

niture for sale; the red flag flies at the door. Life is short but it is very funny.

C. A. S.

## The Fence Question.

BEAVER, U. T.,  
April 8, 1878.

Editors Deseret News:

I was pleased to notice in your Semi-Weekly issue of the 6th inst. a communication from Bro. B. F. Johnson, on the subject of fence and loose stock. Although I do not think it would be wise to do away with the fence law altogether, I favor the doctrine of holding the stock responsible for all damage done by it, fence or no fence, and that is what I understand the present law to say, unless it was changed at the last session of the Legislature.

In localities where there is sufficient timber to fence all of the land that the communities desire to cultivate, and they desire so to fence, I think they should have privilege of saying, "We will fence our farms either in a joint enclosure or separately, as the case may be, and allow our stock, our cows, teams, etc., to graze outside. We will make a lawful fence, but that shall not release ours or our neighbor's stock from their responsibility for damages. We will not look beyond the stock for our pay. But on the other hand, if the owners of stock can prove that we have not kept our faith with them by making a good and lawful fence, as we agreed, let them have redress on the owners of poor fence, but not require the man who has a good fence to inquire how the stock got on to his growing or matured crop. Leave that with the stock owners, and if they have not interest enough in their stock to look it up or pay the damage, let the stock be sold, after due notice, to the highest bidder, refunding to the owner all wrongs received over and above damages and needful expenses."

In localities where the people decide not to fence, let them be protected by the law, and not be eat up either by transient herds or portions of their own stock.

The foregoing I understand to be both the law and equity of the case, but have no quarrel to pick with those who differ from that view.

From a moral standpoint I would say with Brother Johnson, herd all the stock closely, rigidly, and keep all loose and transient stock at least twenty miles from the settlements, herding only the teams and milch cows in the immediate vicinity of the settlements.

I think this would put a stop to a great deal of the cattle stealing now going on in our Territory. I think as white men, we might profit by a lecture delivered in Beaver by the late Indian Chief Black Hawk, a short time previous to his death. After stealing a great deal of stock and killing many people in Sanpete and other places, he concluded a treaty of peace, and used his influence to prevent further hostilities. Among other things he said, in substance, "I have done wrong, I ask to be forgiven. I desire peace. I will not steal or kill any more. I will do all in my power to keep my men from doing so, but I think you are doing one great wrong. As I came down through Fremont Pass on the other side I saw large herds of cattle many miles from settlements, and no one looking after them. This is a great temptation to my young men, and I find it hard to keep them from stealing your stock. You should take better care of it. Keep it nearer your settlements or have men to watch it."

I think the above advice, though coming from a savage, would save the community thousands of dollars annually, and take a great source of temptation from the small portion of our "young men" who have not sufficient stamina to resist temptation. Aye, and some older men who lead the van.

It is, however, a question in my mind, in fact, extremely doubtful, whether the Legislature has the right to prevent stock running at large on the public domain, where it is unoccupied and doing no damage. If it has that right I would say by all means have every hoof herded or kept within an enclosure, still holding sacred the benefits to those who desire it, of the fence law; thus making it easier with the two safeguards to protect the crops.

Whatever law is made I am in favor of having it strictly kept. If it is a good law let the people

have its benefits. If a bad one its enforcement is the safest and surest way of getting it repealed.

DANIEL TYLER.

## Frost, Fence, Fruit, Etc.

SPRING LAKE VILLA,  
April 11, 1878.

Editors Deseret News:

Am just returned from Conference to find our peach and apricot crop "gone up," a \$3,000 prospect of fruit gone in one night to the credit of Jack Frost. But then, we are getting used to it, and must trust to Him that overrules, to see that it is all right.

But there are things that with me will never be right, and one of them is to be compelled by law to make fence to protect my fields from other people's stock. King Pharaoh, through his taskmasters, told Israel "that there was plenty of clay in the pits, and in the scarcity of straw they could glean stubble, and that it only required the muscle and will to make plenty of brick." And so says our friend the "Agriculturist" of St. Johns. "That in the mountains, although farther away, there is yet plenty of timber only requiring team, ax, pick, &c., with a will, to make plenty of fence, to build Pyramids of wealth in stock, which from the first has been a tyrant king in Utah, shutting up our country from the poor and making the rich richer. "The waters have all been taken up," and so often heard from us "old settlers," and I suppose that the Devil, as the oldest settler, once offered to sell to its rightful owner the earth on which we live.

For whom comes "the early and the latter rains?" and "who will own all the rain when it comes in the seasons thereof," to make the whole country like a field. Now, are we not fencing out the blessings of Heaven by our selfishness and close dealing. Will not the blessings of the Lord be unto us according to the abundance of our desires to keep and sustain each other? We must open our hearts and our country, in faith, to the increase of our population, and then the Heavens will send rains that we cannot fence in or fence out, and it will come to help the poor and the meek of the earth, and then the "sage brush lands" will become verdant fields of lucerne and waving grain with choice fruits and the mulberry, and then our sons and daughters will not be compelled to resort to mining camps and elsewhere to obtain means whereby to turn back the great balance of trade now against us as a people. Vast amounts of lucerne, wheat, mulberry and fruit can now be grown upon what was once the bunch grass lands, but is now covered only with sage, affording no feed for stock when turned upon it.

I wish to make no unkind remarks, but I do wish that citizens of Utah, when writing upon subjects of interest to the whole people, would not withhold their cognomen, for we should be known to each other and stand of wisdom justified or admonished.

Gardens, orchards and fields demand my attention. I would suggest to those who have lost the present year's fruit prospect, to cut back their old trees of peach and apricot to make new wood, and thereby greatly improve their future fruit. The peach borer is doing much damage in places, and it would pay to examine near the surface of the ground, all valuable trees, to find and destroy them.

Yours,  
B. F. JOHNSON.

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