

but be clean in your tastes. I do not frequent any of these grog shops, but the last time I was in one, I found there was heaped the devil, spew and froth, and every vile and unclean thing you can think of; and the cups and tables appeared not to have been cleansed since the flood.

MISSION ON THE BRITISH ISLES

Wants the citizens to be blessed, and we want to teach you the law of God, and good order, and have you do right, and be saved, which may God grant in the name of Jesus Christ: Amen.

With reading your letter of 15th April to Elder F. D. Richards, it brought fresh to my mind many circumstances which transpired about year ago, in our arduous, but agreeable campaign in the southern part of the territory—suppressing Indian hostilities—engineering—surveying, and locating forts, and barracks for the protection of the saints in the more thickly populated settlements.

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magnitude, by the blessing of the Lord, through his directions. Br. Riser appears to have been valiant and persevering in the testimony of Jesus before Judges, and people, until he was forcibly expelled from Germany.

The work of the Lord, is generally in a healthy and vigorous condition in the British Isles and on the Continent. Every day brings additional proof of the increasing power of truth among the people.

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quired in Sydney, and I found that the elders were laboring with all the powers they were in possession of to do a good work in the name of the Lord, but truly they are in the midst of a perverse people whose eye is gold, and who worship the shrine of Mammon.

On the 22nd of March we put to sea, and on the 16th of April touched at the Island of Hawaii, called Ulaoua, one of the Society group, thirty leagues west of Oahu, in south latitude 16 deg. 44 min. and west long. 151 deg. 15 min. I was informed while on this island that Elder Noah Rogers had visited it during his mission to the Society Islands. At this place we were called to bury a sister by the name of Esther Allen, wife of Richard Allen; she was buried on the island in a very respectable manner, and much kindness was shown us from the whites, as well as from the natives on the island. After tarrying three days, having taken on board a fresh supply of water and provisions, we again weighed anchor, on the 9th of May, touched at the Island of Oahu, and stopped there, and on the 12th of June this vessel safely anchored in the harbor at San Pedro, California.

During our passage every possible respect was shown us by the Captain and Officers, we had preaching every Sabbath, and prayers night and morning, and the satisfaction before leaving the vessel of learning that the Captain, and first mate were fully convinced of the truth.

On the 22nd of June the company arrived safe in San Bernardino, towns having been sent out for their conveyance, and in a few days they were all comfortably situated.

On the 27th of July, I again found myself under way on a huckle back route for G. S. L. City, in company with Messrs. Conger and Hope who were in charge of the mail for this place, and after fighting Indians, and suffering much from the heat, and fatigues of the journey, owing to my then feeble state of health, on the 14th of August I again found myself in the circle of a kind family, and in the midst of those who love righteousness; and I now have the satisfaction of being able to state that through the goodness of God my heavenly Father, and dear sisters, I here, in health, have been in good degrees restored, for which blessing I am most grateful.

On the 11th inst., Elder A. Lyman arrived from San Bernardino in good health, he had been baptized in this city since our arrival, and perhaps as many in San Jose, and a number in Santa Clara.

The work of the gospel has commenced in Turkey, through some of the British soldiers who have the Priesthood.

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We know that from the Beckwith route we have cut off over 150 miles, and expect to receive, between this and spring, a full account of Mr. Reese's return trip from where he left us to Carson Valley, so that we shall be apprised of the best route known by white men. After a most extraordinarily successful trip of 34 days we arrived in this city on the 27th of Nov.

THE DESERET NEWS

ALBERT CARRINGTON, EDITOR. GREAT SALT LAKE CITY.

Thursday—December 7, 1854.

The Eastern Mail Arrived on the 1st inst. at 5 p.m. on pack animals, by which excellent method, at a time when there was no snow to hinder wagonage, packages were broken open, directions rubbed off, and papers and periodicals worn through.

It is reported that the company who went east with the mail of November 1st ult., were way-laid by Indians, 23 miles below Laramie, and Jameson the carrier, a man named Wheeler, and one whose name is not reported, were killed, and Mr. Charles A. Kinkead, of the firm of Livingston and Kinkead, was badly wounded, and robbed of \$10,150. The mail was badly scattered, but it said the most of it was picked up, and taken on to Independence.

New Publications. We respectfully call the attention of our readers to the prospectus for "The Mormon" and for the "Luminary" published in this number.

PROSPECTUS OF "THE MORMON." "The Mormon" is the name of a weekly journal which will be published in the City of New York, by John Taylor, one of the Twelve Apostles of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints; formerly editor of the "Times and Seasons," and the "Nauvoo Neighbor," in the City of Nauvoo, subsequently of the "Latter Day Messenger" in the City of Paris, France; and of the "Pioneer" in the City of Hamburg, Germany.

The Editor would state that from his numerous correspondence in Europe, East Indies, Australia, Pacific Islands, California, and other parts of the world, he hopes to make "The Mormon" interesting as a newspaper, not only to the Saints, but also to his patrons in the United States, England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, the Isles of Man and Jersey, as well as in France and Germany.

JOHN TAYLOR. DEAR SIR—You will perceive by the above Prospectus that Mormonism is assuming another phase, and that we are now going to be the representatives of our own opinions, instead of having others to represent them for us.

PROSPECTUS OF THE "ST. LOUIS LUMINARY." The subscriber proposes to commence the publication of a weekly newspaper, with the above title, about the middle of November next, devoted to general intelligence and news of the day, political, scientific, and religious—and particularly whatever relates to the progress and development of the Kingdom of God on the earth, or the history and movements of the Latter Day Saints.

needful instruction to emigrants—particularly those fitting out for Utah—among whom it will be extensively circulated;—and business men in St. Louis, and the frontier towns, will consult their interests by advertising in its columns.

Advertisements Rates.—One square, (eight lines or less) one insertion, 50 cents; each additional insertion, 25 cents. One square, one month, with alteration, \$1.00; three months, \$2.50; six months, \$4.00.

Bro. Philip B. Lewis writes to bro. John L. Smith from Oahu, Aug. 19, that the conference on the islands which closed July 28, was the best he had attended. A spirit of oneness pervaded every breast, and the Spirit of the Lord was poured out upon us mightily in prophecy, and revelation through the gift of tongues, which made us forget for a time all our trials and sorrows, and that the ocean rolled between us and our loved Deseret.

War, and Foreign News. (From the Herald and Times.) 25,000 French, 25,000 English, and 8,000 Turkish, Sep. 14, without opposition, at Old Pultar on the coast of the Crimea, about 15 miles north of Sebastopol.

The French fleet in the Baltic sailed for France, Sep. 19. The number of deaths from cholera in France during the year is reported at 86,026 up to Sep. 23, at which date, and for a short time previous the disease was reported to be slowly dying away.

Current Summary. (From the New York Daily Herald, from Sept. 20 to Oct. 25, Sep. 20, 23, 27, 30, and Oct. 1 and 2 missing. They are probably with the mail matter left on the way.)

Sept. 23, nearly all the population had left Augusta, Ga., and the yellow fever was increasing.

Remarks, and Western Summary. For some cause unknown to us very few of our California exchanges come to hand, the California Weekly Union being the only one that has arrived in anything like the usual degree.

day passes that we do not chronicle the columns of an "institution."

The Isabel struck a snag near St. Louis, Oct. 12, and sunk to the boiler deck. She had a cargo on board.

As fires are constantly occurring in the cities, and large towns, it is seldom we can afford to notice them unless the destruction exceeds \$100,000, otherwise our columns would have need for but little other matter.

The cholera and yellow fever are said to be raging in those sections of the states where they have not yet been introduced.

Uncle Sam's political parties are in a very quarrelsome condition, and are in a fair way to appear to work out their destiny.

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