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Local and Other Matters.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, MAR. 15.

Four Days.—Bishop Sharp was four days in the snow blockade. The detained passengers on the U. P. R. R. were made as comfortable as the circumstances would admit, which made the delay much less irksome to them than it would otherwise have been.

Brigham City.—The Brigham City Dramatic Association has recently been giving performances in the settlements of Malad Valley, in aid of the building fund of the new woolen factory. They were everywhere being greeted by crowded houses.

Well Known Citizen.—We observe from the *Territorial Enquirer* that Elder Stephen Markham, an old and well known citizen of Utah, died last Sunday, at Spanish Fork. He had reached the age of seventy-eight years. The funeral services over the remains were conducted, at the meeting house of the settlement named, last Tuesday.

Mould on Gooseberries.—Bro. Chas. I. Kempe, of Richfield, Sevier, complains that the small fruits, which are the only kind that can be raised at present in that region, are spoiled every year by mould, and he would be thankful if some of our fruit growers would suggest a remedy. Gooseberries in particular are spoiled by this disagreeable fungus. Who can enlighten him?

Delicate Operation.—On Wednesday Dr. Anderson, assisted by Dr. Richards, performed a delicate operation upon a three-year old son of Mr. John C. Graham. The little fellow had suffered for some time with a tumor on the back of one of his eyes. The operation consisted of the removal of the eye and the tumor. We understand the little patient is doing well.

Canals.—In addition to the canal in course of construction from Parley's Creek northward, to water the bench land southeast of the city, another is being made from the same stream, running in an opposite direction.

All the available farming land is being gradually reclaimed by the introduction upon it of the potent element, water, combined with the effective labors of the sturdy sons of toil, of whom Utah has her full share.

Third Anniversary.—Last evening the Young Ladies' Mutual Improvement Association of the Thirtieth Ward held its third anniversary, at the house of Mrs. C. J. Thomas. The members of the Society rendered some pleasing exercises in the form of essays, recitations, etc. Miss E. R. Snow and Mesdames Woodruff, Horne, Howard and others delivered brief addresses.

The affair concluded by the party partaking of a sumptuous supper.

Levnetslob.—The next number of "Joseph Smith's Levnetslob" which is the 10th, will contain the whole of the 13th and the six first pages of the 14th chapter, the contents of which are as follows:

Spring Hill or Adam-ondi-Ahman—The Garden of Eden, etc.—The cornerstone of the House of the Lord at Far West is Laid—An Important Revelation Concerning the Twelve—The City of DeWitt is founded—The Saints at Kirtland go up to Missouri in a Camp Capacity, where the Alarm-bell of Mobocracy again is Ringing for Renewed persecutions against the Saints—A Combat by Gallatin—Judge Black makes a Peace Declaration—Joseph and Lyman Wight.

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Missionary Work.—Elder Edward Stevenson writes from Shady Grove, Hickman County, Tennessee. He and Elder Hyrum Clark are laboring in that part. The branch of the Church there numbers 17. It was organized by Elder H. G. Boyle. There is another small branch, at a place called Totty's Bend. It was organized by Elders Sharp and Argyle. A man and woman were recently baptized there. The people come to meeting at night over the "clay hills" carrying torches to light them on their way. Many of the houses in that part of the country have no windows, rendering them particularly cold and airy in winter.

Elders Stevenson and Clark are laboring assiduously, holding meetings and preaching at every available opportunity.

The Chicken Nuisance.—People who own chickens and other fowls in the city should keep them shut up. A great many people are annoyed and exasperated by having their garden seeds scratched out and picked up by stray chickens. They also destroy young, tender, growing vegetation. If the owners of fowls will observe the law in regard to the matter a good deal of petty trouble and ill-feeling will be avoided. For the benefit of both parties, those who annoy and those who are annoyed, we quote the ordinance:

"All fowls, such as turkeys, ducks, geese and hens, found running at large at any time between the 1st day of March and the 1st day of October, shall be forfeited to and shall be liable to be killed by any person upon whose premises they may be found trespassing."

Welch Emigration Fund.—Last night Elder Elias Morris and Bishop R. V. Morris returned from a trip to Malad Valley in the interest of the proposed fund to aid the poor Saints in Wales to emigrate. They attended meetings in the settlements, were listened to by large congregations, and they were everywhere most cordially received. They formed a committee in each settlement to operate in the interest of the fund and to keep up communication with Morris & Evans of this city.

The brothers Morris had an excellent time; hundreds of old associations were renewed, those brethren having been extensively known in the earlier times of the Church in Wales.

Elder Elias Morris informs us there is no snow in Malad, and the farmers are busy plowing. The settlers are not likely to be troubled with grasshoppers the coming season, there being no egg deposits in the valley. The past two years their crops were destroyed by those destructive insects. Malad City is being rapidly improved.

There is yet plenty of room in Malad Valley for people to make themselves homes. Among the late settlers is Brother Charles Crabtree, formerly in the employ of the late President B. Young.

Journalistic Fizzles.—The list of journals that have been born and have died in Utah, more especially in this city, within a comparatively brief period, is quite formidable.

The *Valley Tan*, edited by Stephen De Wolfe, collapsed Feb. 29th, 1869.

The *Mountaineer*, succumbed, we believe, in 1861.

The *Salt Lake Daily Reporter* departed April 10th, 1869.

The *Salt Lake Leader*, E. L. T. Harrison, editor, expired October 25th, 1873.

The *Beaver Enterprise* flickered out a few years ago.

The *Bingham Pioneer* gave its last gasp, after a brief and checkered career, Aug. 23, 1873. Cause—nothing to live on but prospects and promises.

The *Salt Lake Daily Reporter*, edited and published by Aubach, Beadle and Barrett, gave its final kick April 10th, 1869.

The *New Endowment*, published by W. J. Forbes, died of rapid consumption, superinduced by a dearth of ready cash, July 8th, 1873.

The *Salt Lake Daily Journal* went out of sight Aug. 14th, 1873. Cause—an excess of expenditure over income.

The *Daily Press* went under Aug. 17, 1874.

The *College Lantern* got short of oil and wick, and was extinguished May, 1870.

The *Utah Mining Journal* flattered in 1873.

The *Keepapitchinin* was pitched out of journalistic existence in 1870. As its editor's announced intention was to publish "semi-occasionally," it is liable to resuscitation. After all it may not be dead, but merely sleeping.

The *Footlights* ceased to shine after December 23rd, 1875.

The *Utah County Times* came to a stopping place December 31st, 1875.

The *Weekly Miner* became too weakly to longer exist September 11th, 1876.

The *Utah Evening Mail* became non est June 28th, 1876.

The *Utah Educational Journal* went out of sight August, 1876.

The *Utah Posten* (Scandinavian) was not seen any more after September 5th, 1874.

The *Utah Mining Gazette* made its final exit August 22nd, 1874.

The *Silver Reef Echo* ceased to sound after February 24th, 1877.

Last of all was that short-lived sheet, apparently wanting in vitality, the *Salt Lake Independent*, which disappeared from the journalistic arena March 12th, 1878. As the paper itself made no statement, in its expiring moments, as to the cause of its sudden dissolution, the public are left to infer that it was the potent one of a depleted exchequer.

Besides the foregoing there were the *Daily Telegraph*, *Ogden Times*, *Utah Scandinave*, *Corinne Reporter*, *Corinne Journal*, *Beaver Daily Enterprise* and others.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Missionary Labors.

St. Louis, March 5th, 1878.

Editors Deseret News:

As it has been some time since I wrote you, I propose in this communication to give you a very brief account of the missionary labors of Bro. Nels Madsen, Jr., and myself, for some months past. Late in September we visited the Saints in the Pittsburg branch, presided over by Wm. Emerick. They number 13 souls, three of whom are new members. We spent some seven weeks in Pittsburg and vicinity holding in the meantime 14 meetings, with an average attendance of 40 strangers; one or two families believing. While returning from our last evening meeting held at Pittsburg a crowd of young men, who had secreted themselves in the timber by the roadside, gave us a shower of clods as we passed by. We urged upon the Pittsburg saints the great necessity of emigration; with one exception they advertised their farms for sale, with a full determination to gather with the Saints, if possible, the present season.

Taking leave of our friends in the above place, we visited the Saints of Keokuk, Nashville, Nauvoo, and adjacent places, holding meetings in private houses, and also in public halls. Dropping down the river we visited the city of Quincy, where, upon the first night of our arrival, we partook of the hospitality of Mr. N. Pinkham (brother to Sr. Tufts of our city), one of the oldest and wealthiest citizens of the place. Quincy is one of the most pleasant and prosperous cities we have seen on the river, containing some 30,000 inhabitants. Undoubtedly the hand of Providence has been over them for good, because of their kindness to our people who they fled from the persecuting hordes of Missouri in the Spring of 1839. Here we held, by courtesy of the mayor, several meetings in the court house, bearing strong testimonies to the truth of the great latter-day work. At our last meeting we had some 250 strangers present, the majority of whom were

attentive listeners, but there were also many turbulent spirits present, who were not satisfied until they had succeeded in breaking up our meeting.

Spent some two months in Quincy and neighboring villages holding public meetings wherever we could procure a hearing, weather at times being bad, we did much fireside preaching. At Platteville, a Mr. Vining refused us a hearing in his church, (after promising it to us) on the plea that "Where we allow Mormonism to be preached it takes away all our best citizens." What a pity. While in Quincy we searched out six persons who claim to have a standing in the church, all of whom have more or less faith, but they are so tangled up with the world in marriage and business that it seems difficult for them to extricate themselves. They were all very good and kind to us, administering to our temporal necessities, and we feel confident that some of them will yet gather to Zion.

On January 18th I officiated in baptizing in the Mississippi river, ice floating by at the time, a Mr. Tomblinson, of Camp Point, who has long had the name of being one of the best citizens of the place. His wife, son and daughters are good people, and are favorably impressed with the truth. We also have two other applications for baptism as soon as the weather will permit.

All through this section of the country, according to my experience, where the Saints have suffered so much from the hands of their enemies in years gone by, the harvest of souls is over, and even the chances for gleanings are very poor. Nevertheless through the blessings of the Lord, we find and make friends wherever we travel, and now and then a person or family who believe the gospel and are willing to obey it. We find however that all who are convinced of the truth do not have the moral courage to embrace it. James tells us that "the devils believe and tremble" yet they are disobedient, having rebelled against God and his laws. We also find many who are bitterly opposed to the Saints and to gospel truth; who would delight, (judging them by their own words) in seeing every one of our people wiped out of existence. After preaching from the New Testament in a certain village in Illinois, we were waited upon the following morning by a citizen, who assured us that the people were so hostile that it would not be prudent or safe for us to remain in the place another night.

On our arrival in this city Jan. 30th, we found the Saints here generally speaking feeling well in the work, and glad to see us. Since our arrival our time has been occupied in visiting the Saints and others, teaching and preaching in private and public as circumstances would permit. Some few Saints here are preparing to emigrate the present spring. Brother Madsen, who has been my traveling companion now for about 12 months, having been released to return home, left here on the 20th ult. for Brigham City, going by way of Keokuk and Des Moines, in order to visit the Saints those places. He has been a faithful young missionary, and we have had joy in laboring together. His return leaves me without any one to assist me in the ministry. Possibly at Conference time some one will be sent down to assist me in my labors. Your Brother in the gospel.

P. P. PRATT.

NOTICE

In the Probate Court in and for Salt Lake County, Territory of Utah.

In the matter of the Estate of Ann Longstroth, deceased.

To the Creditors of said deceased:

ALL PERSONS having claims against the said deceased, are hereby required to exhibit them, with the necessary vouchers, within ten months after the first publication of this notice, to me the undersigned, at my residence in the 14th Ward, Salt Lake City.

JOS. S. RICHARDS,
Administrator of said estate.
March 15th, 1878. d & w