

Grande Western's officials and today learned that it would be convenient for you to be with us on Tuesday, June 2nd.

Our committee met for the first time tonight and fixed June 2nd as the day of our celebration. You will pardon our delay in sending you a formal invitation to be present when you are made aware that it was wholly due to the uncertainty concerning the definite time of holding our celebration. Now the truth is but half told when, I inform you that the heart of Richfield is set upon the attendance on that occasion of your excellency and other State officials. All our arrangements, past and future, have been and shall be made with reference to your presence and convenience.

Our exercises throughout shall be entirely informal, but we hope none the less pleasant to our guests of that day.

Your being with us on this gala day will do us great honor and the only favor we ask is that you extend a most cordial welcome in our behalf to your entire cabinet and all State officers. For that matter we shall feel inflated enough to hold the whole of Salt Lake on that occasion but dispense with the formality of separate invitations to each and only ask you to act for us in extending a universal welcome.

Very truly,

JOHN MEYER,  
Chairman.

## THE POWER OF HURTING OTHERS.

Perhaps of all the powers that we possess, the one of which we are generally the least conscious is the power of hurting other people. We do not here refer to the rank and patent injustice which ruthlessly robs men of life, liberty or possessions; but of the thousand petty pin-pricks which we so frequently inflict upon one another without any deliberate intention of being unkind, and often without realizing at all what we are doing. Indeed, the power of helping and that of hurting are often both developed in the same person; and while he is fully aware of the former, and gladly exercises it, he has no idea how actively the latter is engaged in exactly the contrary direction. Perhaps he is interested in the work of benevolence. He likes to relieve poverty and suffering, to promote education, to encourage merit, and he is generous with his money and his efforts in all these endeavors. Yet he is constantly hurting those whom he helps, wounding their independence, interfering with their privacy, roughly reproofing their faults, and exacting from them an obedience and a gratitude which they do not feel disposed to give. That he is unaware of this does not prevent its stinging, unfortunately; and his really kind intentions generally disincite any one from enlightening him. The one that is made of authority is often of this nature.

The father of a family loves his children, and would lay down his life for them. He provides for them generously, educates them liberally, and is their support in every emergency. Yet in little things, without intending it, he is often cruel. He may be unnecessarily authoritative and peremptory, or he may forbid the natural

amusements of youth, or give hasty reproofs and outlying sarcasms, or assume a coldness which pains and a dignity which repels them. Yet of all this he may be unconscious, and when he finds them growing up to fear and alien him he is grieved and astonished. In a similar way some of the most conscientious teachers estrange their pupils, and not a few employers alienate those who work for them, while in the meantime they feel quite sure that the fault of the enmity lies wholly on the other side. Generally they fall with heaviest weight on the household or on intimate companions, before whom no self-restraint is maintained. Without any intention such persons are perpetually stinging and wounding their best friends and destroying the peace and harmony of life. Some people see faults all too freely. They never hesitate to reproach and censure and that in no guarded or felicitous manner.

It is a duty to think of and for others, in small things as well as great, to study their feelings, to cultivate sympathy, forbearance, good will, tenderness. We ought not to remain in ignorance where the happiness of those around us is concerned. We should acquaint ourselves with the means of adding to it, and with the habits which disturb it, and order our conduct accordingly. It is quite possible to cherish fine and keen perceptions of other people's feelings, and thus to discover how we are affecting them by our conduct. Let us, then, ever bear in mind that this power of hurting others is one which needs continual check. It is a weed that, left to itself, will grow rank and strong, disfiguring the character and poisoning the life. Let it be searched for and rooted out, leaving room for the growth of all the sweet and gracious instincts, the sympathy, the insight and the love which at once elevate and purify, while they rejoice and bless all who come within their happy influence.

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## UTAH WEATHER AND CROPS.

The weather during the week ending Monday, May 18, 1896, was cold and stormy with rain, hail and snow throughout the central and northern sections during the forepart of the week. Damaging frosts occurred from the 12th to the 16th, doing much damage to the fruit and vegetable crops in the northern portion of the State. Light frost occurred at St. George, Washington county, on the morning of the 12th.

The outlook for fruit this season is not very encouraging as a great deal of it has already been killed, especially apricots, peaches, cherries, plum and strawberries. In the extreme northern counties potatoes above ground were frozen, and lucern clipped, on the 15th and 16th. The stable crops are reported as looking well and in a satisfactory condition, but the prevailing cold weather has retarded growth in all sections. Everything is at a standstill, and vegetation is at least one month backward.

Holden — Fine weather the last week, but cold and windy every day with frost every night, which has retarded the growth of vegetation.

Planting about all done. The cold weather is keeping our water back in the mountains.

New Harmony — May 8th and 10th cold and stormy; 11th and 12th windy and cold; 13th, 14th and 15th, warm and pleasant.

Pint — Sleet and snow on the night of 7th, done a great deal of good to the range and crops; snow and rain on the 9th and 10th at intervals; crops making slow progress; some of the grain very thin on account of so much wind and dry weather.

Scipio — Cold days and frosty nights. Fruit all killed. The rain good for grain, but good weather needed; prospects for grain some better.

St. George — Frost on very early morning of 10th; very light touch of frost in a few places early morning of 12th.

Coalville — Cold and stormy all the week. Wheat growing slowly; rhu-barb and other things froze; grass improving.

Harrisville — The week has been stormy and cold with frost four nights in succession, damaging berries and tender plants. Farm work much impeded. All crops are greatly in need of warmer weather.

Plymouth — The week ending on May 17th was some better for the growth of crops than the one previous. Snow on the 15th; crops growing very slow.

Cache Junction — The last week very stormy; rain, hail and snow every night; wheat growing slowly.

Newton — Stormy and cold as winter the past week; frost nearly every night; showers of rain and hail frequent; no work going on; no potatoes planted; shade trees leafing out; fruit buds swelling, but we are afraid that the hard frost will kill them. Everything growing very slow; gardens not in yet.

Portage — A cold and generally stormy week with heavy frost on the 13th, 14th, 15th and 16th.

Paysd — Cold, calm, cold; too cold for anything to grow; very cloudy and windy; sun seldom shines.

Pleasant Grove — The cold weather has done lots of damage to apricots and early fruit. Rain and snow first of week and it froze ice at night. Lucern and grain backward.

Tooele — The unreasonable weather is more like a change of climate than anything I know of. Some patches of oats that just started seem to have been forced back into the ground again as they do not look as well by 50 per cent as they did before the storm of a week ago.

Lake Shore — Warm weather is needed for growth of crops; sugar beets not doing well; some replanting again; irrigating lucern; peas, radish, onions and other garden truck growing good.

Heber — Another cold disagreeable week. Vegetation about at a standstill; seeding about completed. Very cold winds from the west about all week. One inch of snow morning of the 14th; snowing again today, Sunday the 17th. Fruit trees have not advanced any since last week when said trees were in bloom at this date last year.

Utah — Five more days of rain and snow this week; frost on 12th; killing frost and ice the 15th and 16th; straw-