

Oh let our intercedings
As fragrant incense be;
Let Love's united pleadings
Be recognized by Thee!

In front of Truth's great battle,
Right in the conflict's van;
Our valiant, veteran Captain
Has shown himself a man.
The standard of Salva-tion
He's borne o'er land and sea;
Proclaimed Truth's joyful teachings
And gathered souls to Thee!

Unshaken and undaunted
By persecution's fires;
A worthy action, surely,
Of brave and sturdy sires;
Unflinching mid the drivings
And woes by fiends devised;
Who rested not, till Joseph
Was cruelly sacrificed.

So many faithful soldiers
Who hated the marvelous dawn
Of this grand dispensation.
To higher spheres have gone.
And rarely, very rarely,
Some dear old Saint is seen,
Who all through Zion's ordeals,
From first to last has been.

Lord, Thy let servant Wilford
Yet with Thy people stay;
A link he is between us
And Prophets passed away.
Thence shall the day be honored
Of His illustrious birth.
Long may he live; his labors
Are needed here on earth.

Concluding remarks of a most interesting and impressive character were made by President Woodruff, who explained with much humility that as to many of the acts of his life the Lord must have all the credit—the speaker had been but a weak instrument, but willing to do the Master's bidding. His words conveyed a powerful testimony to the truth of the mission of Joseph the Prophet, and of the latter-day work.

Choir and congregation rose and sang, "We Thank Thee, O God, for a Prophet," and President Woodruff dismissed the meeting with prayer. After warm all present passed around and shook hands and expressed personal congratulations to the estimable couple whose guests they had been; and to the hope that the future years may witness many such anniversaries and reunions, with continued health and happiness to President Woodruff and his estimable wife, the NEWS here with meekly adds its vote.

Bishop John R. Winder was tireless in his attention to the details of the pleasant affair. Bro. C. J. Thomas had charge of the singing, and Elder W. B. Douglass Jr. presided ably at the organ.

THE "GOOD OLD DAYS AGAIN."

NEWTON, Cache Co., Utah,
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The SEMI-WEEKLY comes to hand very regularly every Wednesday and Saturday, and is brim full of news and interesting matter. I noticed "Subscriber," letter headed "Good old days no more," which is full of truth regarding those times he speaks of. I arrived in Utah in August, 1848, and have noticed the changes the same as he has. He has written so much of my mind that I do not think it necessary to touch upon that subject. One thing, however, I wish to notice and that is about the "common people," as he calls them. I did not know we had that kind of people in this country, I have always understood that the common people were the power behind the throne and the others their servants. If I am not right you may correct me.

But I have another matter on my mind, and that is the sugar factory. I am not a beet raiser, but I am a consumer of sugar, and have voted along with others, to sustain our own product manufactured at Lehi. Now, my idea is, that the factory people place themselves as near the consumer as possible. By doing this they will find the load will be much lighter, both for them and the people that buy and use the sugar. If the sugar can be shipped to the consumer, which can be done almost everywhere, it means better prices for beets, more money to the factory and cheaper sugar to the consumer. When the farmer wants to pull a heavy load easy, he puts the horses as close to it as possible. The farther away from the load, the harder to pull. So with all home enterprises. Let the people get right into them and then there will be no trouble at all.

As for the "good old days," they can be brought right back where they used to be. We have just as good men to lead us today as we ever had; and when men want from one to two hundred dollars a month for their services, we can say "yes, if you earn it." I can say for a fact that the farmer gets far less than he earns, but he has to be satisfied because he don't choose to help himself. But I say let us do right and let the consequence follow.

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PARTY AND REUNION AT HERRIMAN.

HERRIMAN, Salt Lake Co., Feb. 23d, 1895.—An Old Folks party and reunion was held here on Washington's Birthday which proved to be a great success. There were about 250 people present in spite of the mud, the old folks being taken to the ward house by the young men in buggies. It was gotten up under the auspices of the Y. M. and Y. L. M. I. A., Brother Jeremiah R. Freeman being master of ceremonies. He called the audience to order at half past two and after the choir sang prayer was offered by Wm. O. Crump; more singing, after which a speech of welcome by Bishop Robert Daise was made. Dancing for the children then commenced, interspersed by singing and music by the mandolin and guitar club, recitations and speeches. One item of especial interest was a sketch of the life of George Washington from his early boyhood till the close of the Revolutionary War, given by J. R. Freeman. At 5 p. m., refreshments were passed around by sixteen young ladies dressed for the occasion with white caps and aprons. They had everything to eat that could be desired, but no tea, coffee or liquor; after which nuts and candy were furnished by the rabbit hunters who lost in a shooting match on Tuesday. Then there was recess till 7 p. m. when everybody participated in a good old-fashioned dance with songs and recitations which lasted until 12 p. m. Everybody went home rejoicing.

HENRY CRANE.

LETTER FROM STOCKHOLM.

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 2.—[Special Correspondence of the NEWS.]—Both the crown prince and Prince Eugen accompanied the king and the queen on their trip to Christiania last Tuesday. This is the most important journey to

the Norwegian capital King Oscar has ever undertaken. Upon the events in Norway the events in Sweden are now sure to depend, or in other words, the starting's treatment of the union question in regard to the mutual diplomatic budget and the mutual consulates will probably dictate the decision of the Swedish Riksdag on the same subject. Either peaceable negotiations will be the result, which, however, are hardly to be expected, or a separation of the union between the two kingdoms will take place. In military circles in Sweden the feeling is strongly in favor of war.

The Swedish telegraph system is now being remodeled exactly after the pattern of the system used in America, and the introduction of so-called American "sounders" is now going on at the various stations. Comparatively little telegraphing is done in Sweden, however; telephoning, which is ridiculously cheap, being the favorite means of sending dispatches even over distances as long as 1,200 miles.

According to the latest statistics 8,246 people emigrated from Sweden during 1894, a smaller number than during any previous year of the two last decades. More than nine tenths emigrated by way of Gothenburg. From Norway 8,749 persons emigrated last year as compared with 25,262 in 1893.

Mr. Fougner, the assistant commissioner of Norway's exhibition at the late Paris exposition, was arrested a few days ago in the German Lorraine, accused of having falsified the books of the government exhibition. He will immediately be delivered to the Norwegian authorities.

A giant concert for the benefit of the John Ericsson monument soon to be erected in some Swedish city, was given here last Monday in the large hall of the Academy of Music by the Fisk Jubilee singers of the United States. The big auditorium was packed to the doors, and the noble motive which induced the colored singers to honor in this way the memory of a Swedish man whose genius played such an important part in the war for the emancipation of the slaves, has brought them a host of friends all over the kingdom. After the concert a banquet was given in honor of the singers by Major Claes Adelskold, the promoter of the idea of raising an Ericsson monument in Sweden, a most prominent citizen and one of the multi-millionaires of the capital. One thing is certain: there is no race question in Sweden.

Prof. A. E. Nordenskiöld, the famous arctic explorer, has been appointed an honorary member of the Historical and Geographical Society of Manitoba.

Mr. M. Samuel, the Swedish commissioner to the San Francisco Midwinter Exposition, has just arrived at Stockholm bringing along with him the medals and diplomas to the exhibitors from Sweden. Most of those are very satisfied with the result of their display in San Francisco, as many orders for their goods are being received from the Pacific states. Mr. Samuel will spend a few weeks in Stockholm, from where he will return to New York, where he is in business.

The surroundings of the magnificent Frofhaettan water falls, which are known to every American tourist who has traveled through Sweden, will be