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LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY, APRIL 8.

Beautiful.—The weather is now as beautiful and "springy" as could well be desired.

For Switzerland.—Elders J. U. Stucki and J. J. Walser, both of Bear Lake Valley, left this City this morning for Switzerland, to which country they have been called to go on missions. Elder Stucki goes to succeed Elder Huber as president of the Swiss and Italian mission.

Runaway.—This afternoon a horse with harness on dashed down East Temple Street and thence round the corner eastward along First South Street. Then followed a horseman tearing along, with hair streaming in the breeze, in pursuit. When last seen he was still keeping up the stern chase, which is proverbially a long one.

Petty Stealing.—A good deal of insignificant stealing is being done around in this City just now. Yesterday a fellow actually slid off with a whitewash brush belonging to a painter who was at work at a house in Little's Row. The party who took it is known and should return it to the owner and thus avoid disagreeable consequences.

New Co-operative Store.—The people of South Cottonwood Ward have determined upon opening a branch co-operative store, on the State Road, in connection with the one already running in the more eastern part of the ward. Bishop Joseph Rawlings was in town today, purchasing a stock of goods for the new branch store.

Temporary Suspension.—Carson and Buzzo have suspended the working of all of their furnaces, at West Jordan, for the purpose of making still further improvements at their works, among which are the fitting up of a new forty-horse power steam engine, new blowers, blast pipes, etc. As soon as these matters are completed the furnaces will be in full blast again. These gentlemen are doing a large and profitable business.

Utah Affairs.—The Pioche Record is of the opinion, respecting affairs in Utah, that "the best thing that could be done would be to make a fresh start. With just laws, impartially administered, the community would feel confidence and security to an extent that has not been experienced, and these senseless bickerings would entirely disappear."

Yes, "just laws, impartially administered," is what we contend for all the time. As to "senseless bickerings," we take no stock in them at any price.

Forgery.—Yesterday evening George L. Lloyd, an old jailbird, presented a check, for a sum in the vicinity of a hundred dollars, on the First National Bank of Salt Lake City, to Mr. Pomeroy, at his office, Exchange Buildings, and asked him to cash it for him. The

check purported to be signed by the military paymaster of Camp Douglas. Mr. Pomeroy scrupled somewhat, at first, to accept of it, but, after asking Lloyd some questions, he was afterwards led to suppose the paper to be genuine, and he paid him \$92 for it. On presenting it at the bank on which it purported to have been drawn, Mr. Pomeroy discovered, this morning, that it was a forgery. Up till this afternoon Lloyd had not been arrested.

Pugilistic.—One of a group of young men, standing at the Z. C. M. I. corner yesterday evening, observed a little dog at his feet, and for want of something better to do, kicked it. The act was soon repeated of, for scarcely had the first howl of the injured canine resounded in his ears than a sonorous voice inquired why the kick had been inflicted. The answer not being satisfactory, the owner of voice and dog proceeded to inflict condign punishment. The young fellow, after receiving a pretty hard blow on the mouth, thought discretion the better part of valor, and fled. In speaking of the matter afterwards he said, "Who would have thought there was so much strength in the old man?" That man is not so old as he looks. "Love me, love my dog."

District Court.—District Court opened this morning, J. B. McKean, C. J., presiding.

Ludwig Christiansen, C. C. Goodwin, Daniel F. Thomas, George Smuin, Alexander Henderson, Samuel Dye and Stephen Lavin were admitted to citizenship, by naturalization.

Three cases in which L. N. Colbath was plaintiff and Henry Altman et al were defendants, two in ejectment and one in chancery, were dismissed by consent of counsel.

Sarah Ann Cook vs. B. Young, sen. In this case a motion yesterday to quash the execution was overruled, and an appeal was taken. To-day defendant's counsel asked the Court to say, for the benefit of the executive officer of the Court, that the appeal stays proceedings on the execution. This point was being argued when our reporter left the Court.

Mining Interests.—Yesterday afternoon we were called upon by Prof. R. O. Thompson, mining editor of the St. Louis "Railway Register and Mining Journal." He is here in the interests of that paper, and, while he remains, he will occupy himself in examining the mines, tunnels and furnaces in the Territory, with a view to giving publication to correct statements concerning them. By this means it is probable that capitalists in St. Louis and other parts of Missouri will be led to invest here. Prof. Thompson is making extensive collections of specimens of ore from all the mines in the west to place in the St. Louis Exchange. In order to exhibit the mineral wealth of Utah he wishes not only to obtain specimens of ores, but of bullion, lead, slag, flux, &c., from all the furnaces. The Mining Exchange has now over 15,000 on exhibition, 3,000 of which are from Colorado, and but very few are from Utah. Prof. Thompson is stopping at the Great Western Hotel.

The British Mission.—By the *Millennial Star* we learn that a district meeting was held at Wymondham, Norfolk, Sunday, March 8.

Present on the stand—Prest. L. J. Herrick, Elders Robert W. Heyborne, Chester Call and John H. Burrows.

A Priesthood meeting was held in the morning. The Wymondham Branch was reported by Elder Wheeler, Hingham Branch by Elder Gibbs, and Norwich Branch by Elder Nicholls. Prest. Heyborne and Elder Call also reported the condition of the Branches in other parts of the Conference. The reports of all these brethren were very satisfactory, it being stated that an improvement was visible on the part of the Saints.

Meetings were held in the afternoon and evening, and the congregations were addressed by Pres. Herrick and Elders R. W. Hey-

borne, Chester Call and J. H. Burrows.

This district meeting, which was the first of the kind held in that part of the country for several years past, was well attended by the Saints from the surrounding Branches, and they expressed themselves greatly pleased and satisfied with the occasion.

City Council.—Council met last evening, Mayor Wells presiding.

Petition of L. Pratt and fifteen others, asking the Council to repair a certain portion of North Temple Street, near petitioners' residences, was referred to committee on streets and alleys.

Petition of H. Walters and thirteen others, relating to the opening of certain streets near Agricultural Park, was referred to the same committee.

Petition of R. W. McAllister asking to be permitted to deposit building material on a portion of the street and side walk in front of his residence, was granted.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of Amos Fielding, relating to the digging of a ditch through the south-western portion of the 5th Ward, for draining purposes, recommended that the ditch be dug, and that the Council appropriate the sum of forty dollars for the purpose. Adopted.

Report of committee on streets and alleys, to whom was referred the petition of A. M. Musser and others, asking the Council to improve the side-walk and lay plank crossings across the streets from the DESERET NEWS office to the depot, was favorable to the prayer of the petitioners, and it was decided to make the improvements recommended.

The committee on license, to whom was referred the subject of reducing the license of butchers and dealers in fresh meats, reported an ordinance reducing their license from one hundred to fifty dollars per annum. Adopted.

Report of Alderman Clinton stated that seventy cases had been tried during the month ending March 31; the total amount of cash collected on fines was \$217.15, and the total amount of labor fine was \$462.00.

A communication from H. J. Faust was read. It set forth that, as the City did not appear to be at present able to purchase material for and have constructed the water-works, he proposed to act for the City in obtaining a loan of the necessary amount from parties in the East, providing that, if he should be successful in the loan, at an interest not exceeding twelve per cent. per annum, the Council would pay the expenses of his trip, and if unsuccessful he would bear his own, as he contemplated going East soon.

Referred to committee on water-works.

The regular business having been disposed of, the Mayor recommended the Council to take some measures that would insure correct weights in the coal trade.

The matter was referred to a committee, with instructions to investigate the subject and learn if anything could be done to abate the evil complained of.

Council adjourned till Tuesday evening, next at 7 o'clock.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, APRIL 9.

Rags.—Good clean rags are what the NEWS Office buys. It does not call for mould or fungus, or any kind of dirt, mixed up with the rags. Rags and dirt should be sold separately when wanted, and at the respective price each is worth.

Dead.—"Semper" writes from Ogden, April 8, as follows—

"Israel Weston, the boy who met with the sad accident at the railroad depot yesterday morning, is dead. He died about half-past eleven o'clock last night. Notwithstanding his fearful sufferings, he retained his consciousness, and talked rationally up to his last moments. The funeral will take place this afternoon."

Monroe.—C. E. Bolton writes from Monroe, March 30, as follows—

"We have had much pleasant weather for the past two or three weeks. A large amount of plowing has been done and considerable wheat put in. The whooping cough has been very prevalent here, but in a very mitigated form. The past winter has been a time of enjoyment and quiet; we have had meetings, lectures, etc., all well attended."

That Patent.—Mr. W. J. Silver has received a notification from the patent office at Washington that the patent for his improvements in pumps had been granted. He has likewise secured the provisional protection from the English patent office, which amounts to securing the patent.

Application has also been made for patents on the improvements in France and Belgium.

Fun.—A dog was careering along East Temple Street last night as if beset with madness, followed by the shouts and yells of a party of foolish men, who had tied a tin can to its tail. Although the fun was keenly relished by the jokers, the poor dog didn't seem to partake of the sport. It may be that a few curs might be spared off the streets, without detracting from the comfort of the inhabitants, but cruelty is reprehensible, even when perpetrated upon the most insignificant of living things.

Surgical.—This afternoon the Drs. Benedict, assisted by Drs. Vollum, Fowler, Young, Barker (lady), and Calder, performed the operation of excision on the left half of the upper jaw of Eliza Moses, of Big Cottonwood Ward, and extracted a fibroid tumor of two years' standing. A portion of the bone, extending from the left side of the nose to the floor of the eye, and from the roof of the mouth to the back of the mouth, was extracted without the full loss of masticating ability. The time from the first cut to the completion of the operation was fourteen minutes. The patient is doing well. It is the first operation of the kind ever performed in the Territory.

Prospective Fruit Raising.—We were called upon to-day by Brother Stephen C. Peery, of Springville, who is here as a member of a committee selected by a number of citizens of that place to secure 640 acres of land, which he has, on which to enter extensively into the industry of fruit raising. As soon as the land is secured, a company will be organized and operations with a view to accomplishing the end in view will be at once commenced. It will take several years to mature the plans, as it is intended, as soon as practicable, to enter into the canning business. A branch of industry which would be almost sure to pay under proper management. Indeed, it appears absurd that canned fruit should have to be largely imported to a Territory wherein such splendid fruit is raised in abundance. We wish the enterprise success.

District Court.—Immediately after the court was opened this morning, Attorney General Z. Snow stated that he held the certificate of the Secretary and the chief clerk of both houses of the Territorial Legislature, showing that he had been elected, on the 20th day of February, Attorney General of the Territory, and that he had given the necessary bonds, and he desired the court to order that the matter be entered upon the journal.

Mr. Snow also stated, in behalf of Mr. John D. T. McAllister, that the latter also held a certificate of the same character, showing that he had been elected to the office of Territorial Marshal, and desired the court to make a similar order in regard to the marshalship as he desired for the attorney.

The Court ordered that the papers referred to be filed with the clerk of the court, which was done.

In the case of Thomas vs. the Union Pacific Railroad Company, the demurrer was sustained, that there was no cause for action. Notice of an appeal was given.

In Harry Wright vs. E. F. Fargo & Co., the demurrer was sustained, there being no cause of action as shown by the plaintiff's papers, but leave was granted to amend the complaint.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

Out of the twelve appropriation bills, Congress has only one out of the way, that of fortifications. Other bills awaiting disposition are the army and navy, the legislative, judicial and executive appropriation, the pension, Indian and military academy, the post office, the river and harbor, the sundry civil, the consular and diplomatic, and the deficiency appropriation. The general impression is that with all these bills to be disposed of, as well as some others of equally important matters to the country, Congress will not be able to adjourn before some time early in August.

The department of agriculture has prepared a monthly report including the statement giving all information attainable in regard to transactions of the grangers. The results of the co-operative feature among farmers for the purchase of agricultural implements are quite fully set forth. It appears from the reports received that in this character purchases done for the farmers of the West thus associated have saved between six and eight million dollars.

It is stated that a letter, signed by President Grant and many distinguished persons, has been sent to Wendell Phillips, inviting him to deliver a eulogy on the life of the late Senator Sumner, at an early day, in Washington city. So it seems we are to send Carl Schurz to Boston, to tell the people of Massachusetts about their dead statesman, and we are to bring Wendell Phillips from Boston here on a like errand. Well, a fair exchange is no robbery.—*Washington Star*, April 2.

The Utah contested election case was before the House Committee on Elections to-day. Gen. H. E. Paine made an argument on behalf of Mr. Cannon, the sitting delegate. He will conclude to-morrow.—*Washington Star*, April 2.

PIOCHE NOTES.

From the *Record* of April 3—

Great numbers of our citizens are complaining of hard times, but while emitting a growl, and it is not in human nature not to do so, they all express unbounded confidence in the future of the camp. We shall, perhaps, have to wait a little longer, but all agree that the late strike in the Page & Panaca sets at rest the question of the permanency and value of the great vein which in the Raymond & Ely afforded such immense sums. So all we have to do is to keep a stiff upper lip and do the best until the advent of the prosperous times that ere long await Pioche.

The sudden death of Mr. Peterson, caused by the injuries received in pursuing his business as a miner, should arouse to renewed vigilance those who control mining operations. It is sad, a fearful thing to consider that the slightest carelessness or lack of attention may cause the death of a fellow creature. We believe that as a rule our mines are conducted by humane and thoughtful men; but freedom from accident for any lengthened period begets carelessness, not only on the part of the officers, but in the men themselves. This is to be deprecated and prevented if possible. No precaution should be neglected and imperative rules be laid down that none should be permitted to disobey. The business of underground, in fact, mining at all, is always dangerous. Where powder has to be used, there is always much risk under any circumstances, and it is the bounden duty of all concerned, to keep that risk at its minimum.

ANOTHER MARSHAL INVESTIGATED.—Frauds of a serious character are reported to have been discovered in connection with the office of the United States Marshal for the Southern District of Illinois. A committee of Congress is investigating the matter. Colonel Edward R. Roe, of Bloomington, is the United States Marshal for that district, and his office is at Springfield.—*Kansas City Chronicle*.