

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY

IN TOWN.—Elder Wm. C. Staines, who has been in the East for the past few months, reached his home in this city last night. He has come on a visit for a day or two, and will return to-morrow or Monday to attend to the closing installment of the season's emigration. He has had a good time during his absence, considering the excessively hot weather; and, so far, everything has prospered in the forwarding of the emigration.

CALLED.—We received a call to day from Nathan Blakely, Esq., of Beatrice, Nebraska, who is the bearer of a letter of introduction to some of our oldest and most influential citizens. Mr. Blakely is Receiver of the Land Office at Beatrice, and has taken a trip to the Rocky Mountains, for the benefit of his health. He expresses great pleasure and surprise at finding such a beautiful city as Salt Lake, and regrets that the days pass so quickly away, that he can not enjoy more of it.

RICH COUNTY.—Bishop Budge, of Paris, Rich Co., favored us with a call to-day, and a report of his district of country. The people feel first-rate, and more encouraged than ever under the blessings of good crops. They have encountered adversity in this respect for several years, but this season their labors are reaping an abundant reward. The hoppers paid them a flying visit, but did very little damage. Quite a crop of corn is in a promising condition, and the same is true of sugar cane.

As soon as harvesting is over, the people of Bear Lake calculate to go to in earnest and construct their portion of the Logan Canyon road, connecting Rich and Cache counties.

A GOOD CHANCE TO PROCURE TEAMS AND CASH.—All holding U. P. R. R. paper, who may desire to sell the same for mules and harness, or two-thirds in mules and harness, and the remainder in cash, will have a splendid chance to do so during the coming week. Hon. W. H. Hooper is desirous of purchasing ten thousand dollars' worth on these terms. Parties wishing to sell are referred to the Captain's advertisement in another part of this paper.

HEBRON.—Elder George H. Crosby, writing from Hebron, a settlement in Southern Utah, says the health of the people is good, and the crops are prosperous, notwithstanding the drouth which has prevailed so long in that region.

KIRTLAND, OHIO.—From a letter written on the 10th inst., in Kirtland, Ohio, by Elder Edward Stevenson, of this city, we condense the following interesting items:

"I am happy to inform you of my safe arrival at this place. On Sunday last I was invited to preach in the first temple, built by our people. The building is in a fair state of preservation, having been repaired, new roof and re-painted, and the windows replaced. The walls, upon which were inscribed the names of many travelers who passed this way to see the Kirtland Temple, have been whitewashed, so that the building has quite a respectable appearance. The plastering on the outside, penciled in squares to imitate stone, of which the walls are built, stands just as it did thirty-six years ago, and scarcely any of it married. Many travelers who pass within three miles of this place, on the Lake Shore and Michigan R. R., step off at Willoughby and visit the Temple to satisfy curiosity; some who visit the Salt Lake Temple and Tabernacle call and visit this on their way east.

The entrance to the Temple is effected through two double doors from a large stone platform, ascended by stone steps from the entrance and two stairways. The lower room is entered through two doorways. This room is the only one fitted up for meetings. The 2nd story is similar to the first, and the upper rooms, five in number, used to be occupied for schools, &c. I had much larger congregations, both forenoon and afternoon, than could be expected on such short notice, and the best of attention.

Martin Harris, who still lives here, is tolerably well, and has a great desire to see Utah, and his children that live there; and although the old gentleman is in the 88th year of his age, he still bears a faithful testimony to the authenticity of the Book of Mormon, being one of the three original witnesses. He says he saw the plates, handled them and saw the angel that visited Joseph Smith, more than 40 years ago. I have made arrangements to emigrate him to Utah, according to his desire, and will start in about two weeks.

THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION ONCE A SEA.—The idea that the Rocky Mountain Region was once a sea is pretty well established by geological evidence, plain to those acquainted with that beautiful science. On high points of many of the mountains of Utah there are deposits of what were evidently once sea shells; and the monsters of Bear Lake, whose existence is now authenticated beyond a doubt, are no doubt the descendants of denizens of the mightier ocean that once submerged these regions.

A recent number of the White Pine News contains a further confirmation of the supposition that the dry land of the Rocky Mountains was once the bottom of a sea. It says:

"About 100 miles to the southeast of Hamilton is a high plateau of land containing an extensive deposit of marine shells and the fossil remains of a large variety of extinct species of fish. But the curiosity which most challenges the interest and investigation of antiquaries is the petrified form of what was evidently once an immense sea monster. It lies on light plateau in a position giving rise to a theory that its locale was once a great shoal, and that the antediluvian leviathan floundered and perished on its surface as the water receded. The petrification is perfect, and is estimated to weigh about ten tons. It presents a dual appearance—the head and body that of a humpback whale, and the extremities extend into feelers and antennae like the polypus or devil-fish, with the exception that they were evidently during the life lined with a hard and bony substance. The eyes are set in each side of the head, which is flat and oblong, and are twenty-four inches apart. The mouth is armed with triple rows of teeth, sharp in front, but underneath and well into the jaw are turned into grinders, capped by a solid osseous formation, running back from the widest portion of the head. In this respect it resembles the celebrated marsh cow of Central America, amphibious in *habitat*—grannivorous on land and carnivorous in water. The length of this singular relic of an unknown age has not yet been determined; but, as the body blends into the tail, it tapers down to so small a size that, making due allowance, its entire weight would not be far from that stated. This inland country abounds in curious fossils of a marine character. We have seen specimens of the crustacea, found in our immediate vicinity, which puzzled scientists and antiquaries."

A NEW FASHIONED BATTERY.—The Reese River *Reveille* of last Monday, is responsible for the following:

"On Wednesday afternoon about the time of the shower Perley Rowell, was boiling some water. After it had become hot he attempted to take it from the stove, but soon found that it was not to be done, as he received quite a shock in the attempt. On examination the stove was found to be charged with electricity. Thinking to get even, he called in Clay Simms, and requested him to lift the kettle from the stove, which request Clay nearly complied with, but left it there—he also receiving a shock. Finally Plumbhof came along, and Perley thought he would get him to let the water out of the kettle. Plumbhof made the attempt, when he received a shock which raised him about eight feet, and landing on the floor in anything but a graceful position, he exclaimed: 'Perley, where's your battery?'"

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY.

IN TOWN.—William Martin, Esq., of Omaha, General Freight Agent of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, is in town. He has been to California on business connected with the road, and is now en route eastward. Personal business relations with Mr. Martin, as also with Chief Superintendent Hammond and his assistants, has convinced us that the efficiency evinced in the management and control of this great line of railroad is due to the indefatigable diligence and integrity of such officers.

EXPECTED.—Mr. V. H. Vaughan the new Secretary of Utah Territory, is expected to reach this city this evening.

EN ROUTE FOR CHINA.—Hon. W. H. Seward, ex-Secretary of State, is expected at the terminus, at Ogden to-night, en route for San Francisco and China. He left Omaha on Wednesday afternoon.

AN OLD THEATRICAL FRIEND.—Mr. George B. Waldron, so well and favorably known to the theatre-goers of this city, arrived here this morning, en route for Denver, for which place he leaves to-morrow.

"SNUBBED."—Under this heading a recent number of the New York Star says:

"The Rev. Dr. Newman, of Washington, who expected to make a little cheap notoriety by attacking the lion in his den, the BRIGHAM in his lair, arrived in Salt Lake City and notified YOUNG that he was ready to open the discussion on the divine authority of polygamy. The Saint thereupon responded that he never invited or consented to such discussion. The latter shows more gumption than his orthodox opponent. Controversy is the devil's weapon. It makes more skeptics than converts. The expectation that such a controversy would overturn the peculiar tenet of the Mormon religion was as chimerical as would be an attempt to 'dam up the Nile with bull-rushes,' or to bolt a door with a boiled carrot."

WAR NEWS.—The war news to-day is more than ordinarily interesting and exciting, and if reliable, the fortune of war has really begun to turn in favor of the French, and they have gained, at least one advantage, in which the Prussians lost sixteen thousand men, a large number of guns, &c. The official confirmation of this news will be eagerly looked for.

PANACCA.—A letter dated St. George, Aug 11th, received yesterday by Bro. James G. Bleak, now in this city, says: "Bro. George Gould arrived here the evening after you left, from Panacca. He left there the evening previous and reports that, that afternoon the Deputy Sheriff, from Pioche, with

three men, went to the co-operative store at Panacca, and demanded from the clerk, a list of the stock of goods, with a view to exact license in behalf of the State of Nevada. They were refused the list by the clerk, and, after drawing and cocking their pistols and pointing them at the clerk and at Bros. Gould, Adams and Lufkin, who were bystanders, they made the brethren leave the store and locked it up, giving the key in charge of one of their party, while the remainder made for home. The brethren were all engaged at the time on their water sect and upon hearing of the affair, collected and armed themselves. They sent the constable to the man who held the key, who gave it up without any remonstrance. The Deputy Sheriff, while at the store, also read a summons from the Justice of the Peace of Pioche, requiring J. W. Morton, as the agent of the co-operative store, to appear at Pioche, on August 11th."

The brethren were advised to stand their ground, and sue a writ of injunction when opportunity offers.

THE BIG HORN EXPEDITION.—The Cheyenne Leader says:

"Another fight between the Sioux and the Crows is reported, as having occurred between the Big and little Horn rivers. This renews our solitude for the brave white men of the expedition, which must ere this, have reached the heart of that country. It is not reason to expect that the Big Horn expedition will escape encountering the Sioux. The supply of provisions with which the expedition was provided, four months, must be about exhausted by this time, so that it will be necessary to come out either to the Sweetwater country or by way of Montana. We may expect therefore to hear from them very soon. We hope all is well with them, but cannot repress doubts."

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY.

SABBATH MEETINGS.—Yesterday morning several returned missionaries addressed the congregation; they were followed by President Young.

In the afternoon Elder Samuel W. Richards was the first speaker. President Young closed with an interesting discourse.

SHOT AND KILLED.—The settlement of Milton, on the Weber, was the scene of a murder last Friday morning, the victim being a young man twenty-one years of age, named Thomas Jefferson Thurston, jr., son of Thomas Jefferson Thurston, Sen., an old and well-known citizen of that settlement and this Territory; the perpetrator of the deed was a man named Olsen. From what we have been able to learn, it appears that Olsen, some months ago, put in circulation a most scandalous report about young Thurston. Last Friday morning the latter went to see Olsen in relation to this matter. Olsen was working in a field and upon Thurston getting within speaking distance he warned him not to approach, threatening that he would shoot him if he did. Thurston, heedless of the warning, or placing no confidence in the threat, continued to advance towards Olsen, when the latter drew his pistol and shot him in the abdomen, a second fire lodging in the hip. The unfortunate young man lingered until one o'clock on Saturday morning, when death terminated the scene.

CALLED.—Messrs. George H. Kelly and Chas. A. Hammond, Delegates from the Sacramento Typographical Union, No. 46, to the National Typographical Union Convention, which met at Cincinnati on the 6th of last June, accompanied by two fellow-typists, Messrs. George H. Crofts and Frank Smith, called in to see us and our establishment this morning. They were astonished to see such an extensive printing house in the heart of the mountains, and were pleased to be shown around the improvements so recently added. Their trip down to the Convention and their stay among the Cincinnatians and their brother Delegates was a long-to-be-remembered, pleasant affair to them. Their treatment by the Printers of No. 3 was such as only typos can give. They say that harmony characterized the proceedings of the Convention, and the business done was of great importance to the Craft throughout the United States. They left for Sacramento by this afternoon's train, after seeing the sights in the "City of the Saints." A pleasant trip, Gents!

KANOSH.—We had a friendly visit to-day from Kanosh. We are pleased to be able to state that he has recovered from the injuries which he some time since received in his right hand, and in consequence of which it was necessary to amputate one of his fingers.

MAJOR POWELL.—This excellent and brave gentleman gave us a call on Saturday evening. The Major's party is also in town ready equipped to resume explorations on the Colorado River, a Congressional appropriation having been made to assist in its accomplishment. The party will remain here for a few days and then start for the Colorado by way of Kanab. It is the intention of Major Powell to secure the company and services of Brother Jacob Hamlin on the present exploration trip. Brother Hamlin's long experience among the Indians of that region will doubtless make him a valuable addition to the party. We heartily wish the Major success in his arduous and hazardous undertaking.

HON. THOMAS FITCH.—We extract the following from an article which touches on the political career of the above named prominent young politician, contained in the *Territorial Enterprise* of the 18th inst: "Should he fail to render a satisfactory account of his stewardship, it will be because he knows less of his Congressional record than we do. He has served the State faithfully, and with an ability reflecting credit, intellectually, upon the people of Nevada. It is therefore due to ourselves, no less than to our eloquent Representative, that he should have a genuine Virginia welcome home."

The same paper contains a statement to the effect that the surveyor's contract, the object of which is to determine the boundary line between Nevada and Utah, to commence at Idaho and run South of the Colorado, has been awarded to I. E. James, Esq., of Virginia City; and that that gentleman is at present organizing a party there to commence the work of surveying immediately. The contractor purposes finishing the contract before the close of the year.

SEDUCTION AND SUICIDE.

The body of a young woman, seventeen years of age, was fished up from the bottom of the River Thames, London, England. On her breast was pinned her name and residence. The sad story is then given of the crime by which this poor creature was victimized, and for which neither the laws of England nor America have any adequate punishment. The jury brought in a verdict that she committed "suicide while in a state of unsound mind." The *London Journal* well asks: "How much longer will seduction continue to go unpunished in this country, except as a civil injury and by a fictitious and costly suit? How much longer is the woman to bear all the consequences flowing from the sin of two souls, and to be goaded to child murder or suicide by the monstrous injustice of our law? If the scoundrel who sent this poor girl to perish in the river, with the label of death upon her as his 'last gift of love,' had picked her pocket, or stolen the meanest article of her apparel, the 'majesty of the law' would have taken means to prevent James Langham from 'leaving the court' to deal with others as he has dealt with the young woman who trusted him too well. He only stole the 'immediate jewel of her soul,' and gave her for it contempt and calumny; whereupon our law has no penalty for the young villain but the corner's rebuke. And thus more 'ballast' of the same ghastly kind has gone, and will go, week by week, to the river bed; and the vice of brutish lust, openly acquitted in the very presence of its victims, is set free to shame our morality and to fill the streets with the lost feet of those who 'once were women.' It may be that a deep sense of the insufficiency of the law to protect that innocence which is more valuable than life, and to defend the helpless from soul-murder, lies at the bottom of the persistent verdicts of acquittal given by juries in this country to the murderers of seducers. That the power of life and death ought to belong, except in cases of self-defense, to society, in its organized capacity, few will deny; yet juries appear to consider that there are wrongs which society cannot redress—a very dangerous assumption—and act under uncertain and sympathetic impulses, rather than the literal requirements of the law."

NOTICE!

I HAVE in my possession, in Parowan City, Iron county, a stray Horse MULE, black, 10 years old, good sized, stands high in front, ears inclined to droop, white hairs at the root of the tail, collar mark on top of the neck, branded P on the left thigh and one or two

small Ses, with another illegible brand on left shoulder. Said Mule was brought from the West Desert.

The owner is requested to prove property, pay charges and take him away.

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