

A Lamentable and Fatal Occurrence.

The following inexplicable occurrence resulting in the death of a lad named Allen Norton, have been related to us by a gentleman from Summit county, and are no doubt, in detail substantially correct, as the relater is known to be a man of truth:

Sometime in November last, Mr. Charles Norton, a resident of Provo City, went to Summit county and took a job of making a quantity of shingles for Mr. S. P. Hoyt, near the mouth of Silver Creek, about forty miles from Provo at which he worked till just before Christmas, when he returned to Provo to spend the holidays.

On or about the 10th inst., he started on his return to Summit with a yoke of oxen and cart, taking with him his son, about fifteen years of age, not a very strong, healthy lad, to assist him in completing his job, going by way of the Provo Canyon road. The weather was stormy and the roads very muddy, in consequence of which he made slow progress, and not having taken the precaution to have a plenty of provisions with him for such an emergency, his scanty stock was exhausted before he had made half the distance from Provo to the place of destination. On the 13th, in passing from Provo Valley over to Silver Creek, Norton and his son traveled all day in a severe storm of rain and snow without food, getting along but slowly with the oxen, which, long before they reached the first settlement on the Creek, gave out, and could not travel further, and they were unhitched from the cart and left without being unyoked. The father and son then proceeded a short distance on the road, when the lad, cold, wet and hungry, became so exhausted that he could go no further, and laid down by the way. His father then took him up and carried him some considerable distance, when he either swooned or fell asleep and the father supposing that the boy was dead, laid him down by the roadside, and went on to the nearest house, said to have been some two miles distant, and related the sad occurrence to the occupant, a Mr. Mecham, who being about as stupid as the father, made no effort to go for the body of the supposed dead boy that evening, but unconcernedly went to bed and slept the remainder of the night.

On rising next morning, the father went several miles further down the creek to the house of a relative before going for the body of his son, and it was after midday, as reported, before he and others went for the corpse and on arriving at the place where he had the evening previous placed the body, to his surprise he found that after he had left his son, as before stated, he had revived, got up and walked about three quarters of a mile, and then had laid down again in the snow and died, and, from appearances, had not long been dead, as the body when found by following the tracks, had not been stiffened by the cold.

The occurrence, when made known, created some considerable excitement and indignation among the people in that vicinity, as the life of the boy would have been saved but for the stupidity and indifference of the father and of the man to whom the circumstances were first made known.

The oxen that were left in the yoke, were not looked after for nine days; they were then found a short distance from the cart, standing up, surrounded with snow three or four feet deep, having beaten a circular track therein, out of which they could not get. They were in an emaciated condition, but it was believed that with care they could be resuscitated.

The sorrowful occurrence should be a warning to others, traveling in this mountainous country in the winter season, as many do without properly preparing themselves with food and clothing sufficient to make them comfortable and secure in the event of being overtaken with storms.

SPEECH OF JUDGE KINNEY.—Chief Justice Kinney addressed the Convention after the signing of the Constitution on the last day of its session in an eloquent manner. His speech was reported and will appear next week.

CALIFORNIA MAIL.—There has been no mail from the Pacific slope for several weeks, in consequence of the floods which have deluged California and Nevada, but one is expected either to-day or to-morrow.

THE SAMARITANS.—This ancient race will probably ere long have ceased to exist, as it has long been gradually but surely diminishing. At the present time the whole tribe consists of not more than one hundred and fifty persons, and as their laws forbid them to marry except among their own people, there are now twelve young men who cannot find wives. They dwell at Shechem, and every Easter go up with their tents to Mount Gerizim, where they keep the Passover, with precisely the same ceremonies which accompanied its celebration two thousand years ago. Like the Jews, they slay the paschal lamb, and with loins girded and staff in hand they eat it with bitter herbs. Unlike the modern Jews, (with whom they have no dealings whatever,) they have their high priests, and this office has ever descended in the same family. The present venerable old man will be succeeded by his nephew, who is now a rabbi; besides these two officiating priests there are six slayers, whose duty it is to kill the sacrificial lambs. Not only is the Passover celebrated as of old, but every rite mentioned in the Bible is adhered to with the greatest exactitude and minuteness.

AN ACT

In relation to Territorial, County and City Taxes.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Governor and Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Utah, that the Territorial tax shall hereafter be one per centum per annum, two-thirds of which tax shall be paid in gold and silver coin.

Sec. 2. That hereafter no county or incorporated city shall levy, assess, or collect any tax, for any purpose whatever, except the poll tax, authorized to be levied by the county courts, by an act passed during this session of the Legislative Assembly.

Sec. 3. All laws and parts of laws conflicting with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Approved Jan. 17, 1862.

AN ACT

Apportioning the Representation of Utah Territory.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Governor and Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Utah, that at the General Election for eighteen hundred and sixty two, and yearly thereafter, Washington county shall elect one Representative to the Legislative Assembly, Iron county one, Beaver county one, Millard county one, Juab county one, Sanpete county one, Utah county three, Wasatch county one, Summit and Green River counties one, Great Salt Lake county six, Tooele county one, Davis and Morgan counties two, Weber county two, Box Elder county one, and Cache county two.

Sec. 2. At the General Election in eighteen hundred and sixty three, and biennially thereafter, Washington county shall elect one counselor to the Legislative Assembly, Iron and Beaver counties one, Millard and Juab counties one, Sanpete county one, Utah and Wasatch counties two, Great Salt Lake, Tooele, Summit and Green River counties four, Davis and Morgan counties one, Weber and Box Elder counties one, and Cache county one.

Sec. 3. All laws or parts of laws conflicting with this act are hereby repealed.

Approved Jan. 17, 1862.

AN ACT

Defining the Boundaries of Counties, and for other purposes.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Governor and Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Utah: That all that portion of the Territory bounded south by latitude 37 degrees north, west by Nevada Territory, north by a line running due east, and west through a point four miles due north from the northeast corner of Fort Harmony, and east by the 32 meridian west from Washington City, is hereby made and named Washington County: Provided that such portions of Big Platte creek and the lands drained by it, as are south of the aforesaid due east and west line four miles north of Fort Harmony, are hereby included in Iron County.

Sec. 2. All that portion of the Territory bounded south by Washington County, west by Nevada Territory, north by a due east and west line, crossing the military road on the summit of the ridge dividing Little Salt Lake and Upper Beaver valleys, and east by the 32 meridian west from Washington City, together with the region included in the proviso in section one, is hereby made and named Iron County.

Sec. 3. All that portion of the Territory, bounded south by Iron County, west by Nevada Territory, north by a line running due east and west through a point two miles due south from the south side of Wildin's Fort on Cove creek, and east by the 32 meridian west from Washington City, is hereby made and named Beaver County.

Sec. 4. All that portion of the Territory bounded south by Beaver County, west by Nevada Territory, and east and north by the summit of the mountains between Panguan valley and Sevier river, following said summit east of the Lake in Round valley and north of said valley to its intersection with the summit of the mountain range west of said valley, thence northerly on the last named summit to its intersection with Sevier river, thence due north across said river to a point one-half mile north of its north or right bank, thence west to Nevada Territory, is hereby made and named Millard County.

Sec. 5. All that portion of the Territory bounded south by Beaver County, west by a line running due north from the summit of the range of mountains north of Round valley through a point three miles due west of the mouth

of Sanpete creek until it intersects the range of mountains east of Juab valley, thence along the summit of the last named range until it intersects the summit of the range between the waters of Spanish Fork creek and Sanpete valley, north by the summit of the last named range until it intersects Green river; thence by a line drawn due east from said intersection to the 32 meridian west from Washington City, and east by said meridian, is hereby made and named Sanpete County.

Sec. 6. All that portion of the Territory bounded south by Millard County, west by a line drawn due north from the north line of Millard County to the most western peak in the range of mountains between Tintic valley and Meadow creek, thence along the summit of said range to its intersection with the range between Tintic and Rush valleys, north by the summit of the range between Tintic and Rush valleys and the summit of the range between Tintic valley and Cedar and Goshen valleys and the summit of the range between Goshen and Juab valleys and the summit of the high ground and range between Utah and Juab valleys, and east by Sanpete County, is hereby made and named Juab County.

Sec. 7. All that portion of the Territory bounded south by Juab County and Sanpete County, west by the summit of the range between Cedar and Rush valleys, north by the summit of the cross range between the Ogulir and Wasatch mountains, east by the summit of the range passing around the head of Dry, American Fork, Battle, Hobbie, and Spanish Fork creeks, and a line drawn due north and south across Provo river at a point one-fourth of a mile above the mouth of North Fork or Deer creek of said river, to intersect at each extremity of said line the summit of the last named range, is hereby made and named Utah County.

Sec. 8. All that portion of the Territory, bounded south by Utah and Sanpete counties, west by Utah and Great Salt Lake counties, north by the summit of the range of mountains south of the headwaters of East Canyon and Silver creek and a line running easterly from a point in said summit to and across Provo river, where it passes through the canyon above Melville Ross' ranch, and along the left bank of said river to its headwaters, thence easterly to the summit of the range of mountains north of Uinta valley, thence along the last named summit and south of Brown's Hole, to the 32 meridian west from Washington City, and east by said meridian, is hereby made and named Wasatch County; and the Probate Judge of said county, when elected, shall, as soon as practicable, organize said county and locate its county seat.

Sec. 9. All that portion of Territory bounded south by Utah County, west by the summit of the range of mountains between Great Salt Lake and Tooele valleys and a line running from the northern termination of said summit through Black Rock on the south shore of Great Salt Lake, north by the shore of said lake easterly to the mouth of Jordan river, thence by the center of the channel of said river to a point due west from the Hot springs north of Great Salt Lake City, thence by a line running due east to said Hot springs, thence by the summit of the spur terminating at said Hot springs to its intersection with the summit of the Wasatch mountains, and east by the summit of said mountains is hereby made and named Great Salt Lake County.

Sec. 10. All that portion of Territory bounded south by Great Salt Lake County, west by the eastern shore of Great Salt Lake, north by a line running due east from a point in said shore to a point in the center of the channel of Weber river due north from the northwest corner of Kingston's Fort, thence up the center of said channel to the center of the lower canyon of said river, and east by the summit of the Wasatch mountains, is hereby made and named Davis County.

Sec. 11. All that portion of Territory bounded south by Davis County, west by the eastern shore of Great Salt Lake, north by a line drawn due east from a point in said shore to the Hot springs by the Territorial road north of Ogden city, thence by the summit of the spur range terminating at said Hot springs to its intersection with the summit of the Wasatch mountains, east by the summit of said mountains passing around the headwaters of Ogden river, is hereby made and named Weber County.

Sec. 12. All that portion of the Territory bounded south by Weber County, thence by a line co-incident with the shore of Great Salt Lake, following said shore around the head of Bear River bay, Promontory Point, the north end of said lake, and thence southeasterly to a point where it is intersected by latitude 41 degrees north, thence by said latitude to the summit of Pilot Peak, thence due south 30 minutes of latitude, thence by latitude 40 degrees 30 minutes north, west by Nevada Territory, north by latitude 42 degrees, and east by the summit of the range of mountains east of Malad valley, crossing Bear river at the center of its lower canyon, and thence southerly along the summit of the Wasatch mountains, and passing around the headwaters of Box Elder and Willow creeks, is hereby made and named Box Elder County.

Sec. 13. All that portion of the Territory bounded south by Juab and Millard counties, west by Nevada Territory, north by Box Elder County, and east by the west and south shores of Great Salt Lake and Great Salt Lake and Utah counties, is hereby made and named Tooele County.

Sec. 14. All that portion of the Territory bounded south by Wasatch County, west by Great Salt Lake County, north by the summit of the range of mountains forming the upper canyon of East Canyon creek, thence northerly along the summit of the range between said creek and Weber river, thence across said river to and along the summit of the highland between Pumber or Lost and Echo Canyon creeks, thence to and along the summit next north of Yellow creek to Bear river, thence easterly across said river to the summit of the divide between Bear river and tributaries of Green river, and east by the summit of said range, is hereby made and named Summit County.

Sec. 15. All that portion of the Territory bounded south and east by Summit County, west by Great Salt Lake, Davis and Weber counties, and north by Weber County and a line running from a point in the eastern boundary of Weber County nearest the most eastern headwaters of Ogden river, along the summit of highlands or range passing around the headwaters of Pumber

or Lost creek, easterly to the point where the north boundary of Summit County crosses Bear river, is hereby made and named Morgan County; and the Probate Judge of said county, when elected, shall, as soon as practicable, organize said county and locate its county seat.

Sec. 16. All that portion of the Territory bounded south by Summit, Morgan, Weber and Box Elder counties, west by Box Elder County, north by latitude 42 degrees north, and east by the summit of the divide between the waters of Bear river and tributaries of Green river, is hereby made and named Cache County.

Sec. 17. All that portion of the Territory bounded south by Wasatch County, west by Summit and Cache counties, north by latitude 42 degrees north, and east by the 32 meridian west from Washington City, is hereby made and named Green River County.

Sec. 18. All the islands in Great Salt Lake are hereby attached to Great Salt Lake County, for election revenue and judicial purposes; and judicial jurisdiction of all acts and transactions done or entered into on the waters of Great Salt Lake and on so much of its beach as is not included in any county is hereby given to Great Salt Lake County, and the judicial district to which said county at the time belongs.

Sec. 19. When any uncertainty or dispute arises as to what county an act or transaction has transpired in, either of the counties in which it is fairly presumable such act or transaction has occurred, is hereby authorized to have jurisdiction in the case.

Sec. 20. The Hon. Zerubbabel Snow, who is the last Probate Judge of what was Cedar County, is hereby required, at the earliest practicable date, to deliver or cause to be delivered to the Probate Judge of Utah County, the seal and all the books, records, documents and other papers pertaining to the Probate and County courts of said late county; and the administrator upon the estate of Luke Johnson, deceased, late and last Probate Judge of what was Shambly County, is hereby required at the earliest practicable date, to deliver or cause to be delivered to the Probate Judge of Tooele County, the seal and all the books, records, documents, and other papers pertaining to the Probate and County courts of said late county.

Sec. 21. All judicial proceedings pending in any county previous to the publication of this Act, are hereby continued in full force and virtue, and shall be adjudicated and determined in the county in which they are included by the passage of this act.

Sec. 22. All laws and parts of laws conflicting with this act are hereby repealed.

Approved January 17th, 1862.

Married:

In Cedar city, on the 13th inst., by Bishop Henry Lunt, JOHN L. JONES and RACHEL SIMKINS.

Died:

At North Ogden, ELLEN BERRETT, daughter of Alfred and Elizabeth Berrett, aged 2 years and 26 days.

Of consumption, on Friday the 15th Dec., 1861, at the residence of Wm. H. Hooper, in this city, GEORGE W. KNOWLTON, in the 30th year of his age.

[Galena Gazette and Cincinnati Enquirer please copy.]

New Advertisements.

MORMON BATTALION BALE.

ALL Members are invited to a BALL and PIC-NIC PARTY to be held at the 14th Ward New Buildings, G. S. L. City, on Thursday evening, Feb. 6, 1862. To commence at four o'clock p.m.

Tickets, \$1.50 per couple. Each additional Lady, 50 cents.

N.B. Tickets to be had of Ephraim Green, 17th Ward, G. S. L. City. Please apply early to avoid disappointment.

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ESTRAYS.

I HAVE in my possession one old brown horse MULE, sore back and saddle mark on the back, the points of both ears slit, Spanish brand on the left thigh.

Also one black and white OX, about six years old, black head and neck, branded on the left horn, W H and H U S H.

BRIANT STRINGAM,

31-3 Stray Pound Keeper.

WOOD! WOOD!

FIVE GALLONS of MOLASSES given per cord.

G. B. WALLACE, 17th Ward.

STRAYED.

A RED OX, seven years old, marked on the near horn C N SMITH, switch tail, stag horns. Whoever will return the same to Thomas Taylor, 14th Ward, shall be suitably rewarded.

31-3

STRAYED OR STOLEN.

FROM Parley's Canyon, late in last summer, one yoke of OXEN, about seven years old, one white and black, branded H on side, S on one hip, and J F on right shoulder. The other was a small red Ox, J F on right shoulder, one or both ears cropped, little or no brush on tail. Any person giving information that shall lead to their recovery, shall be liberally rewarded.

JOSEPH FIELDING.

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STRAY.

I HAVE in my possession one red and white STEER, one and a half years old, stag horns. The owner is requested to prove property, pay charges and take him away.

JOSEPH SHAW,

31-1 19th Ward.

STRAY COW.

I HAVE in my possession a brindle and white COW, branded N A on left shoulder; she has a piece of small cord on her neck. The owner is requested to prove property, pay charges and take her away.

JOHN EDDINS, State Road.

31-2

SEWING MACHINE FOR SALE.

ONE of Wheeler & Wilson's latest improved double lock stitch Family SEWING MACHINES, with hemmer and all appurtenances. Invaluable to a large family.

Choice given to purchaser of either of the machines in daily use. Terms: Cash, Stock, or first class lumber. Apply at Mrs. STENHOUSE, first house west of Tabernacle.

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NOTICE.

THE following Strays are in my possession:—One brown OX, white spot in forehead, branded S on left hip.

Also, one dark speckled OX, branded U on left shoulder.

The above cattle will be sold in twenty days after date, if not claimed.

JOSEPH NICHOLAS, Poundkeeper,

Willard City, Box Elder Co., U.T.

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