

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

RETURNED.—Yesterday morning, President Young, a number of the Twelve and other gentlemen left this city for the end of track of Utah Central, and thence to Ogden; the party returned this afternoon.

THEATRICAL.—A good house assembled last night at Mr. W. T. Harris' benefit. The excellent selection of pieces for the occasion and the masterly manner in which they were disposed of, gave ample satisfaction to the audience. All those engaged in the pieces seemed to play in their best style, and on the whole the evening's entertainment was a complete success. The first piece on the programme was the drama of "Ireland as it was," an affecting picture of the wrongs and cruelties which the peasantry of that unfortunate country has labored under for very many years, but whose condition has been somewhat bettered since legislation have drawn public attention to the matter. "Judy O'Trot" was admirably personated by Kate Devin, and Mr. Harris' "Ragged Pat" was a faithful representation of the "broth of a boy," while Mr. Lindsay's "Dan O'Carolan" was very impressive. The fifty hearted old "Stone," a land agent, and his meekly confederate, "Slane," were delineated in excellent style by Messrs. Thorne and Graham, as were also the remainder of the characters by Messrs. Hardie, Evans, Crowther, Kelly, Mackintosh, Mrs. A. Clawson and Miss Platt. At the conclusion of the first piece Miss Clive danced in excellent style and received an encore.

"Gisapulus," by Messrs. Hardie and Harris, kept the audience in a roar of laughter. As "Jenny Leatherlungs," in the concluding extravaganza of "Jenny Lind and last," Kate Devin was afforded a fine opportunity of displaying her extraordinary talent as a vocalist. She has a soft, clear, mellow voice which she controls with admirable effect. Her singing last night was beautiful. Mr. Phil. Margrett did ample justice to the character of "Granny Grog," an enterprising manager on the alert to engage "stars," who, on hearing Miss "Leatherlungs" sing mistakes her for the famous warbler, "Jenny Lind," and seeks to make professional overtures to her. Mr. Hardie, as "Baron Swigford Beery," a pompous collector with a legion of fellow students of lesser note who determined, on hearing the famous "Jenny," to serenade her, created peals of laughter by their grotesque antics, and even upset the gravity of "Jenny" herself.

To-night will be again presented the sensational drama of "Griffith Gaunt," which was so successfully played here a short time since. Kate Devin will personate "Kate Peyton," Messrs. Hardie, Lindsay, Graham and Margrett appearing as "Griffith Gaunt," "George Nevill," "Mr. Houseman," and "Tom Leicester." The numerous other characters will be sustained by Messrs. Thorne, Harris, and the other ladies and gentlemen of the corps.

DESERET ALPHABET.—Last evening Bro. W. A. McMaster opened a school in the 11th Ward for the purpose of teaching phonetics, using for this purpose the Deseret Alphabet. Bro. W. E. Jones was elected principal teacher, with several auxiliaries. There were twenty six pupils in attendance at the opening of the class. We trust the people of the Ward will appreciate the importance of this movement and would recommend the various wards of the city that have not already a school for the instruction of children in phonetics, to follow the example of the 11th Ward, and "go and do likewise."

ROAD UP CANYON CREEK.—Warden Rockwood informs us that he has been authorized, by the County Court, to construct a good road up Smith's fork of Canyon Creek, to the summit of the mountain; and to collect toll from all teams passing up said road at a rate not exceeding one dollar per cord of wood, and other things in proportion, until the expenses of construction and the interest on his outlay are paid, when the road will be turned over to the County Court. The Warden has expended \$700 on this work during the past two months, and he calculates to have it open to the public in about two weeks from this time.

HOMI-MADE SHOE FACTORY.—Jenbings' home-made shoe factory, on East Temple St., is now in full blast, turning out excellent articles both for men and women's wear. There are about forty hands at work on the premises and we are assured that stog boots and shoes can be purchased at this establishment at as low a figure as the imported article; the same is also true of women's shoes. Now, all purchasers know very well that home-made articles are far superior to those imported, so far as durability is concerned, and if they can be purchased at as low a figure, they should have the preference. Think of this and sustain home manufactures.

SAN FRANCISCO ITEMS.—Last Friday evening, at a quarter to 7 o'clock, the Giant Powder Mills, a short distance from San Francisco, exploded, killing two men and severely injuring several others. The two killed were Dr. Bussellius, the chemist of the establishment, and a man named Charles Cook, the driver; the head of the latter was blown off and his body hurled to the bone in many places. Eight Chinese men were more or less injured, some of them so severely that they were not expected to recover. On the same day, early in the morning, a little boy was choked to death with a piece of meat lodging in his throat.

STAFFORDSHIRE CROCKERY.—We learn that Mr. H. B. Clawson, Superintendent of Zion's Wholesale Co-operative Mercantile Institution, has just received a large and general assortment of crockery ware, chosen specially for this market, direct from the pottery, Staffordshire, England, being their first direct shipment from that point. These goods will be sold at rates below anything before offered in the Utah market, and dealers in crockery wishing to purchase will find it to their advantage to call at the establishment.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES BY STAGE.

Arrivals from the Terrains.
Wm Bennett; John Sharp, Jr.; J. A. Paige; Wm H. Paige; T. P. Stone; F. S. Purcell.

Departures for Terrains.
A. W. Storer and wife; W. Learecey; W. W. Levi; T. B. H. Stenhouse; J. A. Kirby; Mr. L. Hobbs; James Cabill and sister; P. Engelbrecht; W. W. Boyd; H. Gove; M. G. Grind; Wm Whaley.

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