

snuff, thousands of penknives, toilet soap, nail brushes and corkscrews. This is parallel to mailing soiled linen as pub. docs. under the franking privilege.

THEY HAVE THEM.—The Idaho Statesman intimates that impeachment is nothing compared with the grasshopper plague with which they are threatened in that Territory. The "hoppers" are hatching out in countless millions, and are about half an inch long. They have commenced depredations, and can do some long hopping. We have seen them hop round "these parts."

FISH CULTURE.—As the subject of fish culture is receiving considerable attention in the Territory at present, numerous experiments have to be made before much can be done practically in raising fish. There is a scarcity of information respecting the manner of proceeding on a small scale, to make it profitable for families. Plenty of works can be found that will give the details of procedure in an extensive way, but these are inapplicable to most of our people. The results of experiments made here, therefore, would be of great benefit to the public at large, and we solicit correspondence on the subject from those who may so experiment.

General R. T. Burton has formed a fish pond at his place in the 15th Ward. The pond is about 60 feet in diameter, is fed from springs through drains made of cobble rock. It is lined inside and outside with sod, which has grown beautifully and gives a neat appearance to it, and a clear, sparkling look to the water. Around the pond he has planted Mulberry, Box Elder, Lombardy Poplar and Black Timber Willow trees. In the pond, which is three and a half to four feet deep in the deepest part, he has about thirty good sized trout, with a quantity of chub.

There is one point, and an important one, on which he would like information: The time at which trout spawn, so as to secure the ova at the proper time. Some say they spawn in March, yet he has opened trout quite recently that still retained the ova. As there are laws passed in various places against taking trout and salmon at a certain season, that their spawning may not be interfered with, it is most likely the desired knowledge could be obtained by this means, if there is not some one practically acquainted with the subject who could furnish it. We will be pleased to receive any information on the subject which any of our readers can furnish us for the benefit of all.

Since writing the above, we have conversed with a person who is familiar with trout and salmon fishing in England, and who understands the habits of the fishes. He says they spawn towards the close of the year, though salmon will hold the ova till they reach the spawning ground, and trout until they find a suitable place with a gravelly bottom. If the ova of the trout is deposited on sand or mud, it cannot be covered with the milt of the male, which is necessary for fecundation. By the English law, salmon and trout cannot be taken in October, November and December, so that they may not be interfered with just before and during the period of spawning.

HON. WM. H. HOOPER.—Our readers will be pleased to learn that the health of our indefatigable and highly respected Delegate, Hon. W. H. Hooper, is improving. This gratifying news is kindly furnished us by Wm. Clayton, Esq., who received a letter, dated the 5th inst., from the Captain. He has the warmest wishes of the people here for his recovery. There is not another man in Congress who is so faithfully and kindly remembered and sustained by his constituents as our Delegate. This is a reflection that brings consolation and strength to compensate for any annoyances he may have to meet.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY.

CENTRAL PACIFIC RAILROAD.—We learn from the S. F. Times that forty-five miles of track of the Central Pacific Railroad are in operation east of the Sierra Nevada; but there is still a gap on the summit to be filled up, and it is not expected that cars will be run through from Sacramento to Reno, Nevada, before the 10th or 15th of June. Reno is in the Truckee Meadows, and distant from Virginia city but fifteen or twenty miles in a direct line. From Reno eastward, when connection over the summit is made, the work of constructing the road will go ahead with "unexampled rapidity." The new track layer will be employed, as it is said to be working successfully on the Vallejo road; and, as the amount of grading to be done is comparatively insignificant, "we are quite prepared," says the Times, to believe the assertion that the iron will be put down with a speed unexampled in the history of railroad-building.

PROSPECTS AT MANTI.—By letter from M. D. Hamblen, Esq., of Manti, under date of the 17th instant, we learn that the locusts are beginning to make their appearance in the foot hills there, in myriads; but, up to the time of writing, there were only a few on the farming land. The crops never looked better at the season of the year than they did at the above date. They were having rains almost every day, and a great quantity of wheat and oats were being put in and would be put in for two weeks more.

THE SWISS MISSION.—By letter from Elder A. M. Musser, from Bro. Ursenbach, now laboring in Switzerland, we are gratified to learn that the work of the Lord is progressing in that country. Elder Ursenbach, though he has been afflicted with ill health, yet rejoices at the success which has attended his labors. He finds the Saints very poor, and scattered over a great extent of country; but they are warm hearted, kind, and true to the cause of God. He has visited the home of his brotherhood, but his relatives have shut their doors against him on account of his religious faith. Yet the Lord has been with him, and in every place he has had friends raised up who have listened to his

words, and the idea is gaining ground that the "Mormons" are a pretty good people, and new converts are being continually added to the church.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY.

"DOT" ON THE MORMONS.—"Dot" in the Silver Bend Reporter writes some things about the people of Utah, which evince a spirit of candor and truthfulness that is quite refreshing. He says the majority of the Mormons are hospitable, and treat those who come among them kindly, and fairly; and that in their pecuniary transactions they are as honest as the same number of people in any State or Territory.

Speaking of the difficulties that some "Gentiles" have experienced when endeavoring to correct their peculiar social system, "Dot" says they have received such treatment as they richly deserved, and that things would have glided along far more comfortably with them if they had observed the 11th commandment—Mind your own business. He also eulogizes the industry and frugality of the people. He says the loom and spinning wheel are in almost every house, and that the country, naturally very sterile, has been made very productive by their persevering industry. "Dot" is quite aware that in making assertions at all to the credit of the people of Utah he is running counter to the popular custom, but having resided some time in their midst he is determined to write truthfully from a standpoint from which he has been an extensive observer.

CHEYENNE STATION.—From this day forth Cheyenne has degenerated into a station. It may be a whopping big junction, round-house, foundry, machine shop, repair shop sort of a place, but with all that it is simply a station on the great highway from ocean to ocean. In view of this fact, it may be refreshing to our readers to note that all the distinguished visitors and pilgrims from the East will have to stay over here one night for supper and a bed, and that the travelers from the West will also have to honor us with their presence, and tax our hospitality to the same extent.—[Argus, May 13th.]

HOPPERS IN TOOELE COUNTY.—From R. L. Campbell, Esq., just returned from a visit to Tooele County, we learn that the grasshoppers have commenced their ravages at Tooele City; but the citizens, believing in the old saying that self preservation is the first law of nature, are taking steps for the destruction of the pests. At Grantsville they have not made their appearance, and it is confidently believed that they will not be troubled with them in that particular locality, not the slightest indications of their presence having yet been observed. This season the people of Grantsville have put in fully one-third more wheat than the average of former years. It is already knee high and presents a very promising appearance.

NEWS FROM DIXIE.—From Elder Joseph Birch who arrived last night from St. George, we were pleased to learn that the crops through the southern settlements of our Territory are very promising. It is expected that about ten thousand bushels of wheat and sixty thousand pounds of cotton will be raised on the Muddy. The wheat is now about ready for cutting. The crop of wheat in and around St. George will not be very heavy; but the gardens are looking finely, and it is confidently expected that abundance of grapes will be raised. Preparations were also being made, when Br. Birch left, to plant a large quantity of corn. The Rio Virgen and Santa Clara were extremely high, and the irrigating dam at Washington had been washed away; but beyond that nothing serious had occurred.

The health of the people is pretty good; the whooping cough, which has been prevalent among the children, was disappearing. Trade is pretty good, merchants from California and traders from Nevada being very willing to buy cattle and provisions that the people were willing to sell. We hope the people will heed the advice given through the columns of the News on this matter and do their own selling in the cash market, where they have a surplus that they feel they must dispose of. On the 6th inst., a grand May-day celebration, postponed from the first on account of Conference, was held in St. George. At 8 o'clock in the morning about 300 children, with three bands of music, assembled at the St. George Hall and went in procession to the residence of President Erastus Snow, in front of which anthems were sung by the children and tunes played by the bands. The ceremony of the coronation of the May queen was then performed, a beautiful wreath of roses and other choice flowers being placed on the head of the one selected as queen, after which the procession was dismissed, when nearly the whole of the people of St. George—the old, middle-aged and young, in all about fifty wagon loads, went to a place about a mile east of the city that had been selected and prepared for the day's amusement.

Here under a bowery 120 feet long, that had been erected for the purpose, various amusements were freely indulged in during the day. There was jumping in sacks, running races with wheelbarrows blindfolded, climbing the greasy pole, swings for the children, etc., until evening closed the sportive scene. The utmost harmony prevailed throughout the entire proceedings, and the day is one that will be long remembered by the people of St. George.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY

INFORMATION WANTED.—A letter has been received by a gentleman in this establishment from Mr. R. Elsworth, of London, inquiring after his son Richard Elsworth, a composer, who worked at the case in this city over a year ago. He started from here to go to Montana about twelve months ago, though he wrote to his father that he was going to California. He had worked previously in Denver, Colorado. Any printer knowing anything concerning him, will confer a favor on his parents by forwarding such information to this office, addressed to S. Roberts.

Northern, Western and Colorado Exchanges please copy.

MR. JOHN McCUNE. Athens, Athens county, Ohio, wants information of the whereabouts of his son Samuel.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY.

NEEDS ATTENTION.—Communications are occasionally sent us by some of our subscribers in the country, with complaints that their papers are not received regularly. This is more particularly the case with papers sent in single wrappers. As the missing packages are regularly mailed from this office, Postmasters in the Territory will confer a favor by giving this matter their attention. The following is from a letter lately received: "In some of the Post Offices there are large cracks in the floors, through which small packages could pass. The bundles roll over and under chairs, tables, &c., when the mail-sacks are opened." This should be looked after, that mail matter be not lost.

FROM GEORGIA.—Through the kindness of Br. E. M. Murphy we have been favored with the perusal of a letter from his son, Elder Jesse E. Murphy, now in Georgia, in the company of Bishop W. C. Smoot. They are traveling and preaching among the people, and although times are gloomy and they meet opposition in places, their labors are not unproductive. Elder Murphy says he had baptized thirteen in the twelve days previous to the date of his writing; and the feeling is to gather up to the mountains.

CARRYING FISH SPAWN.—In order to stock our fish ponds, streams, rivers and lakes with good varieties of fish, it will be necessary to bring the spawn of some kinds from a distance, which can be easily done, as will be seen by the following, clipped from an exchange:

A Western New Yorker, who is in the trout breeding business extensively, lately sent a package of two hundred spawn by mail to Fort Sanders, Dakota Territory, with a loss of only six spawn spoiled. They were seven days on the journey, were immediately placed in a breeding trough, and in about twenty days, nearly all the eggs had hatched and the fish were doing well. So writes Colonel John Gibbon of the Thirty-sixth Infantry. If spawn can be sent safely by mail our brooks may be stocked with them with ease.

We would like to know the best method of putting up spawn to carry a distance, if some of our readers can inform us.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY.

SABBATH MEETINGS.—Elder Dimick B. Huntington gave some very interesting details concerning the death of David W. Patten, and the death of Joseph and Hyrum, the Prophet and Patriarch. He related the circumstances attending the first visit of Emma Smith, Joseph's wife, to the body of her murdered husband. He, himself, had led her towards the corpse, hiding the sight from her eyes with his hat, and endeavoring to assuage her grief until she was close by the body; and when she saw the martyred remains she flung herself on the bosom of the dead, and besought the inanimate form, again and again, to speak to her only once and say that he forgave her. The speaker related the facts connected with the burial of Joseph and Hyrum, at which he had assisted, and the removal of their bodies afterwards. And urged the congregation to so live that when they pass from this life they shall have secured for themselves a part in the first resurrection.

Elders James H. Hart, Perry E. Nebeker and Geo. B. Wallace followed, touching briefly on various subjects.

Afternoon

Elder Wm. S. Goebel treated on the principle of marriage, viewing it historically, and tracing monogamy from its introduction among the Romans in the Sabine raid.

President Joseph Young preached on the salvation offered to various dispensations, and the unbelief manifested by the people to whom the messages were sent, illustrating by referring to the message through Noah, the coming of the Savior, and the introduction of the gospel in this dispensation through Joseph the Prophet.

THEATRICAL.—Mme. Scheller's impersonation of Pauline, in the "Lady of Lyons," on Saturday night, was an original one and most excellent. It differed in many respects from the usual stage Pauline, and wherein it differed it was more natural. The play was well performed. Mr. McKenzie made a good Claude for the short time he had to study it, his acting in the second, fourth and fifth acts being especially good. Mr. Lindsay as Beauseant, Mr. Graham as Glavis, Mr. Hardie as Damas, Mr. Hyde as Gaspar and Mr. Crowther as M. Deschappelles were very good. The ladies, Mesdames Bowring and Clawson played well. The "Swiss Cottage" was mounted and performed extremely well. Madame Scheller's Lisette was a charming, piquant, natural portrait, full of life, sparkling with music, buoyancy and nature. Mr. Margetts played Natz and Mr. Hardie Max capitally.

One thing that characterizes Madame Scheller's playing is the true womanly purity and chasteness of her impersonations. Not a feeling is excited, not a thought provoked in the portraiture she has presented, but throws a pure and sanctifying influence around the name and character of womankind. For this reason her acting is worthy of special commendation, and wives, sisters and daughters can enjoy her performances with pleasure and profit.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.—A gentleman named Adkins met with a serious accident on Saturday last. He was sitting near a comrade on the 8th Ward camping ground, and, while examining their pistols just previous to an expected departure for Sweetwater, the friend's weapon exploded its cap, and discharged its contents through the body of Mr. Adkins, the ball entering on the inside of the right nipple, fracturing a rib, and passing through the right lung lodged in the muscles of the back, from whence it was extracted by Dr. Anderson, who was immediately summoned to attend the sufferer. The gentleman is expectorating blood quite freely, and the wound is dangerous, though not necessarily fatal. He was visited by Drs. Anderson and Tait yesterday, and is said to be doing well so far.

REPREHENSIBLE.—Some young people with more knife-blade than good taste and common sense, seem to enjoy the reprehensible practice of shaving the bark off young

shade trees by the side-walks. Whoever sees any person so engaged should take the quickest and most effectual manner of stopping them; if in no other way, march them down to the City Hall, for we think they are liable for injury done to other people's property. Boys, if any of you have been doing it, stop it; whittle dry chips and let the trees alone.

DOGGY.—The centre of of the city is measurably relieved from the canine nuisance, but they flourish in the outskirts, we learn, and numerous complaints are made concerning them. A few cases of "mysterious death" in the dog family might have a salutary effect in reducing their number or inviting prompt attention to the City ordinance requiring registration and collars. If the nuisance is not abated, some of the canines may get accidentally "pizened" to the grief of the owners.

WEATHER.—They are having a spell of weather at other places, as well as in this city, as we learn by the Deseret Telegraph Line, which furnishes us the following:

Logan; raining hard.
Ogden; raining very hard; very muddy.
Provo; sun shining, but looks like more storm.
Cedar City; fine, but windy.
St. George; rained every day for the last five days, but is clear now.

PASSING THROUGH.—A train of ten wagons, with nine families, from Oregon and Washington Territory, halted on East Temple Street, to-day. They are on their way east, with their substance and their "household gods." They report having experienced eleven days of rain, and of course are in a condition to speak understandingly on the mud question. Their animals looked in good condition, and the pilgrims were feeling as comfortable as "heavy wet"—not spirituous though—would permit.

"INNOCENT!"—Under the heading "grass-hoppers," the Idaho Statesman says, "the Mormons are at war with these innocent insects!" Take care brother Statesman, we learn "these innocent insects" are numerous in Idaho, and they are death on everything green. You are in danger.

MORE RAIN.—Yesterday afternoon there was another washing rain, that came down with a steady fall like a shower-bath for a spell. Nice weather, this, for young ducks and growing wheat. More of it this morning and afternoon.

Died:

Thomas Roberts, a anwyd yn Llangyfelach-Deheubarth Cymru, Rhagfyr 24, 1829, a bedydd, wyd ei Tachwedd 17ed, 1844, bu farw Mai 11, 1868, claddwyd ef ar 12fed canlynol.

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Tan ddylanwad ysbryd Duw,
Wrth y rheol hon y rhodiodd
Tra bu yma ar dir y byw;
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In Bountiful, Davis County, on Monday, May 11th, Thomas Roberts, son of William and Jane Roberts, aged 39 years, 4 months and 19 days. Deceased was born in Glamorganshire, South

DIED.—At Tooele city, on the 13th instant, Sophia Warburton, formerly of Louth, Lincolnshire, England. Deceased was born 27th September, 1806. She arrived in Utah in the Fall of 1849, since which time until her death, she has resided almost exclusively with her son, Mr. R. Warburton, at Tooele city. Deceased was one of the meek of the earth. Her life was exemplary in every sense of the word, and its close was marked by that peace and tranquillity that ever attend the death of a true Saint of God.

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