

**Mushrooms and Toadstools.**—There are many mushrooms and toadstools around Corinne, and the way to distinguish one from the other is by eating the specimens. If you live, it is a mushroom; if you die, it is a toadstool. — *Corinne Record.*

**Superintendents and Teachers.**—By courtesy of President John W. Young, the superintendents and teachers of the Sunday schools of Salt Lake City will have a complimentary excursion over the Utah Western Railroad, to Lake Point and return. It is appointed to come off on Thursday next. The party will be a large one, probably about four hundred strong, and will, doubtless, have a pleasant time.

**The Grand Jury.**—The grand jury of the present term met to-day.

The following are the gentlemen who compose the jury—

Martin K. Harkness, George A. Lowe, George Morrison, Frederick Auerbach, George W. Bostwick, Richard Mackintosh, W. S. Godbe, J. M. Caboon, R. Chamberlain, Hyrum Shurtliff, J. G. Hullinger, Moroni S. Keen, J. B. Benedict, Wm. M. Johns, Christopher Deihl. Mr. M. K. Harkness is the foreman.

At the time the jury was empaneled the Court intimated that it would not be relieved from service until September.

**Masquerade.**—We understand that surprise parties somewhat in the nature of masquerades are coming to some degree in vogue. The parties making the surprise bedeck themselves in sheets and pillowslips, presenting a very ghostly appearance. We have powerful doubts as to the propriety or sensibleness of such affairs, but of course different people have various ideas of propriety, amusement and genuine sociability, and of course can carry them out when the performances are of a private character. When parties of people, "guised" in the manner before mentioned, pass along the public street the matter assumes somewhat the nature of a nuisance, and in that form should be met with interference from the proper quarter. If parties given to such exhibitions would only reflect, they would see that their appearance upon the streets at night, dressed in such unseemly and fantastic style, presents a spectacle calculated to operate upon the nerves and work an injury, under some circumstances, to ladies who might happen to meet them.

**Weather Report.**—May 18th.

**Provo.**—Snowing and very disagreeable.

**Nephi.**—Snowed some last night, but it is gone now, very cloudy.

**Pittman.**—Snowed some last night, cloudy now.

**Sandy.**—Raining and cloudy.

**Springville.**—It has been snowing all night, cloudy and is still snowing.

**American Fork.**—It is very cold and windy, with light snow falling.

**Bingham.**—It snowed two inches last night, raining now.

**Alta.**—Five inches of new snow, mowing still.

**Wasatch.**—Snowing and very cold.

**Monroe.**—Snowed about one inch last night, cold and cloudy.

**Richfield.**—Cloudy and cold, a little snow last night.

**Moroni.**—Cloudy, rather cold, light fall of snow last night.

**Manti.**—It snowed last night, cloudy and cold.

**Gunnison.**—It snowed last night, cloudy and cold.

**Mount Pleasant.**—It snowed last night a little, but looks as if it would clear off this morning.

**Ogden.**—Snowing like fury, very windy.

**Logan.**—It snowed two inches last night, snow mostly gone now, very cloudy.

**Kaysville.**—It is snowing very fast, wind blowing.

**Corinne.**—Cloudy and calm, has been snowing a little this morning, mowed three inches yesterday, cloudy and looks like rain very soon.

**Paris, Idaho.**—Cloudy and cold, wind blowing, had some snow yesterday.

**Farview.**—Cloudy, stormed last night.

**Spring City.**—Snowed a little last night, but it is very fine now.

**Ephraim.**—Cloudy and cold, mowed a little last night.

**Fountain Green.**—Cold and cloudy.

**Payson.**—Cold and cloudy.

**Brigham City.**—It snowed about three inches last night, still snowing.

**York.**—Cloudy now, snowed last night.

**Beaver.**—Very wintry.

**Pioche, Nevada.**—Cold and cloudy.

#### EDITORIAL NOTES.

—It took Scotchmen to scotch the sea-serpent.

—The London correspondent of the *New York Times* says Mr. Vanderweyde has discovered a light by which photographs can be taken in the night as well as the day. "The expense of using the new light is not more than 10 cents an hour for six operating rooms, and the rapidity of production is something wonderful."

—The Methodist ministers remonstrated against dancing, and accordingly "the regents of the University of Michigan recently decided that there must be no dancing this year at the senior reception, which is held in the University Hall on the evening before commencement. The seniors, in their turn, have voted not to have any reception, and not to pay for the music at the commencement."

—The *Omaha Bee* of May 15 says, "Incendiarism is again rampant in Omaha, and we hope the city council will authorize Mayor Wilber to offer a liberal reward for the apprehension of the scoundrels who are deliberately and maliciously setting fire to private residences and storehouses in the heart of this city. Unless active and energetic measures are taken for the suppression of incendiarism, we shall awaken some morning to find Omaha a heap of ashes and ruins."

—The *Washington Star* of May 12 says of Marshal Fred Douglass: "Alluding to the report of his speech and the excitement in reference thereto—'It is all a tempest in a tea-pot.' He added that the Baltimore papers had studiously avoided what he said to the credit of Washington, and everything that could be construed into a reflection had been made prominent. The lecture, he said, was the same he delivered here two years ago, at which time it was reported and commented on favorably by the press—the *Chronicle* and the *Republican*. He may have been mistaken as to some of his statements, but what he had stated was his opinion. Some of the papers had been so violent that he did not care to notice them, but he would state his position more particularly in writing."

—The *New York Sun* says Edward Joseph Gomers, a delicate lad of thirteen, died of typhoid fever, incurred by a drenching given him by three of his school classmates six weeks previously. It appears that one cold rainy day, Herbert Peck, Charles Conklin, and Frederick Woodworth took Gomers' umbrella from him, and pulled him under a stream of water which was flowing through the gutter of the wooden awning of a grocery. They held him while the water poured down his back. A crowd of idlers laughed at the grimaces the boy's sufferings caused. Edward Gomers went home drenched to his skin. He was seized with a fever a day or two afterwards, from which he did not rally. For some days before his death Gomers was delirious, and piteously cried out, mentioning his playmates' names, and asking them not to hurt him. He said frequently, "Don't let the water run on my shoulder; I don't feel well."

—In pursuing the matter of the Lawrence-Townley estate in England, valued at \$500,000,000, it is said that the Lawrences have obtained a complete historical record from the middle of the twelfth to the middle of the eighteenth century. "The founder of the house, Sir Robert Lawrence, was born in Rome in 1150, but removed to Lancashire, served with distinction in the Crusades, and in 1191 was knighted and received a grant of Ashton Hall. The Lawrences and Townleys intermarried, and subsequently two other large estates were acquired by the marriage of a female Townsley with Sir Francis Howard (afterward Lord Effingham) of Corby Castle, and of a male Townley with the daughter of William, Lord Widdington. Toward the end of the seventeenth century a Miss Townley eloped with one of the Lawrences, and was disinherited by her angry father; her mother, however, held in her own name and bequeathed her property to her daughter. The girl and her lover came over to the colonies, their descendants settling in New England and Nova Scotia. The last descendant clearly made out is one Triphenia Lawrence, from whom the descent of any American claimant must be demonstrated."

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#### Correspondence.

Rain and Snow—Good Crops, etc.

ST. GEORGE, May 10, 1877.

Editor *Deseret News*.

Six or eight weeks ago our hopes were nearly blasted in relation to raising grain this year, as no snow or rain to any amount had fallen for one year, and the season came for melting of snow, but as there was no snow the creeks refused to rise, and some of our ditches were dry early in March, but of late snow on the mountains and rain in Dixie have revived our drooping spirits. Our grain is heading out fine and we are busy making hay while the sun shines out brightly. The mowers are at work in the lucern fields and the people are more than pleased with their lucern crops. If I were to write all that can be said in truth in favor of this crop, few would believe me. The roots go so deep in the soil that winter irrigation alone will make us several crops, and if watered once each time of cutting, that is sufficient, and we get four good crops a year in this climate. I will say to the people in the north that wish to travel this way, come on, we will furnish you all the hay you want at fair prices and take flour in exchange. The late frosts nipped our grapes a little, but we have excellent prospects for abundant crops of grapes and all kinds of fruit, including almonds and figs.

All is peace and the people are generally attending to their crops, while the miners around about are digging up the earth a little, but no great excitement is produced.

Truly yours,  
J. W. CROSBY.

United Working Companies—Sickness and Death—A Veteran—Daily Mail—Rain.

ST. GEORGE, May 7, 1877.

Editor *Deseret News*:

Presidents McAllister, Jones, and Eyring have gone up the Rio Virgen, visiting Toquer, Virgen City, and Rockville, organizing united working companies.

The woodworkers of St. George and the painters have organized partially, electing M. P. Romney as superintendent. They expect to be in working order next week. This company includes carpenters, joiners, cabinet-makers, coopers, wagon-makers and painters. A foreman will be appointed to take charge of each department, the whole being directed by one superintendent. The future will prove the benefits of such an organization, if wisdom is manifested in its working operations. The intention is to hold a meeting this week to complete the organization.

There has been considerable sickness here of late, principally lung diseases, caused no doubt by the unusually large amount of rain that has fallen here this spring. Several deaths have occurred. Among the number who have left us is the aged and much respected veteran, Miles Romney, who suddenly departed this life at 5:30 on the morning of the 3rd. He was one of the first to receive the gospel in England, joining the Church in Preston during Elder Kimball's first mission to Europe, and from that hour to the present he has been filled with faith in the principles of the gospel, being firm as a rock, and fearless in obeying the counsel of the priesthood. A great portion of his life was spent in laboring on the public works. He labored faithfully on the Nauvoo Temple and remained behind until it was completed. He had few if any superiors in his line of business in Utah and the St. George Tabernacle and Temple are living monuments of his executive ability. The men who labored under his direction always loved him. The last work of his life was to labor in the Temple for his dead ancestry, which seemed to give him great satisfaction, and we remember hearing him remark, the last

day he labored there, "I feel that my work is done. I am ready to depart when the providences of God shall call me. I anticipate the change of worlds with a great deal of pleasure." The gospel had taken the fear of death from him, and he passed away without a struggle, a smile upon his countenance, as if to say, "Happy change, I am satisfied." During the last few years of his life, he had suffered much pain, and breathed with considerable difficulty. His life was a worthy example to the sons he has left behind to represent him. May he rest in peace till the angel of God shall sound the trump of the first resurrection, in the hope of which he died.

The prospect for fruit here is very good, our trees and vines being loaded to their utmost capacity.

We are now blessed with a daily mail, which is a great benefit to our citizens since it started.

The weather is pleasant. Last night a gentle rain fell, making the green foliage beautiful and all nature smilingly lively.

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#### We Denounce and Discredit the Whole Story.

The fact that the government is ordering reinforcements and fresh distribution of troops to the various military garrisons in Utah, will give color of truth to the reports concerning contemplated resistance by force of arms to the Federal authorities in that Territory.

But we denounce and discredit the whole story. We do not believe there is the slightest ground for the story that the cool-headed and far-seeing religious ruler of the Mormon people is in any way connected with any such foolhardy scheme. But there is this about it, if the Federal power in Utah undertakes, as the man McKean undertook, to outlaw the Mormon people by overriding the laws under which they are entitled to protection of life, liberty and property equally with other citizens of the Union, there will be a terrible time in the Salt Lake Valley.

If Brigham Young, or any other man, has been guilty of murder or other crime in Utah, let him be punished for it according to law. As Grant said of the whisky rascals, we say of the Mormons, "Let no guilty man escape." But men, neither Brigham Young, nor any other man, must be either indicted, convicted or punished for capital or other crime in Utah, unless it can be done in obedience to laws under which other men besides Mormons are held accountable for criminal offences. Courts must not be organized, juries must not be packed, to either imprison or hang men, whether innocent or guilty. Any such programme as was broached by General Kimball at a late meeting in Salt Lake City, if it is attempted to be carried out, will see not one stone standing upon another in Utah. — *Omaha Herald*, May 17.

What's the use of crying over spilled milk? It only makes it more watery.

A little girl suffering from the mumps, declares that she "feels as though a headache had slipped down into her neck."

"Don't you think," she inquired, aimably, "that most men are possessed of a devil?" He said he thought they were, particularly after they were married. — *Norwich Bulletin*.

Some wonderfully smart fellow has just determined the difference between an editor and his wife. He says one writes articles to set and the other sets articles to rights.

At a restaurant the guest called the waiter to him and remarked: "This goose with wine sauce would be most palatable but for a slight mistake—the age is in the goose, and not in the wine."

#### DIED.

At Smithfield, Cache Co., May 6th, 1877 of consumption, ELIZABETH A., wife of Thomas G. Winn, aged thirty-seven years and nineteen days.

#### Wonders of Modern Science.

The perfect accuracy with which scientists are enabled to deduce the most minute particulars in their several departments, appears almost miraculous if we view it in the light of the early ages. Take for example the electro magnetic telegraph—the greatest invention of the age. Is it not a marvelous degree of accuracy which enables an operator to exactly locate a fracture in a submarine cable nearly three thousand miles long? Our venerable "clerk of the weather" has become so thoroughly familiar

with those most wayward elements of nature that he can accurately predict their movements. He can sit in Washington and foretell what the weather will be to-morrow in Florida or New York, as well as if several hundred miles did not intervene between him and the places named. And so in all departments of modern science, what is required is the knowledge of certain signs. From these the scientists deduct accurate conclusions regardless of distance. A few fossils sent to the expert geologist enable him to accurately determine the rock-formation from which they were taken. He can describe it to you as perfectly as if a cleft of it were lying on his table. So also the chemist can determine the constitution of the sun as accurately as if that luminary were not ninety-five million miles from his laboratory. The sun sends certain signs over the "infinite of space" and the chemist classifies them by passing them through the spectroscope. Only the presence of certain substances could produce these solar signs. So also, in medical science, diseases have certain unmistakable signs, or symptoms, and, by reason of this fact, Dr. Pierce, of the World's Dispensary, has been enabled to originate and perfect a system of determining, with the greatest accuracy, the nature of chronic diseases without seeing and personally examining his patients. He has spared neither pains nor expense, to associate with himself, as the Faculty of the World's Dispensary, a large number of medical gentlemen of rare attainments and skill—graduates from some of the most famous Medical Colleges and Universities of both Europe and America. By aid of Dr. Pierce's system of diagnosis, these physicians and surgeons annually treat, with the most gratifying success, many thousands of invalids without ever seeing them in person. In recognizing diseases without a personal examination of the patient they claim to possess no miraculous powers. They attain their knowledge of the patient's disease by the practical application of well established principles of modern science to the practice of medicine. And it is to the accuracy with which this system has endowed them that they owe their almost world-wide reputation for the skillful treatment of all lingering or chronic affections. This system of practice and the marvelous success which has been attained through it, demonstrate the fact that diseases display certain phenomena, which being subjected to scientific analysis or synthesis, furnish abundant and unmistakable data to guide the judgment of the skillful practitioner right in determining the nature of diseased conditions. The amplest resources for treating lingering or chronic diseases, and the greatest skill, are thus placed within the easy reach of every invalid, however distant he or she may reside from the physicians making the treatment of such affections a specialty. The peculiarities of this scientific system of practice are fully explained in the Appendix of "The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser"—a book of over nine hundred large pages, which is so popular as to have reached a sale of almost one hundred thousand copies within a few months of its first publication. It is sent (post-paid) by the Author to any address on receipt of one dollar and fifty cents. Address, R. V. Pierce, M. D., World's Dispensary, Buffalo, N.Y.

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#### STOLEN.

ONE Sorrel Horse, 7 years old, branded S F the S commencing at and connecting with the F at the centre, white spot in forehead and on nose.

Also one sorrel mare MULE, twelve years old, an illegible brand on left shoulder, no lar mark d.

These animals were stolen from the wood yard, Salt Lake City, on Wednesday night, May 16th, and when taken had harness on.

Any person that can give any information that will lead to the recovery of these animals will be rewarded by calling on or communicating with

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Grantsville, Tooele County, Utah.  
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