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TERMS IN ADVANCE.

Local and Other Matters

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY, JAN. 13.

Supreme Court.—Pursuant to adjournment, the Supreme Court of the Territory met yesterday, Justices Emerson and Boreman being present. Chief Justice Hunter not having returned from the East, no business was transacted, and the Court adjourned for one week, at the expiration of which time, Judge Hunter, it is expected, will have arrived.

A Bad Day.—Yesterday was a serious day for the Utah Southern. The passenger train that left here at 7 a.m. was delayed five hours near the Point of the Mountain by snow, and several men were nearly frozen in endeavoring to extricate the engines, two of them being attached, from the blockade. The passenger train was not relieved until the freight train arrived and helped it out of the difficulty. On the return trip, the passenger train was also delayed, and did not reach this city until about 1 o'clock this morning.

Triple Bereavement.—We extend our earnest condolence to the family of Brother William A. Taylor, of Harrisville, Weber County, in the loss of three of their children, within a period of 13 days. One boy, aged over two years, died on the 21st ult., of lung fever, a girl, aged five years, expired on the 4th inst., of typhoid fever, and still another boy, aged seven, fell a victim to diphtheria, on the 8th inst. But two children remain in the family. The names of the deceased appear elsewhere.

"Junction" Jots.—Frank Daley, Pat O'Brien, Frank Smith and Jack Skinner have been arrested by Sheriff Brown, in Ogden, for stealing cattle hides.

A boarding-school is about to open on the Fort Hall Indian Reservation. There are 1,500 Shoshones and Bannocks quartered there, and the school will open with 40 pupils, an equal number of either sex.

There was no Central Pacific express on Sunday morning, but yesterday there were two sections, the first arriving on time and the second about five hours late. The road over the Sierras is now reported comparatively clear of snow and the debris occasioned by the breaking of sheds.

Grist Mill Burned.—A special from Cedar City, Iron County, received yesterday, says that the grist mill belonging to Louis R. Chaffin and Company, of that city, was consumed by fire yesterday morning.

It cost the owners, fifteen years ago, between \$8,000 and \$10,000. There was about 150 bushels of wheat belonging to the people in the mill, which was also destroyed. The miller, who was living in a lumber room attached to the mill house, which was built of adobies, says the fire originated in the cellar of the mill, but does not know how. The citizens gathered to render aid, but the flames had too much the ascendancy to allow of anything being saved in the mill. Father Chaffin sustains the heaviest loss. A subscription list will be put in circulation.

"Enquirer" Notes.—Mr. Wm. Farrer, who has charge of the Co-op. baler, on Wednesday accidentally caught his arm in the machinery, by which the limb was considerably bruised, though luckily not broken.

The Utah Southern Railroad Company is now packing the new building at the depot with ice from the Lake; the blocks average 12

inches in thickness and are as clear as a crystal.

The Utah and Pleasant Valley coal trains have at last got through the blockade, and on Wednesday night last two car loads were shipped here. But two car loads wouldn't fill a goat's eye, figuratively speaking.

Stock that have to winter out have suffered terribly during the severely cold weather and deep snows of late. Many have frozen to death, others have been drowned, while many that escaped the two former calamities have had their extremities badly frosted.

The Legislative Assembly.—Proceedings in the Council Chamber, Monday, January 12, 1880. After a temporary organization had been effected, a committee on credentials was appointed, consisting of Messrs. Cluff, Calne and Fotheringham, who reported the following list of members holding credentials: William Fotheringham, Lorenzo Snow, M. W. Merrill, Peter Barton, George Teasdale, Erastus Snow, Abraham O. Smoot, L. E. Harrington, Joseph F. Smith, Daniel H. Wells, W. W. Cluff, John T. Calne, A. K. Thuerber. After the administration of the oath, by Secretary Thomas, a permanent organization was made with Lorenzo Snow, President; Chas. W. Stayner, Chief Clerk; W. W. Taylor, Assistant Clerk; W. L. Halliday, Enrolling Clerk; John Boyden, Engrossing Clerk; Sam'l H. B. Smith, Sergeant-at-Arms; W. Bell, Doorkeeper; Howard O. Young, Messenger; Heleman Pratt, Watchman; Henry G. Boyle, Chaplain. The House was notified of the organization of the Council, and the Chaplain then opened by prayer. Messrs. Thuerber and Calne were appointed to wait upon the Acting Governor and ask if he had any communication to make. They reported that the Governor was ready to confer with the Council.

The House was notified of this, and an invitation from it to the Council, to meet the former in joint session, to receive the Governor, was accepted, and the Council adjourned in a body to the Hall of Representatives. Here, in the joint session, Hons. Lorenzo Snow, Orson Pratt and Acting Governor Thomas occupied the Speaker's stand. After the calling of the rolls, Mr. Thomas read his address as Acting Governor, 2,000 copies of which were afterward ordered printed with the accompanying documents, for the use of the Legislature. The minutes were read and the joint session dissolved. After the Council had returned to their Chamber, it was decided that hereafter the Council meet at 1 p.m. It was moved that the Hon. Secretary of the Territory be respectfully requested to furnish the officers of the Council, each, with a copy of the Compiled Laws, laws of last session, and the journals of last session. It was also moved, that the Sergeant-at-Arms of each house be instructed to furnish the officers and members with copies of Territorial newspapers, not exceeding three copies, and with penknives, etc.

The Council adjourned till Tuesday, at 1 p.m.

Proceedings in the House, Monday, from 3.30 p.m. till close:

At the conclusion of the joint session, which is embodied in the Council proceedings, a similar motion to that made in the Council, regarding the supplying of members with newspapers and stationery, was carried, after some discussion and amending, after which the House adjourned till 2 p.m.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY, JAN. 14.

Mayor Skinner Dead.—A special from Beaver announces the sudden death, yesterday morning, of Hon. H. A. Skinner, the mayor of Beaver City. He had been afflicted with pulmonary complaint for some time, and been seriously indisposed from an attack of the ailment for several months, but no one expected his demise to be so near. He was a live, energetic citizen, well known and esteemed by the whole community, who deeply feel his loss. His funeral took place this morning at 10 o'clock.

Further Particulars.—David Rowe, one of the victims of the disaster on the Utah and Northern Railroad, the other day, is now considered out of danger. His skull was broken, and he received other injuries, but Dr. Benedict was near at hand, and rendered the required assistance. The reason the men did not hear the snow plow approaching from behind, was because their ears were muffled to protect them from the cold. The flying snow, as has been already explained, prevented the engineer from seeing them ahead.

Burst a Blood Vessel.—The sad news comes from Franklin, Idaho, of the death there, on the 8th inst., of Elder Charles W. Fox, a man well known and highly esteemed among the Latter-day Saints, as a kind-hearted, hospitable, upright soul, and a true and faithful member of the Church. On New Year's day he accidentally burst a blood vessel, but the bleeding was stopped and it was hoped he would recover. He appeared to be gaining strength until the evening of the 8th inst., when further hemorrhage set in, from the effects of which he expired. A host of warm, personal friends, especially the traveling elders, whom he always received and treated with the utmost generosity, will deeply feel his loss, and join with us in condolence to the bereaved members of his household and family relatives.

Killing the Sparrows.—One of the popular pastimes with small boys, at this season of the year, is to kill the small birds that make their appearance in swarms on the public streets and other places. It is a cruel practice, at best, to destroy these inoffensive little creatures, of whatever species, and should be esteemed a punishable offense, but especially is the misdeed magnified, in view of the fact that many of the birds so ruthlessly killed are those which have been imported, at considerable expense, from Europe and the East, by some of our leading citizens, and whose growth and increase are a public benefaction, in view of the insect-destroying proclivities and harmless nature of the birds, in reference to trees and garden plants. The sparrow is the one to which we particularly refer, a very useful assistant to the gardener and fruit grower, and one whose existence should be protected from the rapacious habits of the destructive urchins.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, JAN. 15.

Reports Wanted.—The Secretaries of the various Sunday Schools, throughout the Territory, are urgently requested to send in their annual reports, for the year 1879, as soon as possible, to Levi W. Richards, Secretary of the Deseret Sunday School Union.

Big Wind.—A high wind prevailed at Oxford, Idaho, on the night of the 9th inst. No one was injured, but considerable damage was inflicted, one house being unroofed, and chimneys, walls, fences, trees, etc., being blown about promiscuously.

Quite an Undertaking.—The beautiful but difficult drama of the "Marble Heart" is to be produced in Ogden, next week, with Mr. S. A. Kenner, of the Junction, in the dual role of Phidias and Raphael. Messrs. George Taylor and Ben Rich, of that city, also appear. Success!

Stabbed in the Arm.—Last evening a Chinaman rushed into the police station, and after exhibiting an ugly knife cut in his left forearm, stated that he had been stabbed by a fellow countryman, on Commercial Street. The police were dispatched in quest of the offender, but did not find him. Nothing more is known of the affair, which will not amount to much anyhow.

"Enquirer" Notes.—The fuel famine in Provo and adjacent settlements still continues.

Mr. James Dunn, Superintendent of the Provo Woolen Mills, writes from Omaha, under date of the 10th inst:

"I find this a busy town of about

20,000 inhabitants; also plenty of politicians and mud. The chief amusements of the generality of the people here seems to consist in saying hard things of each other. The populace is nobody only on election days; the rest of the time is put in by the politicians in working up jobs and dividing profits. I start for Chicago to-day."

A Happy Union.—It is with great pleasure that we chronicle another happy marital union. This afternoon, Mr. Heber M. Wells, a young gentleman well known in this city, and Miss Libbie Beatie, also a native of our community, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony. The ceremony was performed by President D. H. Wells, the father of the bridegroom. The bride is a daughter of our fellow townsman H. S. Beatie, Esq., at whose residence, in the Seventh Ward, this evening, a private reception will be held, to which the many friends of the young couple will throng, to pay their respects to the happy pair, upon this, one of the most blissful and important days of their mutual existence. The bridegroom is a young man of unusual ability and promise, highly and widely esteemed for his genial disposition, excellent character and many good qualities, and the bride is equally beloved and respected among her associates, for her intelligent mind, amiable characteristics and general intrinsic worth. We wish our young friends God-speed upon the journey of life, temporal as well as eternal, and all the attendant prosperity and happiness that their hearts could wish for or heaven bestow.

A Pitiful Narrative.—A widow lady named Anna Collins called in our office this morning and gave a sad and pitiful account of her unfortunate experience during the last three weeks. It appears that about six weeks ago, her son, James Henry Collins, a youth under 18 years of age, left Buffalo, New York, for Ogden, with the intention of seeing the country hereabouts, and if satisfied, settle down and send word back to his mother (our informant) to come and bring her four other children, to remain permanently. About three weeks ago, she received a letter from her son, who was then in Ogden, telling her to come along, that it was an excellent place for her vocation, (that of nurse) and that she could better her condition materially by moving west. The letter also stated that he was quite sick with a bad cold, and urged her to come to him without delay. On receiving this mixture of good and bad news, Mrs. Collins set about preparing to leave Buffalo at once, and gathering up all her little earnings, amounting to nearly \$400, and leaving her other children in the care of friends until she could send for them, took the train for St. Louis. From there she went to Kansas City at which place, while changing cars for Denver, her purse was stolen from her pocket, and she was thus at once deprived of all her means with the exception of a ticket to Denver, the sum amounting to \$335. She immediately informed the conductor, who advised her to remain in Kansas City, and try to regain possession of her money. Her case becoming known, she was the subject of much sympathy, the railroad company paying her hotel expenses for the week that she remained there. No clue, however, was obtained to the stolen money, and after writing to her son, explaining the cause of her delay, she went on to Denver. Here she sold every article of clothing she had to spare, in order to realize sufficient means to reach Ogden. Last Saturday evening she arrived there, and on the following Monday commenced inquiries for her son. She was unsuccessful for some time, but finally learned from two different sources, that he had been there about a week before, and was looking in poor health. She then went to the post office, but they could tell her nothing. The clerk did not even know that her letter to her son had reached there or been delivered. Not hearing anything more in Ogden, the poor woman came down to Salt Lake last night, and is now around

seeking to learn something of her lost boy. He is tall and slender, dark complexioned, rather delicate in health, was well dressed when last seen, and is smart and well educated. Anyone who knows anything of a young man of this description, named James Collins, will confer a great boon upon his heart-broken widowed mother by sending word to this office.

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