

CORRESPONDENCE.

More Flumes or Bridges—Plenty of Money—The Dictionary—Kind Suggesters.

SALT LAKE CITY,
Nov. 11, 1875.

Editor Deseret News:

The season is coming for the streets to be in bad condition, part of the time at least. Mud and slush and snow and ice will trouble the teams, and the street-crossings, some of them, will be provocative of profanity. Would it not be a good thing if all the worst of the creek crossings in the streets were flumed or otherwise bridged, if not all the way across the street, at least for a distance wide enough for a team to cross over, say twelve to twenty feet? Then again, the sidewalks, some of them, will be in no delightful condition. There are many places where the side-walks are crossed by ugly water-ditches, which certainly ought to be flumed or covered over in some way before winter. To come out of a ball room at midnight some cold, frosty or snowy midwinter night, and after going a few rods find yourself floundering in a damp water-ditch in the middle of the sidewalk, is a sort of cold comfort experience that one does not wish to enjoy very often.

Our good old uncle at Washington must have plenty of money, so much that he does not know how to get rid of it, how to spend it fast enough, or else would his appointees here incur needless public expense in discussing fundamental questions which were authoritatively settled a century ago, ere the foundation of the government was laid or the morning stars of this great republic sang for joy? To me it appears foolish beyond expression for a court to waste its time and the time of others in discussing the eligibility or ineligibility of religious people to sit on juries. In my humble opinion it is foolishness of the very moistest variety. What will they discuss in the courts next? Perhaps the eligibility or non-eligibility of religious people to be tried by a jury, or the mighty question whether they have any rights whatever that non-religious people like judges are bound to respect. When people once step out in a career of palpable folly, there is no telling to what extremes they will go if they have opportunity.

A local journal advocates Webster's Dictionary for five reasons—3,000 engravings, full vocabulary, simple and comprehensive definitions, information of various kinds and typographical excellence. Typographical excellence is not confined to Webster's Dictionary. Two genuine, essential dictionary characteristics—the "vocabulary" and the "definitions," Webster's has. The "information" is also acceptable. The "engravings" are accidental, intended to beautify and popularize the work, but have little weight with scholars. Pronunciation is an essential, and in this Webster's has its equals. The one great overshadowing defect of Webster's is the orthography. This does not receive the sanction, and is contrary to the practice of the best scholars and writers in the language, both in this country and in England. It may be said perhaps with entire truth that but for its orthography Webster's would be the best dictionary in the English language extant. But orthography is a very important particular, and in this the usage of the best scholars and writers in the language should be carefully followed, in order to avoid as far as possible needless, futile and perplexing changes in the language, and even corruptions of it. If changes in orthography are not sanctioned and adopted by the generality of the best scholars and writers, they should be rejected, because the only true standard of a language is the usage of the great body of the acknowledged masters of the language.

Don't you think it really kind of those eight persons who took it upon themselves to invite a number of prominent citizens to hold a legislative primary, to take into consideration the things which the Legislative Assembly ought to consider and the laws which they ought to enact during the coming session? As "Paris is France," so "Salt Lake City is Utah," must be the opinion of that benevolent eight. What Salt Lake thinks the Legislature should do, of course the Legislature ought to do. There can be no doubt of that; the opinion of

100,000 people of the Territory, outside of this city, to the contrary notwithstanding. However, let us hope that good will come of it, and that the suggestions which may come to the Legislature from the deliberations of these eight gentlemen and their invited co-laborers will be adopted if really worthy of adoption.

RAMBLER.

Curious Coins.

SALT LAKE CITY,
November 13, 1875.

Editor Deseret News:

Brother Brigham Young, Jr., gave us a call this morning and presented to the Museum a number of valuable coins and medals, among others of much interest was a shilling of the time of Queen Anne, and a medal of the Battle of Culloden. The latter is well preserved and curious. On the obverse is represented the Duke of Cumberland on horseback, holding in his hand a baton of command, surrounded by "William, Duke of Cumberland, born 15th April, 1721."

The reverse represents a battle-field, with a cannon in front, which has just been discharged upon the retiring rebels, who are evidently in a hurry to get away from the Prince's troops, who are advancing in good order in battalions of infantry and squadrons of cavalry. Above the battle is the legend, "Rebellion justly rewarded," and underneath, "Culloden, 16th April, 1746."

Respectfully,
JOS. L. BARFOOT,
per W. D. JOHNSON.

Large Potato Yields.

PETERSON, Morgan Co., Utah,
Nov. 12, 1875.

Editor Deseret News:

Having seen frequent reports in your paper regarding the yield of some varieties of potatoes, I take the liberty to report my success with the following:

In the spring of 1874 I received from the east one pound each of the Extra Early Vermont, Brownell's Beauty, and Compton's Surprise Potatoes, which I planted in a black loamy soil, somewhat gravelly, on which had been grown wheat for several years, in hills three feet apart each way, hoed twice, kept clean of weeds, and irrigated; otherwise received no other care than potatoes grown by ordinary farm culture. The yield was of good marketable potatoes (some weighing from two to three pounds) as follows:

Extra Early Vermont, 438 lbs.
Brownell's Beauty, - 515 "
Compton's Surprise, - 260 "

One pound of Neshannocks, planted on the same soil and treated the same way, yielded 278 lbs.

The Compton's Surprise was cut down by frost before being matured, it being a late potato.

This year those varieties have yielded two bushels to one of the Neshannocks, on the same soil, with the same culture, and larger potatoes of better quality.

This is a larger yield, I believe, than any of your correspondents have reported up to the present time, but I shall not ask who can beat that, as I am satisfied that it can be beat, planted on richer soil, and with good culture.

Yours, etc.,

PETER NELSON.

Where is He?—Mrs. Davidson, of Corinne, Box Elder county, wants to know the whereabouts of her son, W. J. Davidson, who left the town above named something over ten weeks ago, in company with Donald McBane.

William White, an operative at Ormond's paper mill, Atlanta, Ga., was caught in the shaftings and had his brains dashed out against the ground.

Thanksgiving Proclamation.

A Proclamation by the President of the United States of America.

In accordance with a practice at once wise and beautiful, we have been accustomed, as the year is drawing to a close, to devote an occasion to the humble expression of our thanks to Almighty God for the ceaseless and distinguished benefits bestowed upon us as a nation, and

for His mercies and protection during the closing year.

Amid the rich and free enjoyment of all our advantages we should not forget the source from whence they are derived, and the extent of our obligations to the Father of all Mercies. We have full reason to renew our thanks to Almighty God for favors bestowed upon us during the past year.

By His continuing mercy civil and religious liberty has been maintained, peace has reigned within our borders, labor and enterprise have produced their merited rewards, and to His watchful providence we are indebted for security from pestilence and other national calamity.

Apart from national blessings, each individual among us has occasion to thoughtfully recall and devoutly recognize the favors and protection which he has enjoyed.

Now therefore, I, Ulysses S. Grant, President of the United States, do recommend that on Thursday, the 25th day of November, the people of the United States, abstaining from all secular pursuits and from their accustomed avocations, do assemble in their respective places of worship, and in such form as may seem most appropriate in their own hearts, offer to Almighty God their acknowledgments and thanks for all His mercies, and their humble prayers for a continuance of his divine favor.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington this 27th day of October, in the year of our Lord 1875, and of the independence of the United States the one hundredth.

[L. S.]

Signed, U. S. GRANT.

By the President:

HAMILTON FISH,

Secretary of State.

DIED.

In Spanish Fork City, Utah, October 30th, 1875, MARY, wife of John Banks.

Deceased left a husband and seven children, and many relatives and friends to mourn her loss. She was born February 22nd, 1839, in Preston, Lancashire, England. She was the daughter of Edward and Ann Creer; she was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints from her youth, her parents having embraced the Gospel soon after the Elders first preached it in Europe. She emigrated to St. Louis, Mo., with the family in 1847, and came to Utah in the fall of 1854. She had been a faithful member of the Church in this place since its organization in 1856, and was the first of its number stricken by the hand of death. She was virtuous, kind and genial in her nature, was a true Saint and friend of God, and died with the glorious hope of a resurrection with the just in the eternal worlds to come.—[COM.]

Millennial Star, please copy.

At Riverdale, of old age, HANNAH HINCMLIFFE, aged 83 years; she was born in Cumberworth, Yorkshire, England, on the 18th of August, 1792; died November 10th, 1875; was baptized into the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, by Elder William Schofield of the Oldham Branch of the Manchester Conference; has been a staunch Latter-day Saint, always on hand to assist those that were sent to promulgate the words of life; always bore a strong testimony to the truth of the Gospel. She emigrated to Utah in 1861 in Milo Andrus' train; has lived at Riverdale and Ogden ever since. She leaves a large circle of friends who followed her remains to their last resting place; committed her body to the grave in a sure and certain hope of a resurrection to eternal life.—[Ogden Junction.]

At Marriottsville, Weber county, Utah, November 10th, 1875, of cold and fever, ELIZABETH VOORHEES TACY, aged 84 years, 10 months and 28 days.

Deceased was born in Greensburg, Westmoreland county, State of Pennsylvania, on the 12th of January, 1791. She became a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at a very early period of its history, and suffered with the Saints in the drivings and persecutions they were subjected to in the States of Missouri and Illinois. In 1852 she crossed the plains to Utah, with her family, and has resided here ever since, respected and honored by all who knew her. A devoted and faithful parent who labored with all her strength and skill for the benefit and support of those placed under her watch care. Calmly and peacefully she sank to rest, surrounded by friends, whose bare testimony to her integrity and worth. And she sleeps to awake and come forth in the morning of the first resurrection, to receive the reward that is in store for the righteous who die in the Lord.—[COM.]—[Ogden Junction.]

In the 20th Ward of this city, Sunday, Nov. 14th, at 12 m., of membranous croup, CHARLES, son of George and Margaret Romney, aged 2 years, 10 months and 8 days.

Funeral services to-morrow (Tuesday), at 11 a.m., at residence of parents. Friends of the family are invited to attend.

At Brigham City, Nov. 12, of consumption, after a protracted and lingering illness, ROSEBET A., daughter of Col. Chester and Rosette Loveand, aged 3 months and 5 days.

In Union, October 28th, ROBERT B. PATE. Also, at the same place, Nov. 4, EZRA G. PATE, son of Robert B. Pate, in his 32nd year.

Bro. Robert B. Pate was born in Marsden, Lancaster Co., England, February 27th, 1803; baptized by Elder Francis Moon, in

Burnley, Eng., Nov. 4th, 1839; ordained a priest Nov. 18th, 1839; ordained an Elder in Manchester by Elder Heber C. Kimball and Joseph Fielding, July 7th, 1840; came to Warsaw, Illinois, in 1841; remained in that vicinity till the Fall of 1845, when his house and provisions were burned by an incendiary mob, who proposed to help him rebuild if he would deny the faith. He said, "I intend to build again and I will put powder under the house and will blow you and the house sky high if you come to burn again." Houseless and destitute, he went to Nauvoo, Ill., where he was ordained a Seventy and labored through the Winter, made a wagon for himself; in the Spring of 1846 crossed over the Mississippi River into Iowa, camped in his wagon three months on Indian Prairie, then went to Winter Quarters and remained there until the Saints went to Council Bluffs, settled on North Pigeon, Potawatamie County, where he remained until 1852, when, with his family he came to Utah, continuing in Salt Lake County, laboring faithfully in the cause of truth, till his death. Bro. Pate received all the ordinances of the Gospel as fast as opportunity presented, was ordained a High Priest in South Cottonwood Ward, and just two weeks before his death was re-baptized.—[COM.]

Millennial Star, please copy.

In Salt Lake City, at 7 o'clock, on the 11th, SAMUEL HENRY, son of Samuel Heber and Isadora Kimball, aged 11 months and 20 days.

At Brigham City, Nov. 9th, of putrid sore throat, LRLLY ANN, daughter of Paul and Mary Stark, aged two and a half years.

In the 20th Ward, of this city, November 8th, at 7:30 p.m., of inflammatory rheumatism, after five weeks' illness, GEORGE N. CASLETON, son of James and Sarah Castleton, aged 16 years, 10 months and 3 days.

Millennial Star, please copy.

At Payson City, Utah, November 3rd, MARY, aged 38 years, the beloved wife of J. T. Birks, late of Stockport, in the Manchester conference, England. She died in the full faith of the Gospel.

Also, Oct. 22nd, MARY ALICE, youngest daughter of James and Mary Birks, aged 3 years, 1 month and 14 days.—[COM.]

Millennial Star, please copy.

In the 20th Ward, Salt Lake City, Nov. 11, at half past four a.m., of inflammation of the chest, ALBERT H. CLEVELAND, D, aged 28 years, 6 months and 9 days.

Deceased was born at Staunton, Virginia; came to this city in 1873, was baptized in July, 1873; was well respected, true to his religion, and has left a wife behind him. He died in hope of a glorious resurrection. Funeral services on Sunday, Nov. 14th, at 10 a.m. Friends are respectfully invited, Virginia papers, please copy. [COM.]

In Heber City, Nov. 1st, 1875, after a severe illness of nine days, JANE ANN HESLOP, daughter of William and Jane L. Bell; she was born November 9th, 1856.

List of Letters.

REMAINING in the Post Office at Salt Lake City, Nov. 11th, 1875, which, if not called for within one month, will be sent to the Dead Letter Office.

LADIES' LIST.

Anderson E	Ferguson S	Pearson D
Ask J	Grimdale Mrs Pettit R	Park M
Als and L	Griffith F	Pratt S H
Brown E S	George E	Pratt H
Beaven A D	Hurst Mrs	Roper A
Busby A	Hawes E	Rick M A
Brady Miss	Hill E	Richards M A
Burton H	Hawkins E	Roberts M
Beers J	Hedger G	Sauge A
Badley J	Hall J H	Swift A
Bergstrom N	Hayward L	Sotterberry C
Burbage S	Hinchy L	Sheets E
Cernell W	Hyatt L A	Seamam J
Corbett V	Jones A	Sloan J M
Coldwell J	" R	Strong L
Creer E	Jossafen C	Shauke M
Chamberlain J	Johnson C	Spiers O
Combs G	Jacobs C	Smith A P
Coldwell H	Jensen E	Tucker E M
Chamberlain E T	Krafe L	Thackery H E
Duncan A	Lloyd M A	Thacker M
Dolas E	Lawson L	Ure L A
Dent J	Laurel J	Vance L
Day L	Legget R	Wheeler A
Dieker L	Luke M	Wallace E
Druce M	Madsen H	Watson E
Dillard M A	Morgan M	Wilks I
Elmer M	Morris A O	Winn L
Fraser A	Nyberg A	Woodbury M
Flint F	Nielson C	Wells M
Forster E	Nowlen M	Wheeler S N
Freestoue E	Newton R M	Williams V
Fillbrook E	" F	Williams M
Fahlin L	Proctor E	Youngbury O
Fowler M A	Peacock J	
Fielding M	Pack J	

GENTLEMEN'S LIST.

Adams B L	Gumwill J	Openshaw J
Aumots R	Gonzales M	Percy D 2
Armet J D	Hoskins B	Pederson H 2
Ator Z B	Howell B H	Pitts E
Brown W	Harris C G	Perry J H
" C M	Holman S	Paul H L
" J	Holmgren S D	Pencil J 2
Blomberg A H	Hobbs J	Pickering W
Burk & Ryan	Hobbs J	Quingley W
Banks C H	Hobbs J	Riddle Mr
Bonelli D 2	Harrison L T	Rogers C
Baker L	Howard L A	Rushon E
Bird E 2	Hedberg A L	Reeves F H
Banks G	Helford S	Rich H S
Burgard H	Huntor S	Reese G K
Bergumshaw H	Huntor S	Riley J
Boers J	Hall T C	Reese J
Birron J	Hall T C	Reid J
Buzzell J R	Hawkes W	Rollins M
Bautes L	Jones J G	Roberts O P
Bradford L	Jones A D	Richmond W
Belbrech M	Jones B	" S
Baker O	Johnson & An	Sandberg A G
Batey S	derson	Snow G W

Badger R C	Jorgenson G	Steed H
Bull J P	Jondol C A	Slate J
Barlin W H	Janson T W	Scartiff J R
"	Jerome H	Switchgale L
Cannon A H	Jenkins L	Sweanson O
Cox & Kuntz	Jenmon M	Snowball R
Cowley & Co	Jost O M	Simpson R
Corover D S	" K	Slight T
Cross D	Kaufman O	Sanders W
Carlson E	Kimball W A	Smith J
Charpon H N	" L	" T
Corey F E	Little A H	Thomas F H
Cummings F	Lamyne C	Thomas W J
Clark G E	Larsen C	Tibbitts Dr
Croft J	Leiber C	Thomas T E D
Crane J L	Leaver E	Tunnell A M
Cullen P	Lauden H	Tullidge & B
Cannon T	Lemmon H	Tiffer H
Cadwell W 2	Lovenberg H	Tompson J S
" D	Lundberg Y	Taylor J W
Dennis & Winn	Langley J	Thompson O
Dobs E	Lundgren O	HTaylor W T
De-ey J W	Linham T	" Y
DeBok L	Lyn W T	Venlas C S H
Dan O	Lewis W	Vanberg P A
Davis J H	" M	" W
" E	McAllister M	Winn A
" H	" H	Wilson B
Evins C	McGormick C	Wilcken C
Ellis C	McKinn W A	Whitney C
Edmunds E	Moore S P	Warren E M
Elliott J W	Mallen J	Watson J
Erinn J	Mather J	Woodruff J J
Frame A	Marshall W J	Wardrope J
Foster E	Moist J	West J
Farrell G	Moreno G C	Wick C J
Furdlay H	Mallet F P	Waddell J
Ferguson J C 2	Marshall Dr	Wergest J
Feeny J	Nelson C	Warren N
Foster J B	Nelson H	Winn W
Forrest L P	Newell W	Williams J T
Fleming W	" O	" J S
Green G	Olsen B	Young & Co
Gillies J	Goldthwait J W	Ogden H M

HELD FOR POSTAGE.

Bridgeport Manufacturing Co., Bridgeport, Conn.
Mack Waddops, Logan, Utah
H B Degrad, Austin, Minn
Hon Amos Townsend, Cleveland, O
Dan C Clayton, Pangwitch, Utah
Carl Hanson, Spring City, Utah
Joseph Jenkins, Ogden, Utah
R W Ballard, South Cottonwood, Utah
Jam E McKee, Washington, DC
Geo Mur, Echo City, UPRR, Utah
Jennie Wilson, Paterson, NJ
S T Cahoon, Conner Springs, Corinne, Utah
Robert Easton, Grantsville, Utah

Persons inquiring for the above letters are requested to state when advertised.

J. M. MOORE, Postmaster.

LIST OF LETTERS

REMAINING in WELLS, FARGO & Co's Office, Nov. 12, 1875.

Atwood Geo	Faust Mrs H J	Osell Mr
" E	Gildersleeve J	Ornstern J
Beal W A	Glen Mrs A	Pugsley P
Booth G	Garrett L	Plant E L
" C	" H	Pitts E
Corr Owen	Hale L	" T
Crane A 2	Hale L	Tuttle Rt Rev
Cameron Miss Hall E J	Hawkins Mrs	D S
" M	" B	Vurdand G
Cotten Mrs N	" M	" W
" D	Murray A	Wessels S M
Dudler Jo	Mahan Mrs	Ware S E
Dake Mrs W	" E	Wearing Mrs
Epley Mrs J W	Manning J E	" M

H. WADSWORTH, Agent.

PRICE OF GOLD

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SALT LAKE CITY, Nov. 16, 1875.
Buying at \$112½; Selling at \$114½.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

I HAVE in my possession:
One red BULL, about three years old, branded D C on right shoulder, busa of tail off.
If the above described animal is not claimed and taken away within ten days from date, it will be sold at public sale, at the estray pound, Moroni, at 3 o'clock, p.m., Nov. 20th, 1875.
AARON HARDY,
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