

JEREMIADS IN THE EAST.

Somebody, who professes to have authority, sends the following curiosities of literature to the New York Graphic, the first appearing in that paper of March 12, and the second in that of March 24—

"I wish to warn the people of this country through your paper that a great disaster is at hand.

"We have had no failure of the cotton crop since 1859, and no general failure of the grain crop since before the war.

"A complete failure of both these crops is at hand. The open winter ought to warn us of the impending calamity. The coming season our crops will fail as completely as they have failed in India. I predict that a famine will take place in the United States before the present year is over.

"Another panic will add to the distress. Our last panic was essentially a stock panic. The panic of next fall will affect all values. Already the first symptoms of it are apparent in the decline of railroads. We may shut our eyes to the future, but we cannot alter facts. Famine and financial ruin are close at hand.

"These things are to punish us for our forgetfulness of God. We are, practically, a nation of disbelievers. No such nation has ever yet escaped punishment. Many of your readers will mock at this assertion, but they will find it to be true. We have given ourselves wholly to selfish money-making, regardless whether we make money honestly or not. We shall be taught by hard experience the folly of our ways.

"I know whereof I speak. My authority I need not parade, but let your readers be warned in time. A great woe is denoted against us as a nation, I already hear its awful footsteps approaching.

"JEREMIAH."

"I warned this people through your columns some weeks ago that a financial panic and the failure of the crops was sure to come to pass before the end of the present year. And now I make the further prophecy that pestilence and vast and terrible convulsions of nature are at hand.

"It is given to me to see these things clearly; but I fear that the people will not believe in them till they have actually arrived. And yet how can they fail to read the signs of the times? Look at the great temperance revival sweeping over the country. It means that there is something in the air that stimulates men and women to a strange exaltation of the moral faculties. We see the same thing intensified in North Carolina, in the region where the earthquake is shaking the country. History shows that these spiritual disturbances are closely connected with the unknown force that produces the earthquake and the volcano. The earthquake is close at hand, and it will far surpass that which terrified our people in 1755. The breaking out of a volcano in North Carolina may possibly avert to some extent the ruin that is otherwise impending; but, nevertheless, our whole Atlantic seaboard is to be shaken to its foundation, and New York City is to be destroyed, either by the earthquake or the equally terrible tidal-wave.

"The pestilence will follow the earthquake. Before the summer is over the cholera will stalk through the crumbling ruins of our seaboard cities. It is coming, and no precaution of quarantine will be able to stay its march.

"Though these things are the punishment of a wicked nation, they will come through natural causes. The early spring, followed by the late frost, will cut off the crops. The subtle presence in the atmosphere of a strange element connected with the earthquake will produce the religious excitement. The poison let loose by the opening earth will breed the pestilence. But let not the people fancy that there is not a power that controls nature. The nation that forgets God will be chastised—whether by war or famine or earthquake or pestilence. We have fought him and we shall be made to suffer. You scoff at me to-day as a religious fanatic. I summon you to answer me six months hence. You will not scoff then, but you will comprehend the heavy burden that is laid upon the man who foresees these calamities in the near future, and knows that no power can stay them.

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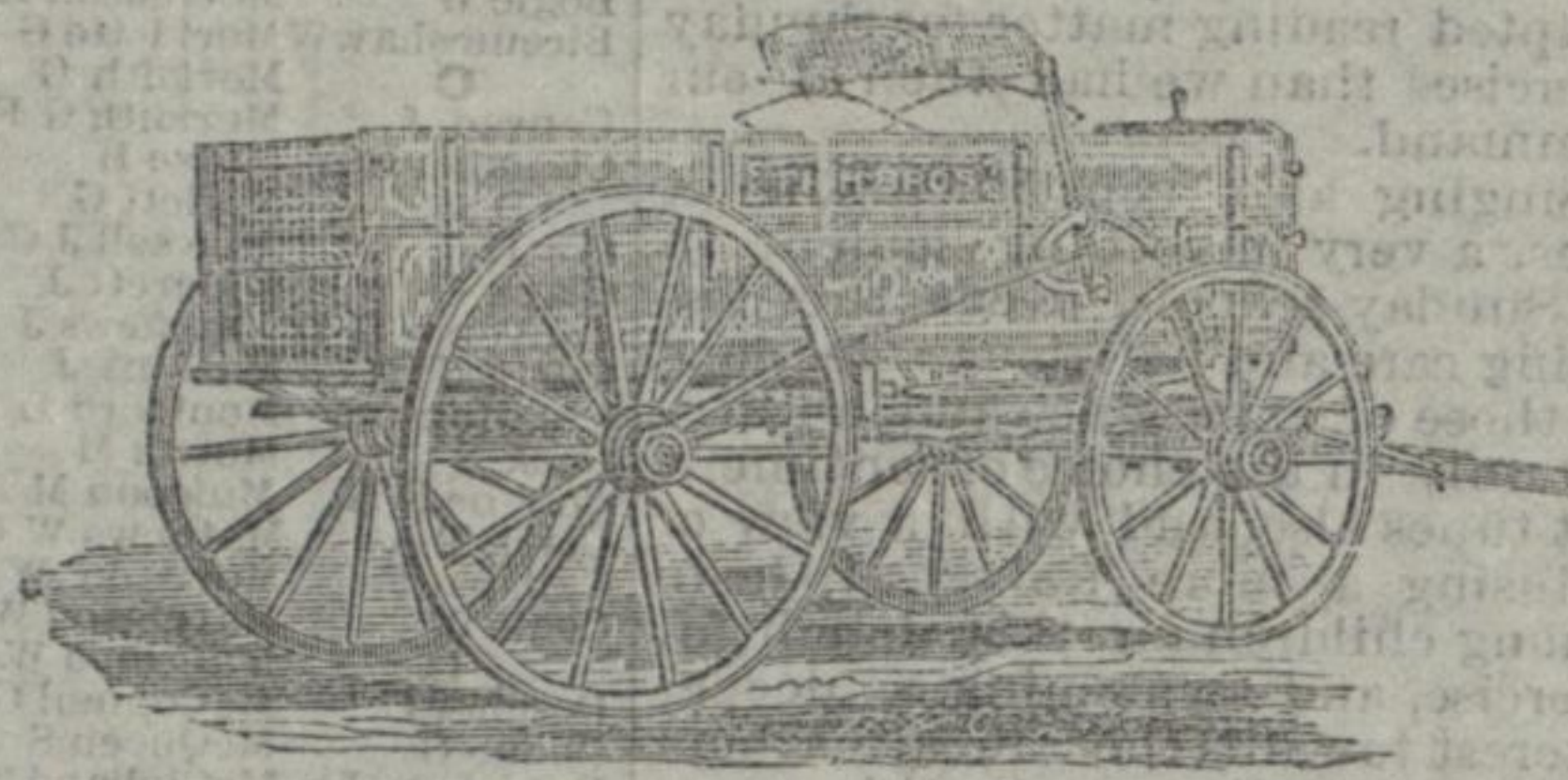
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IS HEREBY GIVEN, that I, William Morrison, Probate Judge of Sevier County, U. T., have, on the 17th day of February, A. D. 1874, at the U. S. Land Office in Salt Lake City, U. T., made cash entry No. 1304 of the following described lands in trust, for the use and benefit of the inhabitants of Richfield, Sevier Co., U. T., to wit: E 1/4 of N E 1/4 of Section 35, E 1/4 of S E 1/4 of Section 23, S W 1/4 and W 1/4 of S E 1/4 and N E 1/4 and S 1/2 of N W 1/4 of Section No. 25, in Township No. 23, South of Range No. 3 West, containing 640 acres.

All persons claiming to be entitled to any portion of the above described land are hereby notified to file their statements with the clerk of the Probate Court of Sevier County, as required by an act of the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Utah, prescribing rules and regulations for the execution of the trust arising under an Act of Congress, entitled, "An Act for the relief of the inhabitants of cities and towns upon public lands," approved March 2nd, 1867, approved February 17, 1869.

WILLIAM MORRISON, Probate Judge of Sevier Co. Feb. 20, 1874. w13m