

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, AUG. 29.

GIVE IT PUBLICITY.—W. Woodruff, President of the Deseret Agricultural and Manufacturing Society, requests the leading citizens, in the various settlements throughout the Territory, who receive packages of pamphlets containing list of premiums, published by the Society, to oblige the Directors by distributing the same to their neighbors and friends, as it is desirable that the utmost publicity should be given to the pamphlet.

LOGAN, Aug. 23rd, 1872.

Editor Deseret News:

Dear Sir: We, the undersigned, having signed a petition against Utah being admitted as a State, and having done so in ignorance of its contents, now assert that we have no belief in the charges therein contained, against the Mormon leaders or people.

HYRUM EDWARDS,
THOMAS JENKINS.

LAND PATENTS.—The following patents have this day been received at the Land office:

Cash Entry No. 796	Samuel B. Curtis.
" " 775	David Peters.
" " 719	John Rees.
" " 104	George Rose.
" " 289	Townsite O. Ogden.
" " 127	Smithfield
" " 238	Plain City.
" " 216	North Ogden.

CHAS. O. PRATT.

Land Office, Salt Lake City, Aug. 28, 1872.

POLICE COURT.—This morning Cora Conway, Kate Flint, Sady Hulbert and Nellie Hutchison were before Justice Clinton on separate charges of keeping houses resorted to for immoral practices, Mr. Hoge for the City, and Messrs. Spratt and Field for the defendants. A large number of spectators were present in Court.

The defense moved for a further continuance of the cases, on the ground that Mr. Reid, who had been retained for their side, was unavoidably absent. The court did not deem the grounds sufficient, as the time for the trial of the cases had been arranged and agreed to by the defense, and the motion was overruled.

Mr. Spratt moved to dismiss the proceedings, on the ground that the crime charged against the defendants came under the provisions of a Territorial statute, and therefore the ordinance must be void, being in conflict with the general statutes of the Territory.

Mr. Hoge read the statute referred to, and also the city ordinance, and showed that they were not identical either in language or substance. He also stated that the matter had been decided in the District Court, by Judge McKean, in a case which had been taken before the latter on *habeas corpus*, he ruling that the city had the right to make the ordinance in question, and to punish criminals brought within the scope of its provisions.

Mr. Spratt's motion was overruled, and the first case, that of Kate Flint, proceeded with.

After the examination of one witness, Mr. Spratt said the defense was willing to admit that the evidence was sufficient to justify the Court in imposing a fine.

Mr. Hoge said it was not for Mr. Spratt, but for the court to decide what was or was not sufficient evidence. He was willing the case should rest, providing the defendant plead guilty. The latter not being willing to plead guilty, further evidence was taken, it being clear and conclusive in proving the charge against the defendant, and after it was given both parties were willing to rest the case, and as the ordinance not only provided for the fining and imprisoning of those found guilty of violating its provisions, but stipulated for the abatement of the premises kept by such parties, Mr. Hoge asked the Court for a writ of abatement in the case.

An elaborate discussion then followed between Messrs. Spratt and Hoge, the former contending that before an establishment could be abated, the owner thereof must be notified of such intended action, and be proceeded against separately from any other charge, and the latter maintaining that, according to the ordinance, a place is a nuisance which was resorted to for immoral practices, and abundant proof had been given that such was the character of the premises kept by the prisoner. The Court had the right to say what the law was in the matter, and to adjudicate accordingly.

The Court said he would hold the case under advisement for the present, and proceed with the others.

The case of Cora Conway was the next in order, the evidence with regard to her guilt was equally clear as that of her predecessor.

It was stated in behalf of Nellie Hutchison that since she was fined, a few days ago, she had closed up her house and sent her furniture to the auction rooms to be sold, and the same plea was entered in the case of Sady Hulbert.

At the conclusion of the examination of witnesses, counsel on both sides agreed to rest the cases.

In summing up the Court said the community demanded, at the hands of the city authorities, the abolishment of such establishments as those kept by the defendants. It had been demonstrated that the

imposing of fines was not a sufficient remedy. The disreputable business in which the defendants were engaged was being carried on with increased boldness. This, he presumed, was the result of the encouragement it had received. Eleven cases, on one occasion, had been before the court at one time, but all the defendants were discharged by Judge Hawley. He was glad to say, however, that Judge McKean had sustained the city in the matter, by deciding that it had the right to make the ordinance, and to proceed under its provisions. As fines alone had failed in decreasing the evil he would impose a fine of \$15 each on Kate Flint and Cora Conway, and order that their establishments, being nuisances, be abated. Nellie Hutchison and Sady Hulbert were discharged.

Two parties of officers then proceeded to Commercial St., one going to the establishment of Kate Flint, number 17, and the other to that of Cora Conway, number 41, and demolished all the furniture, fittings, &c., within those premises, a large crowd gathering on the street in front of the houses while the officers were thus engaged.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, AUG. 30.

ROLLING IN.—The rock for the building of the Temple keeps rolling in. Five more car loads were laid down within the enclosure of the block yesterday.

GEO. FRANCIS TRAIN was expected to address the Cheyennites, on his return from San Francisco, at McDaniel's Theatre, on Wednesday last, Aug. 28.

NEW STAND.—The post office opened business at the new premises at 9 o'clock this morning, the removal from the old premises having been effected yesterday. The public will take notice of the change of location—three doors north of Z. C. M. I. produce department.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—Last Tuesday night, Brother Robert Walker, of Draperville, in the employ of Gilmer & Salisbury, at the Mail Station, Point of the Mountain south, received a kick from a mule in the breast, which resulted in his death a few hours afterwards. Brother Walker bore an excellent character, having been much respected by all acquainted with him. He leaves a wife and six children.

THE Bay District Agricultural Society's Fair opened on the 26th inst., at the Agricultural Park, San Francisco. The entry of thoroughbred horses was fine, as also that of sheep; but the chief attraction of the Fair was in the display of cattle. A small lot of milking short-horned Durham cattle was entered, the proprietor of which, Mr. J. P. Redmond, of Marin, stated that one of the list would milk seven gallons in twenty-four hours.

TELEGRAPH.—Superintendent Musser has run a branch of the Deseret Telegraph line into the Townsend House, where an office was opened to-day. The advantage of this connection over any other that could be made is apparent, from the fact that the Deseret lines run to the mining camps of Utah and of Southern Nevada, and also carry all the Utah business of the U. P., C. P., U. C., U. S. and U. N. railroads. This is the kind of telegraphic communication most generally in demand among hotel patrons in this city.

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION.—A most cowardly attempt was made last night to assassinate officers B. Y. Hampton and Alexander Burt, in the saloon kept by E. B. Zabriskie, East Temple street. The officers had occasion to visit the saloon, and while there a short conversation, of a perfectly friendly character, passed between a person named Watkins and Mr. Hampton, after which the latter and Mr. Burt turned and were walking out of the bar room, Mr. Hampton being a little in advance of Mr. Burt. The latter happened to look behind him, over his shoulder, when he was surprised to see Watkins with a pistol in his hand and an individual known as Dutch John grasping the barrel of the weapon, saying as he did so, "No you don't. I wouldn't do that to a dog," referring, of course, to shooting the officers in the back. Mr. Price, the bar keeper, obtained possession of the pistol and handed it to Mr. Burt. Watkins was at once arrested and placed in the jail. The case was to come up for examination this afternoon. This attempted assassination, being without an apparent shadow of provocation, and being made behind the backs of the intended victims, is one of the most dastardly that has come to our notice for some time. We understand Watkins' friends are considerably ashamed of the affair.

AMERICAN FORK.—Bro. Wm. Paxman, from this lively little burgh, informs us that the cars on the American Fork Railroad are making three trips per day from the town to the terminus of the track, just above the mouth of the canyon, freighting iron, ties, &c.

A concert for the benefit of the blind musician, Brother Rowley, of American Fork, was held on last Monday evening at that place and was largely attended. The entertainment consisted of music by the American Fork brass band, and the Lehi string band, and comic and sentimental songs by a large company of the friends of the beneficeaire. Everything connected

with it passed off in the most agreeable manner, and the affair was a success pecuniarily.

As soon as the Utah Southern reaches their town the people of American Fork and adjacent settlements purpose giving the children of those places a treat in the shape of a ride to this city on the cars, and an evening at the Theatre; the whole affair to be under the auspices of the Sunday School. An afternoon at the Theatre would be better for the children than an evening.

RETURNED.—We had a call yesterday from Brother James Fennemore, who arrived on Wednesday evening, accompanied by Prof. H. C. De Motte, and Captain F. E. Bishop, from the Colorado, the three gentlemen being members of Major Powell's expedition. They left the river Aug. 15. We learn from Brother Fennemore that the expedition will take a trip through Grand Canyon, to the Grand Wash, which will take them about three weeks.

The reason why Brother F. will not accompany the expedition as photographer is because his health will not admit of his taking the trip. Only think of the thermometer at 115 in the shade in the day time, with dry hot winds at night, and cool, piercing breezes in the morning.

Major Powell, being Indian commissioner for the southern tribes, will hold a grand council with the leading chiefs at Kanab about the 1st of October, after which he will proceed to Washington, where he will remain for the winter, while Prof. Thompson and assistants run a base line from the Upper Sevier. After this latter work is done the results of the labors of the expedition will be compiled and published, not the least interesting portion of which will be the 200 fine illustrations, the work of the photographer, Mr. Fennemore, who is well known as a talented artist. Major Powell was highly pleased with his labors in his department. The work, when published, including maps, etc., will be one of the most interesting of the kind.

We have also, since writing the above had a pleasant visit from Prof. De Motte and Captain Bishop.

LOGAN, Aug. 27th, 1872.

Editor Deseret News:

Dear Sir:—I see in the News the name of Robert Murdock, a mason, being attached to a petition against Utah being admitted into the Union as a State. I wish to inform the public that I never knew but one of that name and trade, and that was my father, who died months before that thing of a petition was seen in Logan. I wish, in defense of my dead father, to denounce the trick as a fraud and libel on his character, for up to the last moments he manifested his unswerving faith in and love for that gospel he had preached and defended many years. It is another proof that their cause is bad and the means adopted to further it contemptible. My father, while living, had no sympathy with that clique and would not sign anything against the interests of this people, and the same feeling animates the the bosom of

R. MURDOCK, junr.

LOGAN, CACHE COUNTY,
Utah, August 21st, 1872.

Editor Deseret News:

Dear Sir:—Having read the names of my eldest son and his wife (Thomas and Celia Morrell) signed to a petition against Utah being admitted as a State, I have questioned them as to their signing such a petition. They both declare they never knew anything of said document, nor did they sign their names to it or authorize any one to do so for them. They both wish their names withdrawn from it.

Also the name of a younger son, Joseph Morrell, was attached to the above-named petition. He has just returned from working on the U. N. R. R., and I asked him why his name was signed to that document. He said he went into a store in Logan and some boys were writing, and he was asked to write his name, to see if he could not write better than the others. When he had written it some one said, "That will do." He inquired what the person meant. The answer was that he had signed a petition to get Utah admitted as a State.

By inserting this in the DESERET NEWS you will oblige.

Respectfully yours,

THOMAS MORRELL, Senr.

P.S.—The younger son is very sorry for having signed the document, and wishes his name withdrawn from it.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY, AUG. 31

UNIVERSITY.—The primary and intermediate departments of the University of Deseret will open on Monday.

A LARGE number of mounted Indians, in all the glory of red blankets and beads, were in town to-day.

ANOTHER fine rain early this morning. Streets almost muddy, foliage washed clean, vegetation freshened and reinvigorated, and everybody feeling better, stronger, and more lively.

EXPECTED IT.—It is somewhat to the credit of Kate Flint—the same who had her house abated the other day—that, two days previous to the abatement, she notified Calder Bros. that they had better take away their piano which she had on hire,

as she did not know how soon the officers might "smash up" her establishment.

DRAMATIC ARTISTS, READ THIS!—First-class artists in the dramatic profession, who desire to procure engagements at the Theatre in this city may find it advantageous to communicate, personally or by letter, with David McKenzie, Esq., Corresponding Secretary, Theatre, Salt Lake City.

THE WALKER HOUSE.—Last night an invitation was received by the Mayor and City Council from H. S. Greeley & Co., to an entertainment at the Walker House, at 2 p.m. to-day. The invitation was accepted.

There will be a grand opening of this magnificent hotel establishment on Monday.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY, SEPT. 2

COOL.—Nights are cool in American Fork Canyon. Ice half an inch thick.

A NEW DAILY.—We understand the Ogden Junction, now published semi-weekly, will resolve itself into a daily on or about September 16th. Success to the enterprise!

UNIVERSITY OF DESERET.—The Primary and Intermediate departments of the University opened for tuition to-day. There is room for a few more pupils.

GONE EAST.—W. C. Staines, Esq., Emigration Agent, left for the East this afternoon, to attend to forwarding the last of the present season's emigration. His address is W. C. Staines, Utah Emigration Agent, No. 8 Battery Place, New York. The number of his post office box is 3957.

FRUIT AND FLOWER GROWERS, READ THIS!—All persons having summer fruits and flowers, and desire to enter the same for competition at the forthcoming fair in this city, are desired to leave their specimens at the Historian's Office, to-morrow afternoon, and on the afternoon of Friday next.

DRY.—The Junction complains that Ogden has not been favored with a good dashing, refreshing shower of rain for months. It spattered a little for a few minutes on Friday, and then stopped. The Ogdenites, in the absence of rain, have been overwhelmed with heat, flies and dust.

ATTENTION, FRUIT COMMITTEE!—The Awarding Committee, of Class C, fruit and flowers, will please meet at the Historian's office to-morrow evening at 7 o'clock, and on Friday evening at the same hour. Gardeners and amateur horticulturists are respectfully invited to attend.

LEVI RICHARDS,
Chairman of Committee.

UTAH COUNTY.—Editor Deseret News:—Will you correct the notice which appeared in the List of Officers of Agricultural Societies and Gardeners' Clubs for this county. The President of the Utah Co. Agricultural and Manufacturing Society is Wm. Bringham, Springville; Secretary, D. Graves, Provo; Gardener's Club, which was not reported.

CHAS. TWELVES, President.
CHAS. D. MILLER, Secretary.

[Per Deseret Telegraph.]

ST. GEORGE, Sept. 2nd.—During the past several days heavy rains have fallen around here, causing heavy floods and doing considerable damage to fields, orchards, water ditches, etc. The flume at the Santa Clara battlement was washed away, damage, about \$1,700; also the dams of the Rio Virgen Manufacturing Co., at Washington, damage, about \$500. The water on Saturday evening was over thirty feet deep in the Santa Clara stream, and flooded almost all the lowlands on both sides of the stream.

EXCURSION.—The excursion to Ogden of the people of South Cottonwood, Draper and West Jordan Wards passed off very pleasantly with one exception—an accident which occurred to Bishop Reuben Miller and family. While at Ogden the Bishop hired a conveyance, for himself, Mrs. Miller and a number of their children and grandchildren. The driver took rather a sharp turn near the depot, causing the box of the vehicle to fall over off the running gears upon its side. Some of the ladies inside put their arms out of the windows of the omnibus, causing them to be sidably bruised by receiving the full weight of the box upon them; none, however, were seriously injured, with the exception of Sister Reuben Miller, who had been suffering for some time previous from chronic rheumatism and who felt the effects of being badly shaken by the accident.

NOT TO BE OUT-DONE.—Brother John R. Winder says he is not going to be out-done in the way of turnips, and to prove it showed us a specimen, which on measuring and weighing, we found to be twenty seven inches in circumference, and nine pounds twelve ounces in weight. This turnip was raised on Brother Winder's farm, Mill Creek, and he says by the time the Fillmore man beats it he will probably be ready with another specimen still larger. We should judge that one such turnip as the one described above would be a decent meal for any cow with an ordinary appetite. The weight in proportion to the measurement shows the turnip was sound.