

## Local and Other Matters.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY, APRIL 21.

**Got the Spells.**—Everybody is getting the spells now, many of them bad spells, and some of them very bad spells, though not necessarily fatal. In fact there is quite a spell of spells.

**Mixed Trains Discontinued.**—The Utah Central announces that on and after April 22 (to-morrow) the mixed train from Ogden at 5 a. m. and that from Salt Lake City at 5.05 p. m. will be discontinued for the present.

**Information Wanted** of the whereabouts of William Richardson, who emigrated September 2d, 1874, from the Glasgow (Scotland) branch of the Glasgow Conference. Please address Robert Bullock, Cedar City, Iron Co., Utah.

**Not Coal.**—We understand that the supposed vein of coal struck by the men who were constructing the Utah Western Railroad proves, on examination, not to be carboniferous material, but a mixture in which plumbago and a form of arsenic appear.

**Another.**—The store of Mr. Eardley, opposite the residence of Bishop Thomas Jenkins, was burglariously entered by thieves last night, but, with the exception of some small change, nothing of any particular value was stolen.

**Broken Into.**—Some time during last night the store of Mr. Cartwright, on the State Road, 8th Ward, was broken into by thieves, who carried away fifteen pairs of socks, a couple of woollen shirts, some canned fruit, and a box of cigars. The burglars gained ingress by breaking a panel out of the door.

**Still Alive.**—William Geehr, the proprietor of the Antelope restaurant, who stabbed himself in the abdomen yesterday morning, was still living this afternoon, but was rapidly sinking, and was not expected to survive past midnight. There were indications that inflammation had set in.

**Amateur Theatricals.**—To-morrow evening a company of amateur performers will give a theatrical entertainment, the pieces to be played being "Decoyed, or, the Robber's Doom," and "Tinkerfield." The performance will be given at the Nineteenth Ward Literary Institution.

**The Break on the U. P.**—By private telegram, we learn that a passenger train will leave Ogden for the east this evening, and one from the east will arrive to-morrow; but it is not expected that through trains will run yet for ten days, but the company will transfer passengers, mail, baggage and express by teams.

**Burglary.**—Last night the saloon of Mr. Philip Margetts on Kimball Block, was broken into by burglars, who got away with \$13.50 in small change, and a bottle of wine. The thieves obtained an entrance at the rear of the premises. We understand a light was seen in the saloon in the night and three men issued from the alley way near by.

**Hurt His Foot.**—Yesterday L. E. Shiminean, a Frenchman, had his foot seriously hurt on the Utah Western Railroad. He was on a hand car, running behind a train, which was also traveling, when the train stopped and the man put his foot out to ease off the bump of the hand car against the rear car of the train. He underestimated the force, and now has a sore foot.

**An Excellent Improvement.**—The water ditch along the east side of the Temple wall, East Temple street, is being made semi-circular and lined in the bottom with cobles laid in mortar, with cut rock laid along the edges. When completed the length of the block there will be 1840 feet of rock work in it. The work is being done by the Church hands. It is a most excellent improvement, and will greatly enhance the appearance of the locality.

**Patronize Him.**—William Lowe, aged 73 years, who resides in Taylor's Buildings, South Temple St., showed us to-day some samples of woollen and cotton stockings and socks, which he manufactures himself, with a Lamb knitter. He sells them either at wholesale or retail, they are of good quality, and cheap. This aged gentleman takes this method of making an honest living, and those who patronize him will not only get a good article, but will

have the gratification of doing a worthy action.

**A Novel Excursion.**—We learn that Mr. C. R. Savage has projected a free excursion to Lake Point for the aged poor of the city; those unable by their own means to participate in an out of that description. The affair is set to come off on the 14th of May. The officers of the Utah Western Railroad have kindly proffered the use of a train, free of charge, for the occasion, and an effort will be made to engage the steam ship *City of Corinne*, that the excursionists may enjoy the luxury of a sail on the briny waters of the Lake. Messrs. C. R. Savage, Bishop Hunter and George Goddard are the committee to manage the affair.

The services of a band of music have already been secured, free of charge.

As the affair will necessarily be attended with some expense, donations to be used for the object described will be received by any of the three gentlemen of the committee from the liberally inclined.

**Stabbing Affair.**—Last night, or rather about one o'clock this morning, some men were chatting together and playing cards at the Delmonico, near the depot, when an altercation took place between three of them named Lynch, Smith and Bradley. Blows followed words, and finally Bradley drew a knife and stabbed Lynch in the side near the back. Dr. Waugaman was sent for, who attended the wounded man, and found that the knife had penetrated the left lung. Frank Hill, night watchman, arrested Bradley and delivered him to officer Child, who locked him up and then accompanied Hill to the depot, where they arrested Smith, who had assaulted Bradley, as he claimed, in defence of Lynch. All the parties are brakersmen on the railroad, but Lynch having one of his arms disabled, was lying off duty. The parties will be brought before the Alderman to-morrow at 10 a. m.—*Ogden Junction, April 20.*

**City Council.**—The regular meeting was held last night, Mayor Wells presiding.

Mrs. Saunders was granted the privilege of erecting a flower stand over the water seat, in front of her premises, First South Street.

The committee on streets and alleys reported favorably on the petition of Adam Spiers and others, asking that Fourth South Street, between Tenth and Eleventh East Streets, be repaired; report adopted and supervisor instructed accordingly.

The finance committee reported that they had examined the auditor's last quarterly report and found it correct; adopted.

Bill of A. Miner, \$10, for services in Alderman's court; allowed.

Bill of J. H. Beatty, \$20, for services in Alderman's Court; allowed.

Bill for lumber used at the insane asylum, \$215.20; allowed.

An appropriation of \$25 was made to Mr. Sudbury, of the Empire Mill, for attending to the headgate of the 20th Ward water ditch.

Petition of Utah Western Railroad Company for the privilege of erecting a ticket office on the south side of the Utah Central Block, partly on the latter and partly on the sidewalk; referred to committee on streets and alleys.

**Indians in Thistle Valley.**—A letter published this morning in a city contemporary, makes the somewhat startling announcement that application was made, three or four days ago, to General Smith, at Camp Douglas, for troops to protect the settlers of Thistle Valley, in this Territory, against the violence of the Indians. Serious trouble with the aborigines in Utah has been of comparatively rare occurrence, owing to the policy generally pursued by the people of feeding rather than fighting them; and as rumors of Indian troubles always cause considerable uneasiness in the public mind, the sooner their truth or falsity is ascertained and made known the better.

An old, well known and reliable resident of Sanpete, in the vicinity of Thistle Valley, who is a lover of fair play and square dealing, whether for white man or red, called at this office this morning; and being extensively acquainted with both whites and Indians in that vicinity, as well as with the circumstances out of which the alleged difficulty has grown, he gave us the following information, which, we think, need only to be published to at once dispel all anx-

iety in regard to Indian difficulties in the locality in question.

Some years ago Bishops Seeley and Tucker, the former of Mount Pleasant, the latter of Fairview, fenced in and partly cultivated a farm in Thistle Valley for the special benefit of such Indians in that part of the Territory as desired to forsake their nomad life, settle on a farm and learn to cultivate it. Indian Joe and his band availed themselves of the opportunity and settled on the farm, and from that time until the present it has been known among the peoples as the Indian Farm. For some time back "Joe" and his band have not been on the farm, having left it, probably, for a trip or visit among their friends in other localities. After the departure of the Indians two or three other parties took possession of the farm, claiming to hold it under the pre-emption law; but very recently Joe and his band returned and, naturally enough, wished to take possession of their old quarters. One of the parties in possession, recognizing the justice of their claim, at once resigned in their favor, being willing, in common with the bishops, and the people generally, that the Indians should again come to live on the farm. But two other individuals, who had made a pretended pre-emption of land fenced and partially improved by the labor of others, refused to leave, and threatened to kill any Indians who came to the farm with the intention of staying there. On this account the Indians got mad and, as almost any white man would do, gave the jumpers a very plain intimation that they intended to have their rights, if they had to resort to force to obtain them.

This, we are assured, is the only foundation for the present outcry of trouble with the Indians in that locality, and for the application to the General commanding at Camp Douglas for troops. If this statement is true, as we have no reason to disbelieve, and we expect in a few days to be able to present to our readers a verification of it, it is the Indians who have a right to demand protection from the injustice and chicanery of bad white men, rather than white men who need protection from the incursions of bad Indians.

Our informant also added that Indian Joe and his band have generally been friendly and, in case of real trouble between the settlers and any of the aborigines, they have almost invariably assumed a friendly rather than a hostile part.

We trust that the foregoing will have a tendency to allay any public anxiety that might otherwise be felt in relation to this matter. We have the best of reasons for believing that our version of the affair is substantially full and correct; and if so, it will be seen that it does not call for the interference of the military, it being merely an individual dispute, and not a matter in which the interests of the public generally are at all jeopardized.

In two or three days at furthest we expect to be able to publish an account of the matter from the authorities in Thistle Valley, through whose wise counsels we hope that the difficulty will be settled, and full justice done to all concerned, white men as well as red.

Just as we were going to press we received the following telegram, which furnishes the explanation promised above, of the alleged Indian difficulty in Thistle Valley:

"FAIRVIEW, April 21st, 1875.

"A. M. Musser,

"DEAR BRO.—The trouble with the Indians amounts to Joe's band, sixteen Indians, trying to regain possession of the farm that they had improved heretofore, and some ill-feeling was manifested because it was refused them. All is amicably settled now.

"Lieutenant Buchanan, of Camp Douglas, being apprized of all the facts, being present at the interview, expressed his surprise that such a small affair could raise such an excitement, especially as the Indians are particularly anxious to go to farming like white folks. A great deal of the talk in relation to this affair has been caused apparently by a morbid desire for excitement, and I would say to all such parties that they can quiet their nerves, for their apparent anticipations will not be realized if a shadow of honorable treatment is observed towards said Indians. The

parties that were living upon their farm have been removed, and there is no doubt that the conduct of the Indians hereafter will show that there was no ground to justify any person to publish inflammatory letters on this subject.

"B. AMASA TUCKER."

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, APRIL 22.

**Assaulting and Battering.**—Last evening Sam. Clark was arrested on a charge of pounding Joseph Salisbury, and Sylvester Richards was arrested for abusing the same person.

**Getting Scarce.**—Grain, especially wheat, is getting scarce hereabout. There is a fair probability that importation of wheat from California will have to be resorted to, to a considerable extent, before harvest comes around. That will only make bad times worse.

**Sold.**—The fine building known some time ago as "Reid's," on East Temple Street, has been sold by Mr. Howard to Mr. S. W. Sears, for \$20,000, on easy terms. It is a very valuable property, and is certainly a great bargain.

Mr. Sears will remove to the new premises as soon as practicable.

**Those Horses.**—A number of the horses reported from Box Elder County, supposed to have been stolen, are branded resembling W with a semi-circle over it on the left shoulder, and one is an iron grey mare, 10 or 11 years old branded C or something resembling it, low down on the thigh, with a large colt with her.

**Unleavened Bread.**—Yesterday Mr. Leventhal, the humorous and lively auctioneer, who holds forth on First South Street, handed into our office a couple of unleavened cakes, such as are used by the Jews at Passover. Although flour and water are the only ingredients, this bread is sweet and pleasant to the taste.

**Dedication.**—The dedication of the fine new meeting house at Spanish Fork will take place on Saturday next. Elders Orson Pratt and Geo. Q. Cannon will be present and take part in the ceremonies, and it is expected that Bishop A. O. Smoot and other authorities of Utah County will be there. Elders Pratt and Cannon will remain at Spanish Fork over Sunday.

**Z. C. M. I.**—The premises occupied by Z. C. M. I. are being fitted up with shelving, partitions, &c., with a view to entering upon the retailing of hardware, groceries, and dry goods, within a few days. As a matter of course the arrangements now being made are of a temporary character, as it is designed to commence the proposed new building and push it to completion as soon as practicable.

**Water.**—The present spell of warm, we might consistently say hot, weather, is swelling the mountain streams unusually early this season, and makes the prospect for an abundant supply later, when it is especially needed, rather uncertain. A cooling, refreshing shower of rain would be about as acceptable a circumstance, in the shape of weather, as we could have just now.

**Short Weight.**—We are informed that a lady went into a trading store yesterday, where, in purchasing a supposed two pound roll of California butter, she had the curiosity to have it weighed, when it fell short just about six ounces. She of course declined to pay for more than its weight, but the dealer said he had received it for two pounds and would not sell it for less. From this it would appear advisable for parties purchasing California butter to first have it weighed.

**The Temple.**—Yesterday we saw four of the massive caps which are designed to surmount the niches for the statues which will adorn the Temple. They are of a peculiar and handsome style, and have been recently cut.

We understand that it is not designed to unroof the walls this season, as the cutting is mostly of the finer description, and will necessarily not proceed as rapidly as the rougher work has done, and it is presumed that the rock prepared this season and next can all be laid next year, the preparation of the rock taking much longer time than the laying.

**Burglars Arrested.**—Yesterday

evening James Dunn, alias Dublin, John Archer and Joseph Evans were arrested on suspicion of being the parties who broke into and robbed Mr. Margetts' saloon night before last. Charles Burgess, the party who saw the three thieves emerge from the alley way at the time of the robbery, identifies Dunn and Archer as the two men, while there are grounds for supposing that Evans was the boy who was seen.

Dunn is one of the numerous criminals who escaped from the penitentiary not long since, and he owes something to the District Court, to which he was under commitment for robbery when he broke jail. The trial of the three, before Justice Pyper, was set for 2 o'clock to-day.

**The Codling Moth.**—There is much talk just now about the codling moth. It is an important subject, as our home-grown stock of apples and in part of pears depends upon it. *Youman's Dictionary of Every Day Wants* gives the following exceedingly simple plan for trapping the moths—

"Take old cider, or cider vinegar, not very sharp; put half a pint in some open vessel, and hang it in all parts of the orchard when in bloom—empty fruit jars, or tin oyster cans with the top all off, would do. The string holding the vessel should be so placed that it would not turn the water (rain) running down the limb into the vinegar or cider. If you have a large crop to harvest, you will want to look to them every week or two to empty and renew if necessary."

**Effects of the Blockade.**—The effects of the Union Pacific railroad blockade are beginning to be seriously felt. Should it continue much longer there will soon be a dearth of various classes of merchandise, more especially sugar and nails. Complaints are also already being made of a scarcity of soap, and some merchants would apparently as soon not deal in the article at all as purchase that made at home, by the 19th Ward United Order, although the latter article is of good quality.

By the way, the effects of a short blockade, in making a scarcity of the necessities of life, is a powerful argument in favor of home production or, in other words, self sustenance. Without the latter the people of Utah must remain poor, and to a great extent dependent.

A sudden mercantile crash in the east, which may come at any time, would place us in a very undesirable predicament, as matters exist at present.

**That Benefit Party.**—A very enjoyable and harmonious party was held in the 14th Ward Assembly Rooms last night, with the intention of buying with the proceeds thereof a pair of artificial feet for Clara Holmberg, who has had the very great misfortune to lose both hers through being frozen. The managing committee of the affair desire, through the columns of the NEWS, to return their thanks to Bishop Taylor for the free use of the Assembly Rooms, and to Professor Thomas and others for the very excellent music furnished gratuitously. They regret that the attendance was not larger, but they wish to have it stated that they expect all persons who accepted tickets and were absent, to pay, the same as if they had been present. They have fifty dollars on hand, which is only half the amount necessary; but they express the determination to continue their efforts until the hundred is obtained.

## Correspondence.

A Judicial Ass.

Editor Deseret News:

"POLYGAMY CASE.

"The United States vs. W. Fotheringham, for polygamy. The prosecution came into court and entered a *nolle prosequi*, having become convinced that the offence was committed in Salt Lake County, that being the place of the last marriage, and would submit it to the Court. Judge Boreman stated that he would not prevent the prosecuting attorney from entering a *nolle prosequi*, but the case could be tried here, as this court had full jurisdiction of the offense. The prosecution said he wished to enter a *nolle prosequi*, which the court granted, and Fotheringham was