

## LOCAL NEWS.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY NOV. 18.

**Eagle Rock Ward.**—We learn from an Eagle Rock correspondent that a ward of the Church has been organized at that place, with James Thomas as Bishop, and William Thomas and John D. Evans as his Counselors. All the minor organizations are in working order.

**Jonas Lindberg Hurt.**—Yesterday Brother Jonas Lindberg, of Tooele, who is now serving a term in the penitentiary for unlawful cohabitation, was sent down the well at that place to work. Some of the persons at the top let the bucket fall, and Brother Lindberg was struck a very severe blow on the head. The wound, though painful, is not dangerous, and he is receiving proper attention.

**Court Notes.**—Proceedings in the Third District Court to-day: Rebecca Slater vs. J. L. Whitehouse; defendant allowed to December 10th to file affidavit.

**Win. C. Reddon vs. Union Pacific Railway Company;** defendant allowed until January 1st to file statement on motion for new trial.

**Utah Central Railway Company vs. Central Pacific Railway Company;** trial before court in progress.

**Returned from Abroad.**—Yesterday Brother William A. Rosseter returned from a visit to Europe. He stopped most of the time of his absence in England, among relatives in the vicinity of London, but also enjoyed a brief sojourn in France. He would have prolonged his stay abroad a considerable time longer, but for his health, upon which the English climate had a deleterious effect. He crossed the Atlantic both ways on the Gulon & Co. line of steamers.

**Addresses Wanted.**—Wm. H. Morgan, writing from Hollis, Cloud County, Kansas, under date of November 28d, 1886, says: "Will you be good enough to give my address to the many readers of your paper in Utah, as there are a great many of my old acquaintances living in that part whom I would like to hear from, but do not know where to write to, neither do they know where I am." Mr. Morgan was formerly of Dudley Port, South Staffordshire, England.

**Iron Bridge.**—Joseph Watson, of the firm of Watson Brothers, is again in the city, having just returned from the performance of an important contract on the Utah Central Railway. The necessity for a substantial and enduring bridge on that road at the lower crossing of Sevier River has long been apparent, and after determining to have it put in, the work was entrusted to the Watsons. It is iron, imported from the east, resting upon cut stone piers, and is 100 feet in length; the bridge is completed and has been accepted by the company.

**At Liberty.**—Ludwig Berg, of the Eleventh Ward, was sent back to the penitentiary last night, as the Commissioner was in doubt as to a mortgage on the property. He was brought down again to day, and was ordered released.

**Amos Maycock,** of North Ogden, was released yesterday, having paid the fine assessed against him and served two terms—11 months—for living with his wives.

**Jens. Hansen,** of Mill Creek, having served one term for unlawful cohabitation, was discharged this afternoon, by Commissioner Critchelow.

**Incorporated.**—Secretary Thomas to-day issued a certificate of incorporation to the "Price Mercantile Company," of Price, Emery Co. The officers are: D. J. Williams, president; W. F. Williams, vice-president; B. F. Cummings, Jr., secretary and treasurer; Martha A. Williams, David J. Williams, B. F. Cummings, Jr., directors. The capital stock is \$40,000, divided into 4,000 shares of \$10 each, subscriptions of which are as follows: D. J. Williams, of Price, 1,000; Emily W. Cummings, of Salt Lake, 140; W. F. Williams, of Price, 1; B. F. Cummings, Jr., of Salt Lake, 1; Martha Williams, of Price, 1. This is all paid up, and the new concern is therefore in sailing order; the incorporation is for twenty-five years.

**Valuable Mementoes.**—We have been shown a very beautiful engraving which will embellish the pages of the December number of the *Contributor*, to be issued in a few days. The picture represents two Nauvoo scenes—Joseph's storehouse and the Mansion. They are both points of historical interest, owing to their being connected with matters of great moment associated with the rise of the Church and personal incidents connected with the Prophet. These engravings are two of a series of similar pictures whose value will increase with time. They are now esteemed as precious mementoes of the past, but as, one by one, the old landmarks are swept away by the operations of time, and changes produced by the hand of man, the estimation of these pictorial productions will be proportionately enhanced. They are executed from photographs taken specially for the *Contributor*—by the New York Photo-engraving Company.

**Water for the Desert.**—There is a vast quantity of arable land—or what would be such if water could be got on it—in the country surrounding Deseret on all sides, and human ingenuity will some time remove that one obstacle.

In a limited way, steps looking to the reclamation of what are now barren wastes have already been instituted, and these will of course be followed by other and more extensive appliances by means of which vast tracts of good soil as can be found anywhere will be brought under cultivation.

We learn from the *Southern Utah Times* that while the drive-well machinery is not entirely satisfactory, the pipe goes down and soon the Utah Central people will prove the possibility of making that vast desert valley blossom as the rose. In a few more years the boundless basins will be pierced with innumerable syphons and the subterranean rivers will irrigate thousands of twenty-acre ranches. The railroad company would find it profitable to hasten this result by furnishing free, a few thousand feet of iron pipe and gratuitous use of boring machinery to such of its employees as are willing to devote a part of their time and energy to the enterprise.

**Court Notes.**—Proceedings in the Third District Court to-day: James Spillet vs. Salt Lake county; until Dec. 15 allowed to plead to complaint.

**The United States vs. Joseph Blunt;** unlawful cohabitation, one count; plea of not guilty.

**Augustus D. Ferron** was admitted to citizenship.

The grand jury came into court and reported ten indictments under the laws of the United States.

Saturday, Dec. 4, was set for the arraignment of Thos. Penton for unlawful cohabitation, and Jas. H. McCormick, disturbing the peace.

**The United States vs. Lorenzo Slutz;** unlawful cohabitation, two counts; sentence, six months on each count, and fine of \$100 on first count and costs.

**M. E. Rookledge vs. J. E. Bamberger;** dismissed.

**Wm. G. Reddon vs. Union Pacific Railway;** suit for \$25,000 damages; on trial before a jury.

**First District Court.**—In the First District Court at Ogden, to-day, John Stoddard, against whom there had been a one-count indictment for unlawful cohabitation, and to which he pleaded guilty, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment and a fine of \$300 and costs. He was ordered committed until the fine and costs were paid. He will be taken to prison this evening.

The case of the United States vs. Francis A. Brown was then taken up. The indictment in this case is for unlawful cohabitation and contains four counts, each covering a period of about ten days. The defendant has already served a term of imprisonment for the offense. The trial before a jury resulted in a verdict of not guilty on all four counts.

In the case of Mrs. Susan B. Parry, who was to receive sentence on a conviction of perjury, further time was asked for and granted.

**Storm Experience.**—A gentleman from this city, but who is now in the northern part of the Territory, sends the following under date of November 24th, to a friend in this city. He was at Portage (in Malad Valley), Box Elder County, and had occasion to visit Collinston, sixteen miles distant, during the storm which prevailed last week. He says:

"I drove to Collinston through the most blinding snow storm I ever saw. I lost my way and had to camp in a straw stack over night, but turned up all right next morning. I was two days instead of one making the trip, but perhaps it was a good thing, for I found a small boy standing by a vacant house. He was nearly frozen to death, and could scarcely walk when I found him. I got him moving, took him to the straw stack with me, built a fire under a shed, and we soon got warm. He stayed with me that night, as did also several others, including a man, his wife and baby. They were only half a mile from home, but could not find the road there. They drove off in the storm, and were absent from us about two hours, when they came back and stopped at the place they had started from, having traveled in a complete circle. During that time the snow drifted so hard that it was impossible to see more than a rod in either direction."

**Business Talk.**—The leading genuine Democrats of Idaho do not propose to lie supinely upon their backs and submit tamely to the monstrous frauds by means of which Fred Dubois was counted in as Delegate. Among those not to be brow-beaten is Jud Boyakin, editor of the *Democrat*. He says, in his last issue:

"The proprietor of the *Democrat*, on Friday last, repairing to District Attorney Lamb's office to consult with him in the matter of arresting R. T. DuBois, charged with ballot-box stuffing and interfering with election officials in the discharge of their duties, was told that Mr. Lamb had gone to Wood River, and that Jonas W. Brown would attend to his official business during his absence. Calling on Mr. Brown that gentleman said he was not particularly employed to act for Mr. Lamb, but would take any small matters that might be presented. Telling him the object of our visit Mr. Brown said that to effect an arrest the complaint and warrant would have to come from the county in which the crime was committed, unless it could be made under the United States laws; and that whether Mr. Dubois could be arrested under the latter was a question he preferred to let Mr. Lamb set-

tle. Mr. Lamb is daily expected home. It is to be hoped that Mr. Dubois can be rounded up under the U. S. laws, which would obviate an expensive trip to the adjoining county. We will accomplish his arrest sooner or later, if it is possible to bring it about."

**Watts Falls by the Way.**—Yesterday afternoon George C. Watts, of South Cottonwood, came into the Third District Court for arraignment on a one-count indictment for unlawful cohabitation. To the inquiry of the clerk as to his plea, he replied, "I am guilty, and if your honor please, I would like to submit a short statement." The statement referred to was read by Mr. Varian as follows:

To His Honor, Judge Zane:

Dear Sir.—Having been indicted to appear before your honor on the charge of unlawful cohabitation I wish to make the following statement to you in regard to my present condition and circumstances and also as to my intentions as to the future. When I married my second wife, Minnie Maxfield, I did not understand that I was breaking any law of our country, or that it was a crime in so doing, and I have continued to provide for and maintain her and her family up to the present time. My financial possessions are rather limited being confined to a homestead and some few stock valued according to assessment at \$900. My family consists at present of sixteen persons and in regard to the future it is my intention to conform to the law as interpreted by the courts. I shall be much obliged to your honor if you will inform me to what extent I may be permitted to go towards providing and assisting those who are absolutely depending upon me for their support, there being five under seven years of age, and their mother is not a healthy person by any means, and you can see that none of them are of an age to be of any aid or support to her in this trying time if left to their own exertions.

**Court.**—By this statement it seems to be your intention to obey the law?

Watts—Yes, sir, decidedly.

**Court.**—That is to say, that you will live with your first wife and her only?

Watts—Yes, sir.

**Court.**—Well, you have a right to support the children of your second wife—of your plural wife; and you have the right to assist her by contributing to her support; but you must understand that you have no right to live or associate with her as your wife; and you had better not associate with her at all. The fact that she is a plural wife will lead people to believe you are unlawfully associating with her if you associate with her at all. You may support your children, but be very careful not to associate with her in any way, because if you do you will be likely to get into trouble again. Do you understand?

Watts—Yes, sir, perfectly.

**Court.**—Well, in view of your representations, and believing that your statement is made in good faith, I am disposed to suspend sentence. You may file your statement with the clerk.

Watts—Thank you, sir, for your leniency.

## THE GRAND JURY

FOR THE SEPTEMBER TERM CLOSES ITS LABORS AND IS DISCHARGED.

Yesterday afternoon the grand jury for the September term of the Third District Court made its final report.

Thirteen indictments were filed, one of these being for stealing government property, one for polygamy, four for unlawful cohabitation, and seven under the laws of the Territory.

The following is the report, which includes the findings of the committees who visited the penitentiary and the city jail:

To the Hon. Charles S. Zane, Judge of the Third Judicial District, Territory of Utah:

The grand jury empaneled at the September term of court, herewith submit their final report. We have been in session twenty-seven days and have examined eighty-seven cases, including fifty-seven cases under the laws of the United States, and thirty cases under the laws of this Territory. Of these we have ignored twenty-two cases and found and returned indictments in forty-eight cases under the laws of the United States, and seven under the laws of this Territory.

The cases of the People vs. George Geatz, charged with grand larceny, and of the People vs. William Hood, charged with an assault with a deadly weapon were not submitted to us in time to be examined.

We recommend that said cases, together with the cases of the United States vs. W. E. Bassett, and the United States vs. S. R. Marks, and the United States vs. Gideon Mumford, all charged with the crime of unlawful cohabitation, be submitted by the court to the next grand jury.

Committees of your grand jury have examined into the condition of the United States Penitentiary and the City Jail at Salt Lake City, and the reports of said committees showing the results of such examination are hereto annexed and made part hereof.

We have returned indictments against the principals in a ring or prize fight, but have failed to indict any of the other parties implicated for the following reasons: The law under which these indictments were found has not been heretofore enforced, and we believe there was, very generally, a mis-

understanding in the community as to its application to public exhibitions and sparring matches. Under these circumstances we deemed it sufficient by indicting the principals to direct attention to the existence of a law which includes all exhibitions of the above character.

One Hyrum Newton was duly subpoenaed to appear before us as a witness. He has failed to appear, and we request that he be attached and dealt with as the facts may warrant.

Having concluded our labors we ask to be finally discharged.

RICHARD MACKINTOSH.

Foreman.

## THE PENITENTIARY.

Richard Mackintosh, Esq., Foreman of the Grand Jury, United States District Court.

DEAR SIR.—The undersigned being a sub-committee appointed by you to report on the condition of the Penitentiary, beg leave to report that in company with other members of the grand jury, we visited the Penitentiary on November 28th, and found everything in as good order as could be expected under the circumstances. Many of the jury visited the place for the first time and we are empowered to make the statement that were it not that the United States appropriation had been made which is expected to place the Penitentiary on a much better, more modern and more civilized basis—we would feel like making a very stringent criticism on the accommodations provided and the general antique look of the place. We desire it to be understood, however, that this statement shall not be held as reflecting on the present management of the institution. For as far as our investigation extended, and as carefully as we could examine into the state of affairs, the present managers and officers are doing everything in their power to utilize the poor accommodations, to look after the welfare of the inmates and to give a modern look to what is really a relic of barbarism. We examined into the question of clothing, food, kitchen and bunk arrangements and find no complaint to make beyond what is implied in the above limitations.

We were happy to find a school under way inside the prison walls, conducted by a Mr. Johnson, a convict, and largely attended by the inmates. We cannot speak too highly of the value of such a school, particularly to the younger convicts. The United States has a just pride in the fact that measures of prison reform and prison advancement (if we may so speak) are receiving earnest attention throughout the country. And we trust that the school and other similar agencies for good will be fostered and maintained as far as may be possible.

We were advised of the case of a Richard Hood, now awaiting trial and temporarily lodged at the Penitentiary, who is a terrible sufferer from epileptic fits. He has had eighteen inside of a couple of months, and it would seem that an asylum was a more fit place for him than a prison. The warden concurs in this idea; but what asylum could receive him, or what relief could be extended him, we are not prepared to say.

Repeating that we find everything at this Penitentiary in as satisfactory a condition as the limited, semi-barbarous style of the institution permits, we remain,

Yours, etc.,

MARK S. SEVERANCE,  
JOSEPH E. GALIGHER,  
JAMES ANDERSON,

## THE CITY JAIL.

To the Foreman and Members of the Grand Jury:

We, your committee appointed to investigate the condition of the Salt Lake City Jail, would respectfully submit: That the cells are kept in as good condition as the character of the inmates will allow; the building well warmed and ventilated, and the food given the prisoners of good quality and sufficient amount.

JOS. E. GALIGHER,  
JAS. ANDERSON,  
CHRIS. DIEHL.

The request of the grand jury with reference to Hyrum Newton, the defaulting witness in the case of S. B. Smith, who is in custody on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon, was granted, and an attachment issued returnable to-day.

The jurors were then discharged from further service.

## FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, DEC. 3

**Important.**—Thomas P. Dutcher, writing from Portland, Iowa County, Mich., on Nov. 25, 1886, says that he was a private in Company B, Mormon Battalion, in the Mexican war. He wants the address of all the surviving members of said company, as he has something of importance to communicate. Address as above. Other papers are requested to copy.

**Funeral Service.**—The funeral service over the remains of Brother George Nebeker was held in the Nineteenth Ward meeting house at 12 o'clock to-day, and was attended by a large number of friends of the deceased, including a number of Kanakas. Bishop James Watson presided. The opening prayer was by Counselor A. W. Carlson. The speakers were Bishop Orson F. Whitney and Elder George B. Wallace, and the closing prayer was offered by Elder Henry Grow.

**Roll and Record Books.**—The new roll and record for the use of the Y. M. M. I. Associations is now ready for distribution. Superintendents of associations in each State should send in orders for enough copies to supply all the societies. The books are seventy-five cents each, and may be had at the *Contributor* office or of N. W. Clayton, general secretary.

**Commissions.**—Secretary Thomas has issued certificates of election to the following officers of Beaver City, who were chosen last Monday: (Henry Emerson, mayor; D. Grimshaw, Samuel Bakes, W. W. Hutchings, Jr., George Fennemore, Thomas Frazer, councilors; J. G. Armstrong, marshal; Robert Stoney, recorder; S. N. Slaughter, assessor and collector; W. H. Bakes and George Fennemore, justices of the peace; C. R. Bird, treasurer.

**Midway.**—J. B. Wilson, of Midway, Wasatch County, called at the News office to-day, and gave the (to us) startling information that the recent snowfall paid its respects to the people of that vicinity in the shape of two feet of the article, most of which is there yet. The atmosphere, however, is about the same as here. The people are all well housed, with plenty of fuel and provisions on hand, so the rigors of the out-door world do not affect them much. The health of the people generally is good, and prosperity prevails. Mr. Wilson returns home on Monday.

**Eels.**—Fish Commissioner Musser has received, in addition to the Utah quota of carp, a fine lot of young eels, a sample of which he exhibited in the News office to-day. They are very lively, quite clean looking, from eight inches to a foot long, and as slick as a peeled onion. The commissioner has placed a large number of these peculiar fish in the Jordan River, a stream decidedly adapted to their culture and growth, and as fecundity is one of their characteristics, we shall probably soon have plenty of them. Meantime, if a boy or man who never saw one happens to catch what at first glance seems to be a snake in that stream, he need not be alarmed, just put it back.

**Another Sentence.**—To-day George Naylor, who was arrested at Kanias, Summit County, on Tuesday night, on an indictment for unlawful cohabitation, pleaded guilty in the Third District Court. The Judge asked—Are you ready to receive sentence now?

Mr. Naylor—I am ready.

**Court.**—Have you anything to say?

Mr. Naylor—No, sir.

**Court.**—Is it your intention in the future to obey the law?

Mr. Naylor—I have no promise to make.

The Court then imposed the full sentence—six months' imprisonment and a fine of \$300 and costs.

Mr. Naylor went out to the penitentiary this afternoon.

**New Incorporation.**—The Marion Manufacturing Company is the name of a new organization incorporated under the laws of Utah, with a capital stock of \$50,000, divided into 2,000 shares, 1,995 of which are held by B. B. Kenney, of Omaha, and the remainder by Samuel Reed and C. P. Davis, of Omaha, and John Beck, J. W. Fox, Jr., and David James, of Salt Lake City. The object of the company is to carry on the manufacture of cooking utensils, stoves, heaters, stamped ware, cutlery and silver plated ware, to deal in the same, and to hold and manage real property for the management of such business. The principal office is at Salt Lake City, and the factory—a building 100 by 200 feet—is to be located near the Hot Springs.

**Court Notes.**—Proceedings in the Third District Court to-day:

Five cases left over by the last grand jury were ordered resubmitted to the next. Three were under the laws of the United States and two under Territorial statutes.

**F. C. Thurston et al. vs. H. Hill et al.;** defendant allowed until Dec. 22nd to plead.

**The United States vs. George Naylor;** unlawful cohabitation, one count; defendant pleads guilty; sentence six months in the penitentiary and fine of \$300 and costs.

**Utah Central Railway Company vs. Central Pacific Railway Company;** motion of defendants for nonsuit overruled; judgment for plaintiff for the amount claimed.

**Elias Morris vs. Mammoth Mining Company;** defendant moves for a continuance, one of the grounds being the absence of a witness, Thomas Pierpont; plaintiff agrees to admit Pierpont's evidence; motion for continuance overruled.

## B. H. ROBERTS ARRESTED.

The Charge is Unlawful Cohabitation.

The Defendant Fails to Appear—Bonds Forfeited.

About half-past four o'clock yesterday afternoon, Deputies Pratt and Vandercook arrested B. H. Roberts, of the editorial staff of the *Herald*, on a charge of unlawful cohabitation. The warrant was issued by Commissioner McKay, with whom a complaint had been filed on September 11th, by D. W. Rench, alleging that, from October 1, 1883, to September 1, 1886, Brigham H. Roberts had unlawfully lived and cohabited with, as his wives, Louisa Roberts and Celia Dibble.

The defendant was taken before the