

THE EVENING NEWS.

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TWO DAYS' MEETINGS AT OGDEN.

There will be public meetings held at the Tabernacle in Ogden on Saturday and Sunday next, the 3rd and 4th of June, commencing at 10 o'clock on Saturday morning. It is expected that the First Presidency, several of the Twelve and other Elders will be present.

To-day, the 1st of June, 1871, is the 70th anniversary of President Young's birth; and, as might naturally be supposed, in a city of which he is the founder, and among the people of which he is held in such high reverence and esteem, there have been several demonstrations of respect in his honor. The Deseret University, adjourned its session on this account; and between nine and ten o'clock this morning, the Theatre string and brass bands, under Professor C. J. Thomas, serenaded the President at his residence. But the feature of the day, in this connection, was the visit paid President Young, by most of the members of the Quorum of the Twelve residing in this city, namely: Elders Orson Pratt, John J. Taylor, George Q. Cannon, and Joseph F. Smith. This visit was prompted by no love of mere formal display or ceremony, but through a desire to congratulate upon the anniversary of the President's birth, and to give expression to the genuine love and honor which entertain for a man who has stood by and led them, and by whom they have stood faithfully during the most arduous scenes of the history of this Church and of the Saints of latter-days; and springing from weak feelings only, it is easy to imagine that emotions of no ordinary character were evoked and displayed during the interview.

There had been no preparation for the occasion; but Elder John Taylor was chosen to give expression to the feelings of his brethren of the Twelve at their visit, and as he was apprised of the task only a few minutes beforehand there was no time, if it had been desired, to compose a special address, however, in a very feeling manner, gave expressions to the following impressive address:

BROTHER BRIDGEMAN:
We a few of the Twelve, who are now in this city, have called upon you to congratulate you upon this anniversary of your birth. We are happy to find you in the enjoyment of good health, and that your bodily strength and general appearance indicate such remarkable preservation after an eventful career of seventy years. We rejoice that through the blessings of Israel's God, you have been able to lead forth His people from the hands of the far-off East to these beautiful valleys of the mountain West, which under your counsel aided by the Spirit of our Heavenly Father, have spread and expanded to their present magnificent proportions.

We look upon you, under the direction of Almighty God, as our leader in the Kingdom in this land, and through the world; and as we have enjoyed your companionship, counsel and fellowship for so many years past, we sincerely hope that your life may be prolonged to you for many years to come, and that we may have the pleasure of your associations in this world, and then be eternally united in the Celestial Kingdom of our God.

The visit was made in President Young's private office, where were present, besides President Young and the Twelve, President George A. Smith and some fifteen or eighteen others.

While Elder Taylor was speaking the emotion of these present was so great, that there was scarcely a dry eye in the room. President Young, who, however strongly he may be moved, rarely gives any external expression thereof, was evidently much affected, and made the following very brief reply:

"Brethren, I am exceedingly obliged to you for your kind words in waiting upon me, and for your congratulations and compliments, and I pray that the peace and blessing of Israel's God may rest upon you."

We take great pleasure in recording a spontaneous tribute of respect such as the above. President Young and the Twelve have, in the providence of God, been called to pass through scenes and circumstances of the most trying character, and in doing so they have learned to know each other's value, and that knowledge has created respect and love that nothing can undermine, and that will exist as long as time itself.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Utah Central Railroad was held this morning at the office of the President of the Board. The following gentlemen were elected directors of the Road: Brigham Young, Wm. Jennings, Joseph A. Young, Fernand Little and Christopher Layton. After transacting some other business the meeting adjourned. The Directors afterwards met and elected Brigham Young, President of the U. C. R. R.; Wm. Jennings, Vice-President; Geo. Swan, Secretary; D. McKinnon, Auditor; and Secretary, James L. McKinnon; John Sharp, General Superintendent; and James W. Fox, Chief Engineer. The labor of Superintendent Fernand Little have been so arduous in connection with the U. C. R. R. and the Construction of the Utah Southern, that he felt he could not do justice to both positions, and it was his wish that a General Superintendent for the U. C. R. R. should be selected so that he might be left free to attend wholly to the pushing forward of the construction of the U. C. R. R. for this reason a new General Superintendent for the U. C. R. R. was elected.

and arbitrate the claims of those whose cargoes had been lost by shipwreck in the West Indies; and, on one occasion, several vessels had foundered within a few hundred miles of each other. The testimony given by the masters of these ships, who had been rescued from the sea, was strikingly conflicting and contradictory. Though they claimed that their vessels had gone down in a storm on a given day and almost at the same hour, Mr. Redfield noticed that, in every case, they testified to having encountered the gale from a different quarter of the compass. Laying off on the map of the West Indies the location of each disaster, and drawing an arrow to represent the course of the wind, at the time it occurred, he instantly perceived that the conflicting testimony was harmonized, and that these vessels had perished in a storm rotating in direction against the hands of a watch. After this discovery he gathered an immense number of log books and other observations, from which he made still further discoveries concerning the laws which govern storms. He discovered that the storms of the American coast were of a rotary character; that they were progressive whirlwinds, moving forward on the line of an incursive spiral at a considerable rate, and that they revolve in the Northern hemisphere from east to west, against the hands of a watch, and in the Southern hemisphere from west to east, with the hands of a watch.

His published researches were followed by those of others, confirming his statements. It was afterwards more fully shown that the centre of the storm is marked by a full or calm, and by an exceedingly low barometer. By observing the veerings of the wind, seamen can ascertain the direction of the dreaded centre of the storm, and knowing the centre, can easily escape the danger. To facilitate this calculation, Mr. Fiddington, President of the Marine Court at Calcutta, prepared two Horn-Cards, (which are transparent) one for the northern and one for the southern hemisphere, which, when the seaman uses them on his chart, will inform him in what direction to steer to avoid the storm, and to get the advantage of a favorable wind. This law of storms has been demonstrated to so great an extent that it is now accepted by many as established. Meteorological observations have also shown that generally the law holds good for the land as well as for the sea, and it is believed that a solid basis is obtained for a system of storm-forecasts and storm-warnings.

The importance of these discoveries, especially to the commercial and maritime world, cannot very well be over-estimated, as by observing this law valuable lives and property may be saved. The instances where ships have been rescued from imminent danger by their Captain's understanding and applying the law of storms, are very numerous. General Albert J. Myer is in charge of the American Signal Service, and storm predictions, based upon observations, and reports received by telegraph from various quarters, are issued from his office. They have been of great advantage to vessels about to leave port. Better for a vessel to be delayed for a short time than to venture out of port, and encounter a gale when in the vicinity of land.

It may be of advantage for our readers to know that observation has shown that "bad or worse weather usually follows shifts of wind against watch-hands" in this latitude.

OCCASIONALLY of late years the public mind has been horrified with the details of immorality or cruel discipline and treatment practiced in convicts. Something of this kind for the first time, of a long trial in the courts in London, some years ago, and, according to the London Times' Paris correspondent, a great emotion and scandal has recently been caused by some revelations of convict life in Paris.

The correspondent says that in the Rue de Picpus, near Mass Prison, stand two large buildings, one an establishment of the Jesuits, the other the convent of the White Nuns. During the recent troubles in Paris these buildings were taken possession of by the national guards, and subsequently, some circumstances came to light which indicate that outrageous cruelties, worthy only of the dark days of Inquisition times, have been practiced within the confines and towards some of the inmates of these buildings.

It is believed from certain spurtures in the walls, recently closed up, that communication has hitherto existed between the nuns of the White Nuns and that of the White Sisters; but the former, on the first sign of trouble, abandoned their and made their exit to parts unknown.

That which has created great feeling among the people of Paris in the quarter in which the Convent of the White Nuns was situated, was the discovery, made by a student of the convent, of the garden, of three little conical huts, six feet square each in height, in which, when the guards took possession of the place, enclosed in wooden cages, like chicken pens, were three old women inmates. The Lady Superior admitted that these poor creatures had inhabited these pens for nine years, during which time they had had to endure stifling heat in summer, and were half-frozen with cold in winter.

In another part of the garden in an isolated building, were found mattresses furnished with straw and buckles, iron corsets, a skull cap, and a rack turned by a cog-wheel. The Superior explained that these were orthodox instruments; but the belief was that the mattresses and straps were for midwifery purposes, and that the remainder of the articles were instruments of torture. Among the papers a key was discovered labelled "key of the great vault," but all searching has failed to discover the great vault, and the nuns either deny its existence or refuse to disclose its whereabouts.

By Telegraph.

For Western Union Telegraph Lines

Afternoon Dispatches.

A Revolting Sight—Thirty-three Communists, including seven women, shot at one time!

Coroner's Verdict in the Pittston Mining Catastrophe!

Difficulties of Collecting U. S. Taxes in Alabama!

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Colfax—Tax collection in Alabama.
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 1.—Vice-President Colfax was conveyed in his carriage, this evening, to the railroad depot, where he took passage, in a special car, for his home in Indiana, accompanied by Dr. Bliss, his private secretary and several others.

Collector Latham writes from Huntsville, Alabama, that there is a large amount of internal revenue tax due in the interior and mountainous country of this district, which he cannot collect in the ordinary way, and consequently several of his deputies have resigned and no responsible man can be found who will undertake the collection by distain and sale, in case they could not do so and live safe in the country. The collector, therefore, asks whether or not he may be permitted to go to the county assessors' tax books and ascertain what delinquents have in the way of property and distain and sell the property at the county court house in each county where the distain is made, instead of within a certain time, as the law requires, as required by the law governing in such cases. The commission-ers, in reply, "Your request is declined. To grant it for the reasons you state would be to take from the hands of the United States cannot be executed in your district. I intend to collect the revenues of the United States in Alabama as I do in Massachusetts. Appoint new deputies in place of those who have resigned, and proceed with the execution of your duties. If resisted call upon the local authorities for aid; if this be not sufficient, telegraph me at once and I will ask for troops to maintain your authority and insure the execution of the law."

NEW YORK.

Stocks.
New York, 21.—Money plenty, 3 per cent. Government's advanced 1/2, closing steady. Coupons of St. 1 1/4; 62 1/4 and 65 1/4; new and 67 1/2; 68 1/4; 10-40's, 91; 8's, 103.

MASSACHUSETTS.
A boat.

BOSTON.—The report, published in Wednesday morning's newspapers, that a boat containing an account of the case of the City of Boston, was washed ashore at Shillade, proves to be a hoax. A telegram from the Halifax agents of the Luman line steamers says there is no foundation for the story.

The legislature prorogues this evening. Three hundred and ninety-nine bills and ninety-five resolutions were signed by the Governor. The difficulties between the two branches was compromised.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Verdict on the coal mine disaster.
PHILADELPHIA.—A special dispatch from Pittsburg says a coroner's jury in the case of the recent disaster at the West Pittsburg mine, worked by Blake & Co., rendered a verdict this morning. After detailing the facts of the case the jury declare that the miners met with death from the improper ventilation of the mine and that when the breaker broke there was no means of supplying the men with fresh air, and that the means of ventilation were not such as required by the act of March 30, 1870. The jury further find that there was negligence on the part of the employees of the company in not keeping portions of the machinery properly oiled and, further, that the accident was caused by the breaking of a greater number of men than that already referred to, warranted. The verdict finds further that Thomas W. Williams, inspector of mines, knew of the violation of law, but did not protest against them, and that he failed in his duty in not applying to the courts for an injunction against the operators.

FOREIGN NEWS.

FRANCE.

Paris and Lille will resist.—The restoration of the Orleans family advocated by a horrible scene—New York.

PARIS.—A most revolting sight occurred to-day on the plaza, in front of the Hotel de Ville. Thirty-three Communists, among whom were seven women, were shot at one time, by the national guards. Around the sides of the square towers, to the number of fifteen hundred, are drawn up, under the command of Colonel Guizot. Eighty soldiers in a row and back, were confined in the coal cellars at the back of the porter's lodge, in the Hotel de Ville, were brought out. Their hands were tied behind their backs and they were then marched out by the main gateway, through a double line of soldiers, and having reached the centre of the wide area in front of the Hotel de Ville, were ranged in a row and back, and then the firing commenced. There was nothing on the whole plaza but three empty scavenger carts, which stood in a line at the rear of the prisoners. 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