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A SPLENDID ENTERPRISE.

On Thursday the 12th inst., a very

important movement was decided

upon at a meeting on the sand

ridge, between Kayville and Ogden.

It is well known that a large, fer-

tile region of country slopes from

the mountains in that vicinity

down to a small portion of which

lake, until recently, been brought

into cultivation. There have been

for several years, some farms water-

ed from springs and little stream-

lets close under the mountains. And

by constructing canals from the

Weber in the neighborhood of Ogden

City, water has been conducted to

the strip of country now known

as Hooper City, where the growth

of trees and vegetation is wonder-

ful, and where a thrifty settlement

prosperous near to the lake's edge.

But many thousands of acres were

left unclaimed because of the

lack of water for irrigation, and

although the past season or

though during the past season or

four years dry farming has succeed-

ed very well, and considerable land

has been pre-empted or purchased

from the U. P. Railroad, still a large

area has been left untilled.

But the feasibility of taking out

the waters of the Weber from some

point up the cañon from which it

could be brought around the base of

the mountains and turned upon this

naturally fertile land, has been

discussed for over twenty years

past. The great expense attending

such a project has hitherto deterred

any attempt to bring it into prac-

tice. However, a number

of live men in Weber County de-

termined to make an effort towards

its accomplishment, and, taking the

steps required by law, obtained

from the County Court of Weber

County the right of way for a canal.

But there are landowners in Davis

County who have for years been

agitating this same question, and

who would be as much benefitted

as the Weberites by such an enter-

prise.

A meeting of landowners in both

counties interested in the under-

taking was held on Thursday, when

an amalgamation of forces was ef-

fected and plans were adopted for

the construction of a canal to meet

the requirements of all parties. The

Davis County people were admitted

by the Weberites to a full partici-

pation in the benefits of the right of

way, each party to own an equal share

of the work on the main canal and

its own work on the branch canals.

The great ditch to be commenced

about a mile and a half up

Weber Cañon, from which point to

the forks, where it will part into

the Weber County ditch and the

Davis County ditch, it will be nine

miles in length and carry a stream

12 feet wide and 3 feet deep; the

fall is 3 feet to the mile. The cost

is estimated at \$100,000 or at the

rate of \$3 per acre for the land to be

watered thereby. It is to be com-

menced at once and put through to

its completion. Presently, a number

of men connected with the enterprise

and several capitalists as well as

small farmers. They are all in

earnest. The work will be done.

It is no dream of theorists, and the

man life, and the case of the Ver-

mont children should prove a cau-

tion to all, whom it may concern.

If an animal dies from disease or

accident, it should be buried out of

sight and scent, and not left on the

surface of the ground to spread

disease and nausea. And particular

care should be taken to keep the

streams clear from decomposing

animal and vegetable waste, for

these are prolific sources of agony

and death.

A word to the wise should be suf-

ficient, and if the foolish will not

learn reason, a little wholesome

law should be put in force for the

protection of the public health and

comfort.

THE BRITISH MISSION.

From the *Millennial Star* of May

20th we glean the following items:

Elder E. M. Curtis writes from

Birmingham under date of May

14th:

"Elder W. B. Burton baptized

several just prior to his departure

for Utah, and we baptized three

more at Lambourn two weeks

ago. The presence here is such

that we shall baptize several more

at an early date."

On the 10th of May Elder Hugh

Findlay wrote from Glasgow, Scot-

land:

"Our tract distribution and dis-

tributions are doing a good

work; also our Sunday preaching

stations around the suburbs of the

city promise an increase to our

rank at an early date. Last week

we had all three and others are

favorably on the way to obedience

to the gospel ordinance."

Elder George Partington speaks

of baptisms in the Leigh Branch of

the Manchester Conference.

Elder J. L. Bunting sends word

from the Isle of Man, May 15th:

"We find many who are glad to

see us and want us to remain

longer than we will permit

at present. Several persons

have invited us to hold meetings in

their houses and we feel a good

work can be done here. An elder could

be sent to labor here."

Several of the emigrating Saints

had held special meetings with

their neighbors and friends, bear-

ing a parting testimony to the

truth.

Elder George H. Taylor writes

from London, May 16th, giving a

good account of the labors of the

local priesthood and says:

"Brother Ball writes me he is

very successful in some localities

in Kent and Essex. He lately bat-

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Edward E. Brain, in the London

Conference, to labor under the di-

rection of Elder G. H. Taylor."

The following appointment is

made for Elder S. W. Sears, whose

arrival from Utah was immediate-

ly expected, and who formerly

preached over the Liverpool Confer-

ence."

"He will spend Sunday, June

1st, in Liverpool. As his stay will

be limited he will be unable to call

personally upon his old friends,

who, however, can have the oppor-

tunity of seeing him by attending

meetings next Sunday."

The *Star* is increasing interest,

and in its new dress makes a hand-

some and attractive appearance.

BY TELEGRAPH.

FOR THE UNION TELEGRAPH LINE.

EASTERN.

The U. S. Government and the

Washington, 14.—The following

by a report of the Secretary of

State, was laid before the House

previous to adjournment, last eve-

ning:

"To the House of Representatives:

"I transmit herewith a compli-

ance with a resolution of the 23rd

ult., the report of the Secretary of

State relative to the steps taken by

this government to promote the

establishment of an interoceanic

canal across or over the Isthmus of

Darien.

"(Signed) "G. H. HAYES,

"June 2nd, 1879."

The report of the Secretary of

State, after reviewing the subject

and referring to the sending of

commissions to take part in the

interoceanic canal congress at

Paris, says: The policy of the

United States on the general sub-

ject of isthmian transit is under-

stood to have been and is not to

undertake the construction of a

ship canal on its own account even

if the practicability of such a work

at a reasonable cost were demon-

strated, but to secure by treaties

protection to capital of such citi-

zens as may be disposed to embark

in the enterprise. It will be my

purpose to give an attentive con-

sideration to whatever may pass

in other commercial countries re-

specting this subject, and to omit no

favorable opportunity for useful

negotiations in behalf of the inter-

ests of this government and the com-

mercial enterprise of its citizens.

New Land Legislation.

The House committee on public

lands, to-day, authorized its pres-

entative, Blackburn, of Minnesota,

to report to the House and recom-

mend the passage of a bill amend-

ing section 2,397, of title 23, of the

Revised Statutes, relating to hom-

estead settlers. The proposition is

to add to the section a proviso

granting the settler six months from

the date of filing in which to com-

plete his residence on the lands men-

tioned.

Delegate Bennett, of Dakota,

also authorized by the committee

to make favorable reports to the

House on two bills, namely, one

extending for one year the act of

1875, granting absence to settlers

on public lands who have suffered

from grasshoppers, and providing

that during such absence no ad-

verse right shall attach to such

lands, settlers being allowed to re-

sume and perfect their settlement

as though no absence had occurred,

and the other bill, abolishing the

military reservations at Fort Kan-

sas, Dakota, and authorizing the

Secretary of the Interior to have

the lands embraced therein sur-

vayed and made subject to hom-

estead and pre-emption, entry and

sale, and to the homestead law.

The rights of actual settlers on the

reservations are to be respected.

The Warner Silver Bill.

The committee consisting of

Senators Thurman, Garland and

McDonald, appointed by the Sen-

ate, the other bill, abolishing the

remote. If the vacancy does not

exist in the judgment of Judge

Dillon's resignation takes effect,

the vacancy in the secretaryship

will not occur until the Senate has

made a choice, and no momentary

interference with the business of

McCrory.

Comments on Evans' Canal Report.

The *Times*, editorially, says:

Evans' communication on the sub-

ject of the part taken by the Amer-

ican government in the inter-

oceanic canal congress is not satis-

factory reading to the patriotic

American. It makes evident the

fact which has all along been ad-

mitted, that our government has

not considered with any degree of

vigilance the general subject and

that we have been outwitted by a

junior of cleverer Frenchmen. The

government of the United States

has expended much money in elab-

orate surveys of routes. American

citizens from Maine to San Francisco

have won renown and applause for

their heroic and thorough work.

But after all the pet scheme of

the Frenchman, who has been

adopted, the costly labors of our

government go for nothing and a

great enterprise is set on foot in

the United States which the States

cannot consistently accept in it a

share any more influential than that

which might be assigned to the

kingdom of Fiji.

Wool Markets.

PHILADELPHIA, 14.—Wool firm-

er, supply light, demand active.

Colorado washed, 18 @ 25, unwash-

ed, 16 @ 18; extra and merino pull-

ed, 33 @ 37; No. and super pulled,

28 @ 32; Texas fine and medium, 15

@ 25; coarse, 15 @ 17; California

fine and medium, 25 @ 30, coarse,

23 @ 28.

Spinners About to Strike.

EL PASO, 14.—The meeting

of the spinners committee held last

night was nearly unanimous in the

opinion that all the mills should be

struck. At a general meeting of

the spinners, the committee has been

expected to take action on this

question. It is stated there is

little or no doubt, however, but the

movement will be for such strike.

It is further possible that a strike

will begin next Monday instead of

waiting until July 1. Several of

the committee last night expressed

themselves in favor of striking at

once without giving any notice,

but the committee were not unani-

mous on this point. Secretary

Howard said that he personally

favoured giving notice, but as some

washed to strike at once, the ques-

tion would also be submitted at to-

morrow's meeting. The meeting

will undoubtedly be a large one, as

numerous committees are to report,

several resolutions are to be voted

in and grave questions, throwing

1,000 persons out of work, causing

a loss of wages of \$100,000 per week,

be thoroughly discussed. Secretary

Howard states the spinners are in

good condition for the strike, hav-

ing several thousand dollars in the

treasury and no outside aid yet re-

ceived, and that the spinners could

easily maintain a strike of two months

duration.

Fireman Drowned.

CHICAGO, 14.—At 12:30 last night,

as home car No. 11 was about to

cross the State Street bridge from

the north side, running to a fire, it

was discovered too late to stop, that

the draw was open and the car

took a sudden plunge into the river,

a distance of about 18 feet. The

driver escaped after striking the

ground on the bottom of the river,

but John Coyle, a new man who

just went on yesterday, was drown-

ed. The horses were also drowned.

The other men who were riding on

the machine jumped on the brink

of the bridge and escaped without

injury.

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.