

of all who were in his vicinity, and to disgust decent people, "Mormons" and non-"Mormons." We took occasion, in this paper, to administer a mild rebuke to the bad-mannered minister without naming him, and with the hope that he might be induced on future occasions, either to behave with common decorum, or to keep away from a place of worship in which he could only make himself an object of contempt.

Last evening this person delivered himself of an exceedingly intemperate harangue on the subject of polygamy, and endeavored to arouse the passions of his auditors against the "Mormons." He avowed that he would "stand it no longer," and called for the use of "the knife to cut off these excrescences from the body politic."

We would advise the hot-headed orator to keep cool. If he can't "stand it any longer," he had better sit down, and reflect upon the most Christian and reasonable method of overcoming that which he thinks, or pretends to think, such a flagrant wrong. The great Author of the true Christian religion advised his followers to "overcome evil with good." Supposing he were to set a better example to his co-religionists—who have been trying for nearly half a century to cut out "Mormonism" with carnal weapons like "the knife," and to overcome it with various kinds of evil—and change the method by showing us the superiority of his creed to ours, and the great good that lies hidden in the sectarian denominations. It would be a new departure, and might be more fruitful of results. We assure him he will accomplish nothing by getting into a rage or stirring up an audience into a fury. We are not to be driven as aforesaid, and if he feels that he cannot stand "Mormonism" any longer, he has full liberty to take a seat in a railroad car—on payment of his fare—and flee, if he pleases, even unto the mountains of Hepsidam. Or he might return unto the mighty city of the East, where there are more prostitutes and their supporters flourishing under the shadows of "Christian" church steeples, than the entire population of Utah monogamists and polygamists together; there he may be able as of yore to "stand it" without a twinge, and far from the quiet city of the Saints, sing the praises of great Cant, while he shuts his eyes to the sins which make his loved "Christian" society reek to heaven with a worse odor than arose from Sodom and Gomorrah. We will donate a nickel towards his return expenses—when the collection plate is passed.

Local and Other Matters

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, Oct. 25.

New Election.—A new election to fill the office of County Collector is to be held in Weber County, the person formerly chosen to that position having failed to qualify. So we learn from the Junction.

Farm-Hand Wanted.—Mr. Geo. Barnett, of North Ogden, Weber County, wishes to let his farm out on shares. A good, industrious farm hand, one with a wife preferred, can get employment by communicating with him. Here is a good chance for some one.

Third District Court.—Proceedings in the District Court yesterday, Chief Justice Schaeffer presiding: J. P. Wretburg vs. Mineral Fork Mining Company; jury trial; after the testimony for the plaintiff was in, the defense made a motion for a non-suit, which was overruled; evidence for defense in progress.

James Wilson vs. McCloskey et al.; defendant allowed to file amended answer.

Court adjourned till this morning at 9.30 o'clock.

This morning in the case of John P. Writburg et al. vs.; the Mineral Fork Silver Mining Company; trial by jury resumed. Testimony for defense still being received.

Chance for Work.—Brother William H. Anderson, of Portage, Box Elder County, in response to an article that appeared in the NEWS some time ago, advising persons out of employment to go into the country, writes that he will furnish a good Latter-day Saint with farm work immediately. He has 160 acres of land, about 16 or 20

acres broken, and 10 or 20 that can be broken, with seed and everything ready for a man to go to work and put in the fall crop. Bro. Anderson is so engaged that he has not the necessary time to work his land, but will furnish a man with every requisite implement and accommodation. He has plenty of cows and other stock, and would prefer a young man; a newly married couple would suit very well, however, or a man with a larger family. Only, in the latter case, the man would have to put up a house of his own, as Brother Anderson says he has no room to spare, for an extra family. Any person with the necessary requirements, may learn further of this matter by consulting Brother Anderson in person or by letter. The sooner the better.

Smoking.—This pernicious habit is becoming alarmingly prevalent among the young. Not only is it to be seen as a characteristic of the bootblack and the street gamin, but in the more suburban districts, it is fast becoming a debasing practice with the smallest boys that play around out of doors. Almost any day, we may see groups of them, gathered on the door steps or in the yard of a district school house, after "school is out," rolling cigarettes and smoking them with all the complacency and assurance that characterize the habitual devotee of this practice.

We had occasion to notice this a few days ago, in one of the lower wards of the city. Several very small boys had convened on the back steps of the school house, "to have a smoke." Two or three seemed to be "old offenders," from the way they puffed and blew the clouds of smoke into the air, while others, who were waiting for a "turn," or had already had it, and were taking a turn of another description, on the ground, were evidently but ambitious beginners. On being kindly remonstrated with concerning the wasteful, poisonous practice they were indulging in, some appeared guiltily conscious; others impudently confident of their course; expressing themselves to the effect that they should "do as they pleased," or that "father smoked and it didn't hurt him," etc., and in various ways justifying their action in the matter.

This is a good theme for the home missionary. Parents should be spoken to regarding this condition of things. If they value the health or morals of their children, they will not knowingly permit them to destroy and vitiate either, by indulgence in the foolish and wicked habit of tobacco using. And let teachers use every means to put a stop to the scenes that are so common around their school-houses and among the pupils under their control.

New Sorghum Seed.—Brother Anson Call, of Bountiful, called, to-day, with a specimen of sugar cane seed which is a new variety in Utah. He received some of the seed from Washington, last spring, and has tried it on his farm in Davis County. He says it is adapted for high altitudes, and matures a month earlier than any other kind. The canes are small, but full of saccharine matter, and the molasses made from it is of very superior quality. Following is the description given on the sample received from Washington:

Early Minnesota Amber Sorghum. "This variety of sorghum is said to have originated in Minnesota, and is supposed to have been the result of accidental hybridization. It is claimed to be a distinct and well defined variety, and very rich in saccharine matter. The crop of this season yielded one gallon of twelve pound syrup to the square rod of the cane. This syrup granulated as high as seven pounds of sugar to the gallon. Requires same culture as corn.

"The object of this distribution is to disseminate new species and extend those that have proved of sectional value. It is therefore indispensable that the department be advised as to the results of experiments."

Bro. Call has left with Bishop Hunter at the Tithing Office two sacks of the seed, which those desiring to plant may have, gratis, on application. He thinks that on our rich lands in the lower valleys the Minnesota will not produce quite as much molasses as some other kinds, but its early ripening renders it valuable to settlers in the upper valleys. He says if frost touches it after the stalk is grown and before the seed is ripe, it will not be injur-

ed, but good molasses can be produced from it.

Bro. Call's only object in recommending the seed is the good of the public. Any one who introduces an improvement in any branch of agriculture or other industry is a public benefactor.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY, Oct. 16.

Home Mission.—The Home Missionaries of this State are requested to meet at the Council House, on Wednesday evening, the 30th inst., at 7 o'clock.

High Council.—The members of the High Council of this State are requested to meet at the Council House, on Wednesday morning, the 30th inst., at 10 o'clock.

W. W. TAYLOR, Clerk.

District Court.—Proceedings in the District Court yesterday afternoon, Chief Justice Schaeffer presiding:

J. P. Wretburg et al. vs. Mineral Fork Mining and Smelting Company; jury trial; testimony closed.

Hans Anderson and Charles B. Donken were admitted to citizenship.

Court adjourned till this morning at 9.30 o'clock.

Museum.—We were shown to-day a one-dollar note of the Desert National Bank of Salt Lake City, being No. 1 of the issue of the series of dollar bills, dated November 15th, 1872, C, signed by Brigham Young as president of that bank and L. S. Hills as cashier. The note is numbered D 345872-C, U. S. currency. It is now presented to the Museum by the curator, together with some other curiosities in currency.

Another Fire.—This morning, about half past 4 o'clock, the Great Western Hotel building was discovered to be on fire, the flames originating, as usual, from a defective flue passing through the roof. The fire brigade was at work on the blazing building a short time after the bell was sounded, and worked faithfully for three hours, at the expiration of which time the flames were entirely subdued. The damage sustained is considerable, the whole building, from Faubel's butcher shop to the Idaho Store, kept by Mr. Joo. W. Snell, being completely stripped of furniture and chattels, and deluged with water.

A considerable portion of the goods, bedding and furniture, however, was carried into the streets and thus saved. The lower part of the building is not damaged by fire, though the furniture being torn out and the water dripping through, gives it an appearance almost as dreary as the burned portion; the second floor is more or less shattered and spoiled, while the third floor and roof are a mass of charred and dripping ruins. No one was hurt during the fire, although a portion of the roof fell upon two of the firemen, more to their surprise than injury. The extent of the loss is yet undetermined. Mr. Dan Clift is the proprietor of the building, but it was leased to Mr. Robbins. The place was a mere shell, anyhow, and liable to burn at any time. It would be a good idea to tear it down now, and erect a good substantial building in its stead. There is a rumor to the effect that a two story fire-proof building will be erected on the old site.

Examination.—Yesterday afternoon Mr. John Miles was arrested on a charge of bigamy, the prosecuting witness being Edward C. Brand. The defendant was taken before Commissioner Sprague, and two witnesses were examined for the prosecution—Miss Owen and Angus M. Cannon. The first witness testified to her alleged marriage with Miles. Mr. Cannon said that he had no knowledge of the affair. A continuation was then given until this morning at 11 o'clock, and Mr. Miles was released under bonds in the sum of \$1,500.

In the meantime Miss Owen was taken before Judge Schaeffer under a writ of *habeas corpus*. Allegations were made to the effect that she was unlawfully held or restrained by Mr. Miles and Mr. A. M. Cannon. But those gentlemen, in their answer disclaimed any right or intention to hold or restrain her.

This morning at 11 o'clock the defendant appeared with his counsel, Judge Tilford, before Commissioner Sprague. Miss Dora Young was sworn for the prosecution. The lady testified to a limited acquaint-

ance with Mr. Miles and Miss Owen; also an extended acquaintance with Miss Emily Spencer. Had never heard the defendant acknowledge Miss Spencer as his wife. Was at the Endowment House on Thursday last, and saw a number of people there, among them Mr. Miles and Miss Owen. Saw the defendant take Miss Owen by the hand and kiss her, and the witness inferred from this that they were married. Saw no other action on the part of the defendant.

The witness was thereupon excused.

At the request of the prosecution continuance was granted until two p. m.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY, Oct. 28.

Postal Affairs.—A post office has been established at Brown's Park, Summit County, Utah, with John Parsons as postmaster.

Grateful Acknowledgments.—Mr. John Lawson, of the Eleventh Ward, whose store was burned last Thursday afternoon, desires to thank the members of the fire brigade and the citizens, who assisted in putting out the fire. His loss is not so large as reported, about \$250 will cover it, but that it was not greater, Mr. Lawson gives credit to the energetic efforts of the brigade and others to whom it is due.

Sunday School Jubilee.—The Sunday school jubilee of the 21st Ward, yesterday morning, was well attended by members of the school and their parents, guardians and friends. The exercises were of a various and interesting character, among them was the reading of the 62nd chapter of Isaiah, by a man totally blind, the book he used being of raised stenographic letters. At the close of the exercises, the officers and teachers of the Sunday school presented the superintendent, Brother W. D. Owen, with a handsomely bound copy of the "Life and Travels of P. P. Pratt," as a testimonial of their esteem and confidence. Speeches were made by Brother A. N. Macfarlane, in behalf of the donors, to which Brother Owen responded in a few suitable remarks. Brother H. W. Naisbitt, who was a visitor, also addressed the school. Those who attended were greatly pleased with the success of their first anniversary jubilee.

"Music for the Million."—By advertisement in another column, it will be seen that Dr. Ellen B. Ferguson intends establishing a musical conservatoire on the European plan, by means of which pupils may receive competent instruction, theoretical and practical, in vocal or instrumental music. One of the recommendations of the system in addition to its efficiency is its cheapness. Many in this city who have been desirous of obtaining a musical education, have been deterred from attempting it on account of its expense. Dr. Ferguson offers a term of twenty-four lessons for eight dollars. We advise all who are interested in musical progress, to post themselves on the "Utah Conservatory of Music."

Third District Court.—Proceedings in the District Court on Saturday, Chief Justice Schaeffer, presiding:

P. Wretburg et al., vs. Mineral Fork Mining & Smelting Company; jury trial continued. Argued and verdict for plaintiff.

Sidney Stevens vs. L. P. Beus; motion to vacate judgment heretofore entered and argued, overruled.

Erick Eckstrom was admitted to citizenship.

Court adjourned until this morning at 9.30 o'clock.

This morning, in the case of McKnight vs. Turnbow; plaintiff given twenty days additional time in which to file motion for new trial.

Four cases of the Butte Silver Mining company vs. Wm. F. Blake were dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

Wilson vs. Blake; judgment for plaintiff.

Blake vs. Sowles; dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

Sowles vs. Blake; judgment for plaintiff.

S. P. Longstreet vs. A. D. Wheeler; F. C. Reed having withdrawn, Snow and Snow enter as attorneys for defendant.

Wells, Fargo & Co., vs. George W. Davis; trial by jury in progress. Admitted to citizenship; William Hardcastle, A. Freebairn, and John Strickley.

The Miles Case.—On Saturday afternoon, Counselor D. H. Wells was called for the prosecution. He said that he officiated in the solemnization of marriages in the Endowment House. Was at the House on Thursday, but could not tell if the defendant was there.

The counsel for the prosecution then asked several irrelevant and impudent questions relating to the manner of performing the marriage ceremony and the use of a certain room in the House. Defence objected to the questions, and the objection was sustained. The witness then stated in general terms his acts and his manner of procedure while performing the marriage ceremony in the capacity of a minister. He always asked the parties if they entered into the contract with their own free will and choice. If they answered "no," the ceremony went no farther. He could not remember having called the names of John Miles, Caroline Owen or Emily Spencer on that day; had no memorandum of such names. Joseph F. Smith also solemnized marriages at the Endowment House on Thursday. The witness did not remember having married one person twice on that day. Had previously known a Miss Emily Spencer, but was certain that he did not see her at the Endowment House on Thursday last.

Angus M. Cannon was then placed upon the stand for the prosecution. He testified that on Thursday evening he saw Miss Spencer and Miss Owen at his house. Did not hear Mr. Miles admit that Miss Spencer was his wife. Had never officiated in a marriage at the Endowment House.

At the request of the prosecution a continuance was granted until 10 o'clock this morning.

This morning John T. Caine, jr. was sworn. He was not acquainted with Mr. Miles. On having the defendant pointed out to him, the witness said that he thought he saw him in the north room of the Endowment House on Thursday last. Thinks that the north room was that in which people were registered. The witness went through the House on the day mentioned. George Reynolds performed the registration. There were some 60 or 80 people present. Did not see any person particularly with the defendant, though a lady followed him into the room, and she might have been there with him. Did not know who the lady was, having never heard her name. She was about the medium height, rather strongly built, probably had dark hair and eyes, and a fair large face. This was between 8 and 9 o'clock in the morning. The witness remained in the north room until after the defendant went away. Never saw the defendant at any other time than the one mentioned. Did not see any ceremony performed while the defendant was present. Could not answer what room people went to, after they passed from the north room. The counsel insisted on an answer being given to the question; and, the witness still refusing to reply, the defence objected to the question as being immaterial. After a plain statement by Judge Tilford for the defence, and a long, fierce speech by Judge Van Zile for the prosecution, the objection was sustained by Commissioner Sprague.

Mrs. Kinnie Caine sworn for the prosecution. The lady was at the Endowment House on Thursday last. Had never seen the defendant until he was shown to her on the trial. Did not know, and had never seen ladies called by the names of Emily Spencer, Caroline Spencer, or Julia Spencer.

Court took a recess till 1 o'clock p. m.

George Reynolds placed upon the stand. Had seen the defendant Miles at various times. Saw him on Thursday last at the Church offices, on the street and in the Endowment house. Did not see him engaged in anything particular at the House; he was only standing about with others. On Thursday last, the witness took the names of some of the persons who went through the House on that day. Before the registration was finished witness was called away; and he did not know who completed it. The witness merely wrote the names of person on a piece of paper and did not know what became of the paper after he was called away.

The examination of this witness still continues.