

Local and Other Matters

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY, JULY 13.

Water.—The promised prosecutions for wrong appropriation of irrigation water have commenced. One man was fined \$5 for that kind of thing to-day.

Accident.—This morning an aged lady named Allen, of the 20th Ward, accidentally fell and dislocated her shoulder. The assistance of Dr. Benedict was obtained, and he put the joint in place again. The patient had to be placed under chloroform during the operation.

Hot, Hotter.—The mercury is presuming to cavort among the nineties, very pleasant possibly to an African, but not so agreeable to a Caucasian. This has been one of the hottest days this summer, the thermometer indicating above ninety most of the day in the shade.

The Editorial Party.—The editorial excursion party had a most enjoyable trip from this City yesterday up through American Fork Canyon and back. At Deer Creek an excellent cold collation was provided for them. To-day they went out on the Utah Western, and after enjoying a sail on the *General Garfield* were to return to this City this afternoon, in time to take train and resume their journey towards the Pacific coast.

Court at Beaver.—From our special telegraphic correspondent at Beaver, we learn that the trial of John D. Lee will probably commence on the 15th inst. Many witnesses in the case are already in the town, twenty of whom have addressed a communication to Marshal Maxwell asking for means of subsistence, and that they may be examined at Chambers, in order to enable them the more speedily to return home to attend to their harvest work. The Marshal informed them that mileage and fees were all that he could pay, and that the District Attorney would adopt his own course with regard to taking testimony.

The Late Drowning Case.—Samuel Bateman writes as follows from West Jordan, July 11th—

"The body of George A. Allen, son of the late D. R. Allen, was found, July 9th, at 2 o'clock p. m., by E. Hanks, about seven miles below where he was drowned. Mr. Hanks, with the assistance of Jas. Taylor and Perry Decker, washed the body and took special care of it until the friends came after it.

"The mother and relatives of the deceased, through the *DESERET NEWS*, desire to express their sincere thanks to the above named brethren for the interest they have taken in restoring the body to the bereaved family, and also the community of West Jordan, for the unceasing search kept up during the past week to find the body."

Educational.—At the next term of the University of Deseret, which commences on the 23rd of August, it is expected that fourteen persons whose tuition will be paid for by the County, will attend the normal department for one year, to qualify them for the profession of teachers. We learn, from Superintendent Riggs, that, in order that the fourteen may be selected, it is desired that one representative from each school district in the County should attend a two weeks term of the Normal Institute, commencing on the 2nd of August. The attendant should be not younger than sixteen years of age and pretty well advanced in the common branches of education, and the natural qualification of tact in communicating instruction to others should not be lost sight of. The candidates are required to report at the University building, in this city, on the 2nd of August.

For the Centennial Exhibition.—Mr. William V. Morris, painter, of this city, is preparing a specimen of his handiwork for the great Centennial Fair, to be held next year, at Philadelphia. It will be a representation of all the finer branches connected with house painting—graining, marbling, ornamentation and lettering. The work is being done on a large square of plate glass, three-eighths of an inch thick, and weighing one hundred and twenty-five pounds. The size of the whole specimen, including the frame, will be eight feet wide by ten feet high. The gentleman who is preparing this specimen, being, we believe, unsurpassed in this western country as an artistic house

painter, it may be reasonably expected that the specimen will be a superb one in its line, and one of which Utah will have no reason to be ashamed when it is on exhibition at the great Centennial Exposition. We are pleased to note that one of Utah's best artisans has made a move in the direction indicated.

The Illness of Martin Harris.—From a letter from Martin Harris, Jun., to President Geo. A. Smith, dated Clarkston, Cache Co., July 9, we glean the following particulars of the last illness of Martin Harris—

"I and my family are all well, except my father, and he is very sick at the present time. He is so sick and weak that he cannot sit up in bed. He has no appetite, and has scarcely eaten anything for about a week. About the only thing he will now take is a little cold water, and he does not ask for that, but we give him a little as often as we think that he is able or willing to take it. He was taken sick a week ago yesterday, with some kind of a stroke, or life became so weak and exhausted that he has no use in his limbs. He cannot move, only by our aid. He has continued to talk a little every day till to-day, but now his voice is nearly inaudible. We think that he is gradually failing and that he cannot live much longer, unless some great change for the better takes place. He has continued to talk about and testify to the truth of the Book of Mormon, and was in his happiest mood when he could get somebody to listen to his testimony; if he felt dull and weary at times, and some one would come in and open up a conversation and give him an opportunity of talking, he would immediately revive and feel like a young man for a little while. We begin to think that he has borne his last testimony. The last audible words he has spoken were something about the three witnesses of the Book of Mormon but we could not understand what it was."

A letter from the same to the same, dated the next day, says—

"He died to-night about a quarter to eight o'clock."

The Buttonhole Brigade.

SALT LAKE CITY,
July 13th, 1875.

Editor *Deseret News*:

It is perfectly amusing to witness the excruciating anxiety manifested by the rabid anti-"Mormon" crusading ring element here lest any influential stranger should visit this city and leave it with an impression that the "Mormons" have some virtues. The consequence of this overweening anxiety is that members of the crusading organization wait upon strangers at their hotels and bore them with the stale hashed up trash about "down-trodden women of Utah, ignorance and subserviency of the masses, opposition to free schools, &c." until the listeners, as they frequently express, are sickened and bored beyond endurance.

Those "patriotic" representatives of liberality and free institutions even carry their bigotry and foolish pusillanimity so far as to chide some visitors who choose to put up at a "Mormon" hotel for not going to the hotel of a non-"Mormon," thus voluntarily becoming what they are evidently more fitted for, by nature, capacity and instinct, than anything else—hotel "drummers."

To this kind of gratuitous persecution not a few of the editorial excursion party have had to submit, and which appeared as an insult to the intelligence of those gentlemen, administered by that element of Utah society which has come here to teach the "Mormons" how to keep drinking shops, gambling houses, dens of prostitution and the like, all of which adjuncts of the common order of civilization were comparatively unknown in Utah until the advent of those so-called liberalizers.

Visitors who come here can view the works of the two parties. They can see the results of the works of the "Mormons," forming nine-tenths of the population, the fruits of industry, thrift and intelligence, and then they may look around in vain for the evidences of those virtues on the part of the whole combined "button-hole brigade," and their aiders and abettors, in which are not included the respectable, unostentatious non-"Mormon" cit-

izens, who quietly mind their own business, allowing the "Mormons" to quietly attend to theirs, and thinking it no affair of theirs to dictate to strangers what hotel they shall stop at.

Respectfully,
NON-BUTTONHOLER.

Many people in the Eastern States are saving their vines and plants from destruction by insects by sprinkling upon them buckwheat flour.

NOTICE.

To William Higgins:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT I have expended for you the sum of Twenty (\$20) Dollars for labor performed on the Shoo Fly Lode (East), in Ophir Mining District, Tooele County, Utah Territory, being the amount to be expended by you on your proportion of said lode, and unless the same shall be paid by you within one hundred and eighty days after the date of the first newspaper publication of this notice, to wit, January 20th, 1876, your interest in said lode, or mine, will be forfeited to, and become the property of, myself, by operation of law.

SELAH CHAMBERLAIN.

Salt Lake City, January 18, 1875. w51

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