she took about half an ounce internally. When the discovery was made that she had taken poison, medical assistance was immediately called in and proper remedies were administered. We understand the young woman is recovering from the effects of the drug.

CHEESE MAKING AND MUSIC.—William Crosby writes from Kanab, July 20th—

"Myself and two other families are rusticated at the 'Cave Lakes,' seven miles north-west from Kanab. We are 'dairying' on a small scale, milking about sixty cows, and are making now thirty pounds of excellent cheese, warranted to keep in any climate."

"The season has been very dry and hot, but we manage to keep cool, as we have a most romantic camp, sheltered from the heat by the rich foliage of trees, while the cool sparkling water gushes forth from under the cliff, supplying life to drooping nature."

"Last Friday myself and friends were agreeably taken by surprise by the arrival, at our retreat, of the Kanab Glee Club, with some of their friends, in six wagons. We had a day of mirth and rejoicing. The Glee Club, under the able leadership of Elder Edwin Ford, late of Washington, is making rapid progress, and bids fair to rival the musical talent of older cities than ours. Their songs, glee and duets were echoed from cliff to cliff with soul-stirring effect."

SALT LAKE CITY, August 4th, 1873.

Editor Deseret News:

A certain writer on hygiene has said: "The clothes we wear are intended, or should be intended, to secure three objects:

Warmth in winter; coolness in summer; and health at all times."

I have noticed for years past, in Salt Lake City and parts adjacent, where I have travelled, that a large number of the community are in the habit of wearing black clothing in summer; and that a majority of "both old and young and grave and gay" make a practice of wearing black hats.

It is a well known fact, demonstrated by experience of every one who has given the matter the least attention that hats and clothing of a black color have the power of attracting the sun's rays much more than any other color. If any one is inclined to doubt this statement let him try the experiment, some sunny day next winter, of laying two pieces of cloth on the snow, side-by-side, one black and the other white, and observe which sinks into the snow the fastest. At this point, some selfish churl may be ready to explain, that the writer is a dealer in hats and clothing, and has a large stock of light-colored goods on hand, and consequently "has an ax to grind," but this is not the case.

The observance of the above hint may be the means of avoiding many a headache, fever, and sunstroke.

IMPANOGOS MANUFACTURING COMPANY.—The following report of a meeting of the stockholders of this company, held on Saturday and at which President B. Young was present and presided, is from the Provo Times of that day:

"On motion of L. E. Harrington, Edson Whipple and Isaac Higbee were appointed a committee to present names to be put in nomination for Directors of said Company."

"During the absence of the committee Supt. A. O. Smoot made a report of the workings of the factory since the machinery was put in motion, and referred to the prospects ahead."

"The committee on nomination returned and presented their report, which was accepted."

"The meeting then proceeded to the election by ballot of seven Directors, which resulted in the following persons being declared elected: Brigham Young, A. O. Smoot, William Brimhurst, Orsawell Simons, Myron Tanner, Andrew H. Scott, and Joseph S. Tanner."

"L. S. Woods, James Dunn, and David John, judges of election, and L. John Nuttall, clerk."

"Notice was given by the Secretary that the Board of Directors would meet at half past 4 o'clock, to qualify and proceed to the election of the officers of the Company."

"On motion the meeting adjourned *sine die*."

"At the meeting of the Board of Directors, after being duly qualified as such officers, the following named persons were duly elected: Brigham Young, President; A. O. Smoot, Vice-President; Henry A. Dixon, Secretary; L. John Nuttall, Treasurer; Joseph W. Bisselle, General Superintendent."

[Per Deseret Telegraph.]

The McKinney-Courtney Tragedy

PIOCHE, 2, 7 p.m.—Courtney died to-day at 12 o'clock. He bled much internally, being wounded in five places. One ball entered below the right shoulder and came out at the right side of the neck, and another struck the body on the left side of the back bone and came out about two inches to the right of the heart. The other balls entered the back below the shoulder, and two are supposed to have lodged below the right breast. It was reported last p. m. that McKinney was glad to get the security of the jail, as fears were entertained of his getting hurt before reaching there, and also of his being lynched. It is said McKinney was partially secured in a boot black stand, opposite Clancy's saloon as Courtney passed down from the Mint saloon, when McKinney fired, hitting him in the back. Another ball struck him instantaneously and a third as he sought shelter in Pres. Wand's saloon, a fourth as he retreated out into Meadow Valley saloon, and a fifth shot hit him when he was partially in there; a sixth shot missed him, entering a clothes cleaner's shop, next door to Kasten's saloon; passing through two coats and striking a post, just missing the proprietor of the place. The rapidity, by self-cocking pistol, of the six shots showed the determination of McKinney to murder. Courtney who had only returned from San Francisco a few days ago. He was foreman of the Kentucky mining company, and had commenced working a shaft with a good force.

There is rumors that the Hermes' claim has been purchased by Raymond & Ely, in San Francisco.

THE FUNERAL.

To-day at 3 p. m., the people of Pioche witnessed the largest funeral but one that ever took place here, Courtney being buried at that hour. The procession was nearly an hour passing a given point. Both fire companies appeared in uniform, and the funeral was attended by many ladies in carriages, and numerous mourners on foot, the band leading. There is a general feeling of regret here that Courtney was unable to draw and kill McKinney.

Mining Matters.

NORTH STAR, Beaver County, Aug. 2.—The prospects in this camp are good. The principal work is being done by the North Star Silver Mining Company, under the superintendence of D. C. Butterfield, Esq., who have lately been very fortunate in their developments. We saw, yesterday, some very rich ore, taken from the bottom of the Hickory shaft, at a depth of 170 feet. Two of the directors of the company, from London, Canada, Dr. A. T. Machattie and T. S. Wills, Esqs., have been here for some days and have already let contracts for the erection of ten stamp mills, with power and space for twenty stamps, to Messrs. Mahan and Morten, of Salt Lake. The machinery is on its way to the mine and we expect, from the energy and push characteristic of the gentlemen representing the company, to hear the whistle of the mill early in October. At Shavanti Springs, in this district, two smelters have been erected and will be in active operation in a few days, with a good mill and two smelters. The great mineral wealth of the district will no doubt be developed, and we prophecy a future for Star second to none in the Territory.