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LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY, JUNE 19.

Blacksmith Wanted.—L. Lance, Rock Creek, American Falls, Idaho, desires us to state that a good blacksmith is wanted by that settlement. A son of Vulcan would do good pay. There are between thirty and forty families in the village.

The Whitewashed Unmitigated.—Dr. J. B. Carrington, the big game hunter, who was put through a farcical examination before a U. S. commissioner, turns up in Soda Springs, Idaho, and figures as a respondent of our contemporary *Herald*.

Mining Machinery.—The new machinery of the Bullion, Beck and Hampton Mining Company, of Antic District, is all in running order and working admirably, and the prospects of the enterprise are reported as bright. There is a forty-horse power engine, three crushers and eight jiggers.

The Old Folks.—Owing to the sickness of Bishop L. E. Harrington, of American Fork, the "Old Folks' Committee" cannot yet decide what day the excursion will take place; but will give due notice to the public in time for the aged veterans to prepare.

COMMITTEE.

Wheeling to Ogden.—This morning a number of Salt Lake bicycle messengers started for Ogden. Whether they will make that point or not is in question. The intention was to wheel to the junction city and return by train. The wheelmen will do it uphill work this hot day, and will doubtless rest on the sand dunes, crossing which will specially test their grit.

Convalescent.—Brother John T. Alexander has so far recovered from the effects of the injuries he received at the hands of the trio of burglar assassins that he is warable about to-day. He is still quite lame, however, and compelled to use crutches for support. The hat which was worn at the time he was attacked, a portion of the front of which was carried away by a bullet, has been placed in the Museum.

Bishop Hunter Returned.—Yesterday Bishop Edward Hunter returned from a visit to St. George, having been absent from home seven days. Having accomplished the object of his trip, doing Gospel work in the Temple for his ancestors, he feels well. His health is very fair, he might say remarkably so, considering the advanced age of the respected veteran. We bid him welcome home again.

A Useful Book.—"Extempore Speech, How to Acquire and Practice It," by Rev. William Pittenger, instructor in the National School of Oratory and Oratory. This is a most excellent work, from which much useful information can be derived. It is one specially adapted to a community like this, among whom are more public speakers than in any other of the same proportions in any part of the world. It is a work of over 250 pages; price \$1.50, and is on sale at J. H. Parry's.

Another Child Drowned.—A deplorable accident occurred at Willard City, Box Elder County, on Saturday last. A little boy, sixteen months old, son of Brother Alfred Ward of that place, fell into a stone conduit. The stream was quite small, but very swift, and the little fellow was carried down rapidly by the current a distance of about twenty rods. Besides being drowned,

he was very badly bruised by striking against the sides of the culvert. Efforts were made to resuscitate him, but life was quite extinct.

A Pleasant Affair.—Wm. Marsden wrote from Parowan:

The members of the Relief Society of this place lately gave a dinner to the old folks over the age of 65 years, "Mormon" or non-"Mormon." The affair took place in our new school-house. It was a pleasant affair. The party was entertained with songs, recitations, speeches and dancing until 11 o'clock p.m. The committee were: Hulda A. Mitchell, Sarah E. Smith, Mary A. Marsden, Mary A. Benson, Anna Ward, Thomas Durham, Hans I. Mortenson, John Eyre and Sidney Orton.

Fatally Shot.—Our reporter called on Under Sheriff O. G. Lesterman, of Holbrook, who arrived in St. John's on Monday, who made the following statement: "On Saturday last in the afternoon, Jack and James Porter got into a dispute with a man named James Warner about a ranch. Warner had taken up a ranch and had left it, when it was jumped by the Porter Bros. during Warner's absence, and when the parties met in Holbrook, high words were exchanged, when Mr. Warner was shot just above the lower rib, the ball passing through his liver; he was also shot in the shoulder, and though not dead when Mr. Lesterman left, his death was expected every moment."—*Orion Era*, St. John's, Arizona.

He Worked His Way Out.—Some months ago a member of one of the branches of the Church in England, a few miles from Liverpool, made up his mind to come to Utah. A serious difficulty presented itself—he was almost entirely without funds. Nothing daunted, he secured a post in a vessel bound to New York and worked his passage across the ocean. He next got work, obtaining a small amount of means, traveled by train, and then walked some distance, keeping his face westward all the while. He would make another stop, work and get a little more means, then start and cut off another slice of the distance to Salt Lake City, till finally he reached here a few days ago. This incident shows what can be done by persistency and perseverance.

From the Far South.—This morning we had the pleasure of meeting President Christopher Layton, of St. Joseph Stake, Cochise Co., Arizona. The many friends of Brother Layton will be pleased to learn that he is in excellent health, and retains all his habitual cheerfulness of spirit. He is up from his southern home on a visit of a few weeks, during which time he will look after his harvesting and other interests in this region.

Brother Layton thinks there is a prosperous future ahead of St. Joseph Stake. The climate is salubrious and the facilities for stock-raising are unsurpassed. There are at present four settlements on the Gila and two on the San Pedro. Large crops have been sown and a good number of orchards started, with every appearance of being thrifty. Sixteen miles of canal to convey water from the San Pedro have been completed and 47 miles from the Gila.

Daring Robbery at Woodruff.—A correspondent of the *Orion Era* gives the following details of a robbery that occurred at Woodruff, Apache County, Arizona, on the 28th of May:

While Brother Fish was at the desk busy writing, and Brother Owens was in the back room putting up some paper, two men came into the store. One of them entered at the front door, and the other entered at the back door, both at the same time, and the first notice of visitors was a loaded pistol aimed at each one of the salesmen. The desperado then ordered Mr. Fish to open the safe. Mr. Fish replied: "The safe is opened." He was ordered to open that safe, and he thought it was best to obey, and opened one drawer. He was ordered to open the other drawers, which he did. After taking the money, one of the villains guarded the clerks while

the other helped himself to two six-shooters, belts and cartridges, one pair of pantaloons, some canned goods and crackers. The cash and goods taken amounted to \$800. The names of the robbers are, James Tewksbury and Graham.

Swimming Against the Current.—Brother August Wilken has received a letter from Elder Anthony Ivins, now laboring in the Mexican Mission. The communication relates a little incident which shows the courage and persistency characteristic of the Elders when assailed while in the performance of their duty. It appears that Elder Ivins and a native brother named Candanosa visited a village called San Andres, for the purpose of calling upon a congregation of Protestants in the place. As they approached the gate of the premises they were met by a preacher named Delarco, who ordered them off. He abused the Elders and denounced what he asserted to be the doctrines they taught, and kept repeating his order for the brethren to be gone. Elder Ivins assured him that he would not go until he got ready. The animated conversation of Delarco brought out the entire congregation, and Brother Ivins took the opportunity of talking to them, remaining about an hour, despite the opposition with which he was met, explaining the doctrines of the Gospel, and overturning the statements of Delarco. Elder Ivins is of the opinion that good will grow out of the incident.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY, JUNE 23.

That Case of Drowning.—On Saturday, we mentioned the accidental drowning of a young man named George Simpson, in Bear River, on the 11th inst. It appears that he and Mr. Donald McAllister, were attempting to ford the river on horseback, to look after some cattle on the opposite side, when they found the water too deep, and the swift current washed both men from their saddles, and McAllister, being a good swimmer reached the shore. The other was swept down by the stream and drowned.

Death of Sister Faust.—It will be seen by obituary notice in another column that Mrs. Elsie A. A. Faust, wife of Brother H. J. Faust, died yesterday. The deceased was a most estimable lady, whom to know was to esteem and love. Her life was full of vicissitudes, the many trying scenes through which she passed causing the noble qualities of her nature to shine all the more brightly. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved husband and her four children, left to cherish the memory of a dutiful and affectionate wife and fond and loving mother. The funeral will be conducted at 3 p.m., to-morrow, at the 14th Ward Assembly Rooms.

Sad Tidings.—The *Enquirer* states that Mrs. A. P. Newell, of St. David, Cochise County, Arizona, who has been on a visit to her relatives in Provo City, received the following startling telegram:

Tombstone, A. T., June 19, 7.30 p.m. Mrs. A. P. Newell, Provo. Newell has been kicked by a horse. Have brought him to Tombstone hospital. Faint hopes of his recovery. Skull badly fractured. If death ensues shall I take him to St. David for interment?

GEO. LAKE.

Mrs. Newell has been thrown into great distress by the terrible intelligence. She has telegraphed for further news and sent instructions, should the worst fears be realized, to have the body placed in a metallic casket and forwarded to Provo.

The President and Party.—President Taylor and party, which left this city at 6.55 a.m. on Sunday, consisted, besides himself of President George Q. Cannon, Elder F. M. Lyman, of the Quorum of the Twelve, Bishop John Sharp, Elder Geo. Reynolds, Elder John Irvine and four ladies.

Reached Nephi at 10.30 on Sunday, and held meeting at 11 o'clock. Left Nephi at 2.30 p.m., arrived at Deseret (152 miles from Salt Lake) at 6.30, held meeting at 7 p.m. and again the following morning (Monday)

at 10 a.m. Thence the party proceeded to Milford. They held meeting yesterday (Tuesday).

When heard from yesterday the party were in good health and the weather was lovely. All the people of Deseret turned out to welcome the Presidency at the depot.

The Willard Drowning Accident.—Brother T. W. Brewerton, of Willard City, Box Elder County, sends, by mail, the following details of the case of accidental drowning, mentioned in yesterday's issue:

"On Saturday, the 16th inst., about 4 o'clock p.m., George E.H., infant son of Alfred and Mary Ellen Ward, of this place, aged 16 months, fell into the rock culvert in front of their residence and was carried a distance of some 20 rods by the force of the current, and when rescued, although restoratives usually applied in such cases were resorted to, life proved to be extinct.

"The mother at the time was prostrated on a bed of sickness by a fever, and the sudden shock told fearfully on her delicate frame. The parents share the heartfelt sympathy of the ward in their sad bereavement in the loss of so promising a child of the family circle. The little one was consigned to its resting place in the cemetery on Sunday afternoon last, the ceremonies being attended by numerous relatives and friends."

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, JUNE 24.

Third Company.—By telegram to President John Taylor, from James H. Hart, we learn that the company of Saints that left Liverpool yesterday numbered 697 souls.

President Taylor and Party.—President's party left Deseret at 3 p.m. on Monday; arrived at Milford at 5.30; left that place at 6.75; arriving at Minersville at 8 o'clock.

On Tuesday they held meetings at Minersville at 10 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. At 4 p.m. they left Minersville for Beaver, which was reached at 6.30 p.m.

On Wednesday they held meeting at Beaver at 2 p.m. To-day they were to hold meetings at Beaver at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. All the party are well.

Death of Bishop Harrington.—We learn by telegram from J. M. Tanner, that Bishop L. E. Harrington, of American Fork, expired at half past ten o'clock this morning. This sad intelligence will touch the hearts of thousands, who held the Bishop in high esteem. From a long personal acquaintance, we learned to regard him with the warmest feelings of regard, as an upright, good man, possessed of considerable more than ordinary intelligence and ability, and moved by the nobler impulses of human nature.

A DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.
SALT LAKE CITY VISITED BY A CALAMITY.

About ten minutes after midnight this morning flames were seen to suddenly burst out on the premises of Mr. H. B. Clawson, adjacent to the Council House, at the corner of East and South Temple Streets. The alarm was given and the Fire Brigade, with their apparatus, were speedily on the spot and got a couple of streams on the fire as quickly as possible. Walker Bros' Fire Company and that composed of the employees of the Utah Central Railroad were also soon on the ground, and all worked energetically to extinguish the blaze.

There being a large number of sheds on Mr. Clawson's premises, and the wagons and machinery being largely of an inflammable character, the flames spread with great rapidity, catching the Council House at an early stage, and communicating to Savage's Art Gallery and Sorenson & Carlquist's furniture store.

AN EXPLOSION.

Unfortunately Mr. Clawson had stored in an iron cart, or moveable magazine, a quantity of powder. It was located near the gate, at the northwest corner of the grounds, and it appears that no one happened to think of the necessity of wheel-

ing it out on to the street, but when the flames surrounded and the roof of the shed fell in upon it, the danger became apparent to some parties, who shouted to the crowds of people who gathered around to run, as an explosion was inevitable. The warning came none too early, as it occurred almost immediately afterwards, causing a succession of terrific reports that were heard all over town and created general alarm among the citizens, causing thousands who were asleep to awake startled from their slumbers.

When the explosion occurred the sight was grand beyond description. A great mass of flame and burning materials shot high into the air, illuminating the country around for many miles, throwing firebrands in every direction, which fell upon the roofs of buildings, placing them in imminent jeopardy.

The explosion was followed by a crash of glass, the windows of nearly every building within the distance of a block or more, being shivered to atoms. By the concussion, the west end of Savage's Art Gallery and Sorenson & Carlquist's furniture store partially gave way and a portion fell in. Attorney Whittemore, who was removing goods from Mr. Savage's came near being buried in the debris. Mr. Harry World, Mr. Roach, Mr. Dozier, Mr. Farlow and Mr. F. Dunford were in the same building working to save property. The sash and glass of a show window fell upon Mr. Dozier, who received a terrible gash in the head and neck, from which the blood flowed in a copious stream. The writer noted the time when the explosion occurred, being then just half past twelve, nearly twenty minutes after the fire began.

FURTHER SPREAD OF THE FLAMES.

By this time the Council House was in a mass of flame, the loss of that building with the exception of the solid stone walls being a certainty. With nearly all its contents, furniture and appurtenances, including the *Woman's Exponent* office, it was entirely consumed with the exception of the outside or shell. The art gallery was completely destroyed. The buildings of the Excelsior bakery and the small shoe shop occupied by Mr. Rawlings were also damaged so as to be rendered useless. The furniture shops of Sorenson & Carlquist and the premises of Mr. Elias Morris and nearly the whole of their contents were a total loss, while the building occupied by Mr. J. H. Parry and his stock of goods, especially books, were badly damaged. In fact, the building, which is a small one, will not be used again.

THE FIRE LOSSES.

Mr. H. B. Clawson estimated his loss at \$30,000, on which there is an insurance of about \$23,000, everything being gone but the wool room, which is badly damaged, and the stock of wool on hand was saved, although injured by water.

Mr. Robert Dye, proprietor of the building that was occupied by Mr. Sorenson, Mr. Rawlings and Sorenson & Carlquist, estimates his loss at \$3,000; no insurance.

Mr. Sorenson loses \$300 and Mr. Rawlings \$100.

Sorenson and Carlquist lose \$5,500 in stock and \$500 in building improvements, total \$6,000, insured \$3,000.

Mr. Savage estimates his loss at \$12,000, on which there is \$4,000 insurance. This is not including his prospective loss, which cannot be estimated, as his thousands of valuable negatives can never be replaced. To produce them has occupied fifteen years and involved 50,000 miles of travel.

Mr. Elias Morris loses a solid \$8,000 in stock and buildings; no insurance.

The Council House, that old substantial landmark, involves a loss to the Church of not less than \$10,000; no insurance.

This brings the total loss by fire alone to \$87,000, on which there is but an insurance of about \$30,000.

THE TABERNACLE AND TITHING OFFICE.

A sensation was created when it was discovered that the roofs of (Concluded on page 860.)