

tion inexpedient. Report adopted.

The same committee reported that it would be inexpedient at present to accept the proposition of H. J. Faust, to obtain a loan for the City, on the conditions proposed; report adopted.

Report of committee on streets and alleys, to whom was referred the petition of Mr. Laron Pratt and several others, relating to the improving of North Temple street, in front of petitioners' residences, recommended that the improvement asked for be made. Report adopted.

Report of committee, to whom was referred the petition of J. Midgeley and others, asking that 5th East Street, between 3rd and 4th South Streets, be repaired, stated that the street complained of was in no worse condition than many other streets equally public, and recommended that no special improvement be made; report adopted.

Several bills were presented and disposed of, when the subject of numbering the houses in the city was brought up and referred to committee on improvements.

The City Recorder stated to the Council that it was impossible, under present circumstances, to collect the licenses of job and express wagons and hacks, as there was now no means of distinguishing them and recommended that they be numbered; referred to committee on license.

The City Marshal was instructed to insert a notice in the DESERET NEWS and Salt Lake Herald, notifying the public in relation to the penalty for depositing rubbish in the street, when the Council adjourned, to meet next Tuesday evening at seven o'clock.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, APRIL 18.

Snow.—The ground was barely covered with snow again this morning.

Adjourned.—The District Court for the Second Judicial District met a few days ago, at Beaver, Judge Boreman presiding, and adjourned till June.

Lettering.—To day we were shown a very beautiful specimen of lettering on glass, executed by Brother Reeves, late of Leeds, England.

Renovation.—Portions of the interior of the City Hall are undergoing a renovatory process, in the form of scrubbing, whitewashing, &c.

Dancing.—Although it may be a "Rarey" feat for a horse to dance on its hind legs, it was perhaps a "rarer" one which was seen to-day, when a span of quadrupeds, with a fish wagon attached, took to terpsichorean exercises. The teamster appeared to be the only witness of the spectacle who did not relish it.

Reverberatory Furnaces.—Morris & Evans are about to commence the erection of a reverberatory furnace at the Winnemucca Smelter, Bingham, the necessary materials having already been shipped from this City for its construction.

A furnace of the same description is also about to be built at the Sheridan Hill Works, West Jordan, by the same contractors.

From Cache Valley.—Elder Brigham Young, Jr., arrived last evening from Logan. We learn from him that snow is still about a foot deep on the level and diminishing very slowly. Not only has no plowing been done by the farmers, but the people have, as yet, been unable to work on their city lots. The Spring is exceedingly late. The snow on the level is very hard and icy.

President Young and Party.—President Brigham Young and party are expected to reach Nephi, Juab County, to-morrow evening, and President D. H. Wells, a number of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles and others will leave this city to-morrow morning, for the purpose of reaching Nephi in the evening, in order to take part in two days meetings, to be held there on Saturday and Sunday.

Sanitary.—In to-day's NEWS will be found a notice from Marshal McAllister, giving notice to all parties, who are infringing the city ordinance relating to nuisances, that they must comply with it, and that none may be ignorant of the requirements of the law the ordinance itself is also published, in connection with the notice. All interested, and everybody should

be, should read, mark, inwardly digest, and govern themselves accordingly.

An Accident.—As the passenger train was coming from Ogden this morning there was a very narrow escape from a fatal accident when at the Summit or Sand ridge. A gravel train was shunted there, and one of the hands with it had his hat blown off; and though the down train was very near he jumped across the track and got his hat, and in doing so he dropped an apple from his pocket. He foolishly stooped to pick up the apple and while doing so the pilot of the coming engine caught him on the head, cutting a pretty deep gash about three inches long, and threw him on to the pilot. He luckily had presence of mind sufficient to hold on to one of the braces, and so saved himself from death. The train was stopped, and he was rescued from his perilous position. The only injury sustained was the cut above mentioned, but had the train been going at full speed, his death would have been inevitable.

Social Entertainment.—Last night there was a social entertainment at the 13th Ward Assembly Rooms, for the children of the Sabbath school of that Ward and their parents. The Rooms were crowded, many having to turn away, not being able to get inside. President D. H. Wells and Bishops E. Hunter and E. D. Woolley were present. The exercises consisted of songs and recitations, rendered in a highly satisfactory manner. At half-past eight refreshments were handed around by waiters to all present, and afterwards a variety of delicacies were distributed in the same manner. The entertainment continued till about half-past nine, when all felt that they had spent an exceedingly pleasant evening.

The expenses and etceteras of the entertainment were generously contributed by the members of the Ward, which not only encouraged the children of the school, but also the superintendent and teachers, who are glad to see they are not alone in their interest for the rising generation in the Ward.

Judicial Dodging.—Judge McKean has a strikingly peculiar way of getting out of difficulties of his own creation. He dodges around corners with wonderful celerity, and some of his judicial contortions and twistings are quite agonizing. Occasionally when he finds he has "put his foot in it," he falls back on his judicial dignity, gets mad and does something desperate. Over half a year ago, in the cases of Kate Flint vs. Jeter Clinton et al., and Cora Conway vs. Jeter Clinton et al., he made an order, the protest of Messrs. Snow and Hoge, attorneys for defendants, to the contrary notwithstanding, giving the cases to a referee.

Yesterday these cases came up in their order on the law calendar. Several members of the bar intimated that they were of such a character that they could not be legally referred. The judge at once saw that he had got himself into a snap and he was also aware that the whole bar knew it, as there was an unmistakable evidence of the views of its members. Instead of quietly "acknowledging the corn," he flew into a kind of a pet, or off at a tangent, and in the heat of it, set aside his own order to refer the cases, which he had previously made. He is a judge who can, with great dexterity, "turn a corner, Jinkin."

District Court To-day.—Greenwood and Strauss vs. H. Wallace; motion to set aside order of yesterday, plaintiff pay \$5 costs and defendant has ten days to amend his answer. Defendant excepts.

Alexander Toponce vs. Thomas Mahon, demurrer withdrawn; ten days to answer.

W. H. Pitts vs. Robert C. Chambers; by agreement of counsel on both sides it was ordered that until further order of court the defendant be enjoined from taking ore from ground marked "area of ground in conflict" in the diagram, and from the "King of the West" claim, but the defendant is allowed the use of City Rock Lower tunnel, for the working of other claims, etc.

F. M. Smith vs. Thomas Fitch; defendant excepts to order refusing to extend time to file affidavit of merits.

Smith and Jonassen vs. W. J. A. Umback; default and judgment.

J. J. Dean vs. W. V. Richmond; demurrer overruled; motion to dis-

charge attachment overruled; twenty days given to answer.

O. F. Strickland vs. Flagstaff S. M. Co.; plaintiff's motion to strike from the court files the affidavit of one Nicholas M. Maxwell, or to exchange therefrom a statement of a conversation said to have taken place between him and plaintiff, and also the affidavit of J. N. H. Patrick, on the ground that the statement and affidavit are impertinent and scandalous, was set for hearing on Monday, or as soon thereafter as convenient.

Wells, Fargo & Co. vs. E. D. Ralph; demurrer withdrawn; judgment for plaintiff.

L. Golding & Co. vs. Isaac Wolfe; demurrer sustained; defendant has till Monday morning to ask to file amended answer.

George R. Warr n et al vs. Probate Court of Tooele Co.; continued for the term.

Thos. D. Brown & Son vs. James D. Lamb et al; dismissed on motion of plaintiff's attorney; costs paid.

Thos. R. Jones vs. Jas. T. Woodmansee et al; demurrer to answer sustained; demurrer to complaint overruled.

Court adjourned till Monday at 10 a.m.

Great Britain.—Elder John H. Burrows, in a letter to President Herrick, in the *Millennial Star*, from Lowestoft, Suffolk, March 12, says he had been thirteen days travelling with Elder R. W. Heyborne, among the saints of the Bedfordshire Conference. Elder Burrows says—

"We have already held seven meetings and visited quite a number of scattered families. In most places, where we have visited, I find there are only one or two persons who belong to the Church, and they are so far apart from each other, that it is impossible for them to hold meetings. In these places the visits of the Elders are anxiously looked forward to; the hearty shake of the hand with which the Elders are received, and the many enquiries made respecting the progress of the work in other parts of the country, are sufficient to show the deep interest which these isolated Saints take in their religion. I have noticed, with much pleasure, that the Saints so scattered, take great interest in reading the *Star* and *Journal of Discourses*, and appear to feel much better, spiritually, than many who live where there are large Branches of the Church and who most frequently hear the instructions of the servants of God.

"In most of the places where we have visited we find only one or two of a family in the Church, although, as a general thing, those members of the family not in the Church are favorable to the Cause, and treat the Elders with respect and kindness.

"This Conference extends over a large district of country, embracing portions of eight counties; and it takes an Elder at least two months to visit the members from one end of the Conference to the other. We have done most of our travelling on foot, as the finances of the Conference are not such as to admit of the Elders traveling by railway or other conveyance. I have already walked 103 miles, and expect to make it up to about 150 before I return to Liverpool.

"The Saints generally are very poor; wages for an able-bodied laboring man averaging from thirteen to eighteen shillings per week. It is a matter of surprise to me sometimes how the laboring people contrive to get along as well as they do, considering the small wages they get."

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, APRIL 18.

Accident.—Yesterday a young son of Mr. John Eugene, residing in the 19th Ward, was climbing on the coal shed and fell, fracturing his left fore arm. The injury was attended to by Dr. H. Davis, assisted by Dr. Plant. The patient is doing well.

Boreas.—One would suppose that the jaws of old Boreas must ache, for the manner in which he snorted and blew last night would have led one to imagine that unless they be extraordinarily tough they would burst. His bellows are still in good order, however, as he has been giving a few vigorous puffs to-day. His breath was somewhat icy last night.

A Hoax.—Some person who evidently possesses more fondness for practical joking than good sense, endeavored to hoax the public and

create a sensation yesterday by posting up a notice announcing that "Katie" Bender, the "she devil," had been captured at Bingham Creek, and had arrived here by the afternoon train. The author of that notice evidently wanted to see a general rush to the City jail, but the ruse didn't take. Such attempts to create false rumors should be punished, whenever the perpetrators are discovered.

Cache Valley.—In a letter from Brother James A. Leishman, dated at Logan, April 16th, he says—

"Our winter is now beginning to loosen its icy fetters, and Mother Earth begins to show her venerable face once more. The south sides of the mountains afford us some relief for our famishing stock, and the farmer begins to look after seed, farming utensils, &c.

"The Utah Northern Railroad north of Smithfield is now being pushed to completion to Franklin, to accommodate the Spring traffic to Idaho and Montana.

"The indefatigability of our citizens is not to be beaten, although many of our brethren are as sorely pressed as they were the grasshopper war, having fed out to their stock their seed grain and vegetables, yet, by dint of rigid economy, we hope by the blessing of the Almighty to survive and build up the kingdom of God in these valleys."

Suspicious Conduct.—On Wednesday afternoon, while a niece of Mr. C. H. Wilcken, aged about fifteen, was returning home from school she was accosted by a well dressed man. He informed the girl that he was a stranger, just in from the East, was going down to the lower part of the city, and would accompany her. On arriving at the locust patch, near the B. Y. lower mill, he asked her to go into the enclosure with him, which she refused to do. He then asked her to meet him there in the evening. The girl got frightened and ran home as fast as she could. She told her uncle, Mr. Wilcken, of the circumstance, and on learning it, he set off at full speed, in hopes of overtaking the fellow, but was unsuccessful. Had he caught up with that scoundrel, whose intentions cannot be mistaken, the latter would doubtless have had occasion to keep the matter in remembrance during the remainder of his life.

The parents and guardians of girls should instruct the latter to hold no converse with those who are strangers to them. There are characters in this city who will do almost anything to gratify their hellish lusts.

Two Problems.—There are two problems the solution of which has been frequently attempted by the people of the nineteenth century, and as frequently failed—"aerial navigation" and perpetual motion. Prof. Wise, of "Graphic balloon" and "eastern current" celebrity, stands among the latest "attemptists" in the first line, but he turned out to be a fizzle "of the first water," and a genius, named Edwards, of Provo, was recently a candidate for the honor of the discovery of the second principle. Of the last, however, we have not heard much lately, and the aerial navigation business seems to be rather quiet just now. Barnum announced some time ago that he was going into the balloon business, and he is said to be the price of humbugs, and from this it might be considered that the whole idea was rather humbuggery, which may or may not be so. Speaking of humbugs, however, it does not appear that Barnum is much of a humbug, for a humbug is something that is not genuine, and Barnum is a genuine humbug by actual profession, while the real humbug is the individual who is one in reality, while professing to be something else. One thing the *Graphic* has done by the balloon affair, it has spread its journalistic fame over the civilized world.

Scandinavia.—Elder P. C. Geertsen, in a letter in the *Millennial Star*, dated Aarhus, Denmark, Feb. 22, says that he and the little company of Elders with whom he left Liverpool, arrived in Copenhagen, Nov. 20, three and a half days' journey, and were heartily welcomed by the Saints who were assembled for Conference. After a few days' rest the Elders dispersed to their various fields of labor, Elder Geertsen going to Aarhus, where he formerly labored six years, Elder C. F. Schade being the present president. Elder Geertsen visited his relatives, who were surprised to see him. Elder Geertsen continues—

"Since I came here I have visited the different branches of the Conference and find that the work is progressing. We are adding constantly to the number of God's people in this part of his vineyard, and I have the satisfaction already of knowing that my labors have brought some into the church.

"I have found some individuals with whom I was acquainted in former days, and who heard me preach then. When they heard that I had returned to this country, they were anxious to hear what I then had to say. Some, I rejoice to say, are now baptized and others are nearly ready for baptism.

"I have no doubt but what a great many will yet embrace the truth in this country, and gather with the Saints, for there are many good and honest souls who can see the great fall whereunto man has fallen.

"We have baptized forty-three souls during the last three months, and others are getting ready for baptism.

"I am well, both in mind and body. Please give my kind regards to the Elders who know me. I would like to hear from some of them."

A Villain.—About ten o'clock last night, Mr. Nelson Empey and family, whose residence is on South Temple Street, were aroused by hearing a loud scream and a sound as if something had fallen immediately outside the house. Mr. Empey and a lad immediately rushed to the door, on opening which they saw a young lady struggling in the hands of a ruffian. Mr. Empey got a pistol and went after the scoundrel as quickly as possible, but owing to the fierceness of the wind and the darkness of the night he escaped. The lady who, as may well be imagined, was terribly frightened, was taken into the house. It appears that she had been down town on an errand and, in returning, discovered that she was doggedly followed by a man. To elude him she entered the gate and stood upon the porch of Mr. Empey's residence, where she remained half an hour, in hopes that the fellow would move away, but he kept pacing back and forth on the sidewalk.

As soon as the lights were put out inside the house the villain approached her and seized her with evil intent. She stated that being a stranger to Mr. and Mrs. Empey, she did not knock for admittance and protection. After the lady became composed, Mr. Empey saw that she was escorted safely to her home, which was only a short distance away. She is a lady of respectability.

The fellow who attempted this dastardly, brutal outrage had better look out for squalls. He was sufficiently seen for identification.

This circumstance should act as an additional warning to ladies in regard to the danger of going out of doors nowadays after dark without a male protector. The condition of society in this community has materially changed of late years, and not for the better. There is more "civilization" here than there used to be.

To Bishops and Others.—For the benefit of those who desire a complete and faithful record of their families, when born, blessed, confirmed, etc., in their respective wards, and with a view of securing uniformity of information under suitable headings, a Bishop's Record has been carefully compiled by the authority and sanction of the bishops and leading men in Israel, and as such is recommended, hoping the bishops and brethren of wards will avail themselves of a correct record, that may be handed down to posterity.

Respectfully yours,
EDWARD HUNTER,
L. W. HARDY,
J. C. LITTLE.

A GOOD IDEA.—The Arizona *Miner* of April 3, says—

"By telegram, yesterday, we heard that the House committee was in favor of allowing New Mexico to enter the Union as a State. We do wish that Colorado, New Mexico and Utah were in, as then our Uncle might not be so stingy in his dealings with the remaining Territories or infant States."

That is a very good idea. The more of the infants who pay their own way, the more pocket money the remaining few infants may reasonably expect from their Uncle.