EVENING NEWS. by which husbands and wives are made one forever, nor the principle of Published Daily, Sundays Incepted, plural marriage, which is an essential part of that doctfine. But those who AT FOUR O'CLOCK. have come out of darkness into light, and have learned how to know the PRINTED AND PUBLISHED BY THE voice of the Good Shepherd, will see DESERET NEWS COMPANY the beauty and divinity of that comprehensive revelation, and hearken to the spirit which leads in the way to the CHARLES W. PENROSE, EDITOR. continuation of the lives, wherein are exaltation and dominion and power in the presence of God and His Christ May 30, 1886 Thursday throughout the eternal ages. glory. Atter giving me lengthy instruc-tions and information concerning the JOSEPH SMITH AND CELESTIAL CELESTIAL MARRIAGE. doctrine of celestial or plural marriage, he concluded his remarks by the words, "It is your privilege to have all the wives you want." After this intro-duction, our conversations on the sub-MARRIAGE. NOW AND WHEN THE REVELATION WAS THE communication from President GIVEN. Joseph Smith, with the accompanying ject of plural marriage were very fre-May 15th, 1886. quent, and he appeared to take partic-ular pains to inform and instruct me affidavit of William Clayton, which we Editor Deseret News: publish in this issue, will be interestin respect to the principle. He also in-DEAR SIR-Something over twelve ing to a large number of our readers. years ago, by my solicitation, Brother It will tend to clear up in the minds of William Clayton, at that time and for those who are not familiar with the many years Territorial Auditor, wrote details of the manifestations of the Prophet Joseph Smith on the subject a brief history of facts which came of celestial marriage, some apparent under his observation relative to the Heaven. writing of the Revelation on Celesdiscrepancies which are perfectly hartial Marriage, as now found in section momous when correctly understood. The revelation on celestial marriage 132, Doctrine and Covenants, page 463, and first published to the world in published in the Doctrine and Coven-1852, at a general conference of the ants, was given July 12th, 1848. Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day The principles it contains, with wife Ruth. kSaints, held in Selt Lake City. further intilligence on the same I now forward this document subject, were revealed to the Prophet many years before, but not to you for publication, believing that the perusal of it will prove interesting formulated in writing for the Church. to your numerous readers just at this Acting under instructions from the Lord, the Prophet had several wives present juncture, when the subject seems to be the all absorbing topic sealed to him before the date of that revelation, and they are referred to in with respect to the Latter-day Saints, verse 52. There are other matters and "Mormonism" in general. It may spoken of in the revelation that per- prove a stumbling block to some, but it will throw light upon many points, tained to the time when it was written, heretofore obscure, and but little unshowing that the statement in derstood by many, which 1 trust will the heading, as it appears in the book, prove not only interesting but instrucis correct; namely, that the revelation tive and profitable. It will at least was given on that date, although the prove a guide to all, in connection doctrines it contains were made known and had been acted upon under with the abundant and incontrovertable evidence already had on this point special instructions previous to that to the identity of its author, under God, for which, all who love the These opponents of plural marriage truth, cannot but feel thankful. It must who deny that it was taught and pracbe borne in mind that this great and ticed by the Prophet Joseph, in face of testimony enough to establish any fact glorious principie was first revealed to beyond the possibility of rational con- Joseph Smith in 1831-or 1832 (I have tradiction, frequently refer to the at- not the exact date with me,) but being terances of the leaders of the Church forbidden to make it public, or to teach it as a doctrine of the in Nauvoo against the teachings of cer-Gospel, at that time he condenials and affidavits of several ladies fided the facts to only a very few of then requested me to get paper and tain persons on polygamy; and also the concerning polygamy and spiritual in- his most intimate associates. Among feism. These statements are cited as them were Oliver Cowdery and Lyman evidence that Joseph and Hyrum E. Johnson, the latter confiding the Smith were opposed to plural-marri- fact to his traveling companion Elder age, and that it was denied by some of Orson Pratt, in the year 1832. (See O. the ladies who afterwards avowed Pratt's testimony.) And this great

nge, and that it was denied by some of the ladies who afterwards avowed their own marriage to the Prophet or to his brother Hyrum. But examination of the history and the facts will disclose that there is no real contradiction between the alleged struct the leading members of the struct the struct the leading members of the struct the tism, recemption and sealings for the day Saints. That which Joseph and dead became the great themes of his Hyrum denounced and for preaching life, and, as the late Prest. Geo. A. which without authority an Elder was Smith repeatedly said to me and cut off the Church in Nauvoo, was al- others, "The Prophet seemed irresistsentment and anger. sentment and anger. Joseph quietly remarked: "I told you you did not know Kmma as well as I did." Joseph then put the Revelation in his pocket, and they both left the oftogether different to the order of ably moved by the power of God to celestial marriage including a plurality establish that principle, not only in of wives, which forms the subject of theory, in the hearts and minds of his of wives, which forms the subject of theory, in the hearts and minds of his the revelation. So with that spiritual wife doctrine wife doctrine was thus being mulgate at that period. Joseph the Prophet was just as much opposed to that false doctrine as any one could be. The subject of the authorities during the had any, object to those who had faith, that false doctrine as any one could be. which lustful men attempted to pro- this doctrine was thus being mulgate at that period. Joseph the taught by the Prophet to those whom Prophet was just as much opposed to he could trust-those who had faith, that false doctrine as any one could be. righteousness and integrity, to believe copied the following day by Joseph (It was a conterfeit. The true and di- and accept it, with all its consequen-Kingsbury. Two or three days after vine order is another thing. The er- ces, (which are no trifling things) it the Revelation was written Joseph related to me and several others that rors which those ladies who signed the remained an "unwritten law" and affidavits declared were not known to commandment of the Almighty to the them as doctrines of the Church were faithful only of His Saints, designed to not, are not, and never will be part of be enlarged as intelligence and fidelity the creed of the Church of Jesus Christ to the laws of God increased; until the it and she had done so, but he had con-sented to her wish in this matter to of Latter-day Saints. They were 12th day of July, 1843, when a portion conscientious in their statements. of the revelation was written in the pacify her, realizing that he knew the Revelation perfectly, and could re-Joseph and Hyrum were consistent in manner, and (at that time) write it at any time if necessary. The copy made by Joseph C. Kings-bury is a true and correct copy of the original in every respect. The copy was carefully preserved by Bishop Whitney, and but few knew of its extheir action sgainst the false for the purpose set forth · doctrines of polygamy and spiritual in this statement of Elder Clayinfelsm, instigated by the devil and ton's, now submitted to the world, and advocated by men who did as indicated in the revelation itself, as not comprehend sound doctrine nor follows, v. 66: "And now, as pertainistence until the temporary location of the Camp of Israel at Winter Quar-ters, on the Missouri River, in 1846. the purity of the celestial marriage ing to this law, verily, verily I say unto which God revealed for the holiest of you, I will reveal more unto you here-After the Revelat on on celestial mar-riage was writen Joseph continued his after, therefore let this suffice for the present." enemies of the Church that President & Let all the Latter-day Saints know John Taylor, in France, publiciy de- that Joseph Smith, the martyred nied that the Church entertained the Prophet, is responsible to God and the world for this doctrine, and let gation for the purpose of learning facts every soul know that he and his brother it. He appeared to enjoy great liberty and freedom in his teachings, and also will show that he did no such thing. Hyrum did practice the dcctrine in to find great relief in having a few to whom he could unbosom his feelings on that great and glorious subject. From him, I learned that the doctrine Directly be denied nothing; indirectly their lifetime, and until their death. he disputed the assertion that polyg- notwithstanding their seeming denials amy and certain infamous doings were as published in the Times and Seasons. of plural and celestial marriage is the part of the creed of the Church. In and which are so fervently relied upon nost holy and important doctrine eve answer to the charges he simply read a as evidence against the fact by a cerrevealed to man on the earth, and that without obedience to that principle no man can ever attain to the fulness of section of the Doctrine and Covenants | tain class of anti-polygamists. Those denials can be explained, and have exaltation in celestial glory. (Signed) WILLIAM CLAYTON. Salt Lake City, February 16th, 1874. On the sixteenth day of February, A. D. 1874, before the undersigned, a notary public, in and for said county Church. These seeming denials them-selves are specific proofs of the exist-of law, says, that the foregoing state-

there was, but nothing further than an attachment, such as a brother and sister in the Church might rightfully entertain for each other. He then said: "Why don't you send for her?" I replied, "In the first place, I have no authority to send for her, and if I had I have not the means to pay expenses." To this he answered, "I give you ad-thority to send for her, and I will furnish you the means," which he did. This was the first time the Prophet Joseph talked with me on the subject of plural marriage. He informed me that the doctrine and principle was right in the sight of our Heavenly Father, and that it was a doctrine which pertained to Celestial order and

formed me that he had other wives living besides his first wife Emma, and particular, gave me to understand that Eliza R. Snow, Louisa Beman, Desdamona C. Fullmer and others, were his lawful wives in the sight of On the 27th of April, 1843, the

Prophet Joseph Smith married to me Margaret Moon, for time and eternity, af the residence of Elder Heber C. Kimball; and on the 22d of July, 1843, he married to me, accord-ing to the order of the Church, my first On the 1st day of May, 1843, 1 offici-ated in the office of an Elder by mavrying Lucy Walker to the Prophet Oseph Smith, at his own residence. During this period the Prophet loseph took several other wives. mongst the number I well remember Eliza Partridge, Emily Fartridge, Sarah Ann Whitney, Helen Kimbali and Flora Woodworth. These all, he ac-knowledged to me, were his lawful,

wedded wives, according to the celes-tial order. His wife Emma was cognizant of the fact of some, if not all of these being his wives, and she generally treated them very kindly. On the morning of the 12th of July, 1843, Joseph and Hyrum Smith same into the office in the upper story of the "brick store," on the bank of the Mississippi river. They were talking on the subject of planal marking.

oa the subject of plural mariage. Hy-rum said to Joseph, "If you will write the revelation on Celestial Marriage. I will take and read it to Emms, and I belleve I can convince her of its truth, and you will hereafter have peace." Joseph smilled and remarked, "You do not know Emms as well as I do " Hu. not know Emma as well as I do." Hyrum repeated his opinion and further remarked, "The doctrine is so plain,

can convince any reasonable man or woman of its truth, purity and heaven-ly origin," or words to their effect. Joseph then said, "Well, I will write the revelation and we will see." He prepare to write. Hyrum very urgently requested Joseph to write the revelation by means of the Urim and Thummim, but Joseph, in reply, said he did not need to, for he knew the revelation

perfectly from beginning to end. Joseph and Hyrum then sat down .

Maxwell the Murderer.

Sr. Louis, 20 .- As the Maxwell case proceeds interest in the prisoner and his provable fate increases. Several prominent clergymen were present at prominent clergymen were present at the court this morning as were also a large number of ladies, and these, to-gether with many other spectators, packed the room to the doors. The first witness was a barber named Arma. Maxwell came to his shop between six and seven o'clock on the evening of the door between to the barber of the state of th April 6:h, 1885, his hair and beard were both very long and he asked to have the former trimmed and the latter shaved off. The barber did this and Maxwell then asked him if he could recognize him then if he had known recognize him then if he had known him when his hair and beard were long. The witness told him such a thing would be impossible and Maxwell seemed pleased at his answer. The prisoner talked like a part all the time he was in the shop, told all sorts of storles about himself; said he was going to go into the country for a day ar fue, but into the country for a day or two, but would soon return.

Samuel Hughes, ticket agent for the San Francisco Railroad, identified the prisoner as the man to whom he had sold a ticket to Sau Francisco, April 6th, identified the ticket which bore 6th, identified the ticket which bord his own signature and that of "H. M. The prisoner had made no Broots." inquiry as to the price of the ticket and when he paid for it drew forth a large roll of bills of large denomination. The tefense waived the cross-examination tion.

George Hess, pawnbroker, met the prisoner on the third or fourth day of April. The prisoner wanted to borrow \$25 on a watch chain. Witness re-fused to loan him so much. The pris-oner then tried to sell a bill of other trivial articles, saying he must have money on Monday. After Easter Sunday the prisoner called again and purchased a flate for \$8 and a set of diamonds, paying for them with a hundred-dollar bill, which he selected from a roll of several of the same denomination. Witness noticed nothing unusual in the prisouer's talk.

Small Pox in Montreal.

MONTREAL, 20.—Two patients suffer-ing from small pox have been removed to the hospital from the St. Jean Bap-fist Ward. Small pox has existed in St. Vincent de Paul village for several days, and has now appeared in the house of one of the officers of the penetentlary. Grave fears are entertained of its spreading to the inmates of the in-

> FOREIGN. LATEST TRANS-ATLANTIC DIS-PATCHES.

Elected.

 ATHENS, 20.—Stephanopulos was to-day elected President of the Chamber of Deputies. He was the nominee of Triconpis and was elected by a maority of 60 over the candidate supported by De Lyannis. It is now certain that Tricoupls will form a ministry.

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to his brother Hyrum. But examination of the history and the facts will disclose that there is no real contradiction between the alleged conflicting statements, nor between the action of Joseph and Hyrum in re-gard to polygamy and the doctrines laid down in the revelation of July 13 1843. Polygamy, in the ordinary and Asiatic sense of the term, never was and is not now a tenet, of the Lattertheir several branches; the seven others reported baving visited about how he had succeeded. Hyrum replied that he had never received a more severe talking to in his life, that one-half of the familles in their jurisdiction. The majority of the visited Saints were represented as being de-sirous of living the religion of Jesus Emma was very bitter and full of re-Christ. The several local organizations were reported as being intact.

At Builts, Montana, on Saturday morning, a miner named P. M. Sulli-van started down a 600-foot shaft with others, on the cage. At the 100-foot DESERET NATIONAL BANK level Sullivan got off, and the cage con-tinued to the bottom. A few seconds later something was heard to strike the top of the cage, and an examination regealed the mangied form of the un-PAID UP CAPITAL, . . \$200,000 fortunate Sullivan, who had failen 500 feet and was horribly crushed, scarcely SURPLUS, . . a bone escaping fracture. It is supposed that being taken suddenly into the darkness, he had not been able to I. S. ELDREDGE, President, see the shaft opening, and walked into He leaves a wife and three chil TO THE PUBLIC !

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It has been frequently asserted by the doctrine of plural marriage. Investi_ relating to the subject of marriage.

Until the open enunciation of the been, and while they are true in the doctrine of celestial marriage by the sense, and for the purpose for which publication of the revelation on the they were designed, they are not desubject in 1852, no Elder was author- nials of plural or celestial marriage as tzed to announce it to the world. The taught by Joseph Smith and practiced Almighty has revealed things on many at the time by both of them, and many occasions which were for His servants and not for the world. Jesus enjoined Church. These seeming denials them-His disciples on several occasions to keep to themselves principles that he made known to them. And His inwhich they denounced. junction, "Cast not your pearls before

swine, lest they trample them under their feet and turn again and rend you," has become as familiar as a common proverb. In the rise of the Church the Lord had occasion to admonish his servants in founder, by precept and example, of the same in the Church. regard to revelations that were afterwards permitted to be be published:

"I say unto you, hold your peace until I shall see fit to make all things known unto the world concerning this matter

"And now I say unto you, keep these things from going abroad into the world until it is expedient in me." "But a commandment I give unto them that they shall not boast them-selves of these things, neither speak of them before the world, for these things are given unto you for your profit and your salvation."---(Doc. & Cov.)

Under these instructions Elders had no right to promulgate anything but that which they were authorized to teach. And when assalled by their enemies and accused of practising things which were realiy not countenanced in the Church, they were justified in denying those imputations and at the same time avoiding the avowal of such ctrines as were not yet intended for

ment is true in every particular where ence of the true coin, the counterfeit of the facts are stated as coming under his own personal observation, and where the language of others is quoted the exact sentiments and as near as Let every Saint know by unimpeachible testimony, as well as by the spirit possible the exact words are given in of inspiration to which each Saint is very instance. In testimony whereof I have hereentitled, that God Almighty revealed unto subscribed my name [SEAL.] and affixed my Notarial Seal this doctrine to Joseph the martyr, and that under God he was and is the

Praying God to hless this testimony to the comforting of the Saints and the confusion of their enemies, I have the heartfelt pleasure to remain eternally yours for the truth, "if it wake the dead." JOSEPH F. SMITH.

ANOTHER TESTIMONY-STATEMENT OF AMERICAN. WILLIAM CLAYTON. LATEST BY LIGHTNING. Copy.

Hanged.

Hanlan vs. Beach.

Sentenced to Sing Ning.

(Signed)

Inasmuch as it may be interesting to future generations of the members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-RONDOUT, N. Y., 20.-- Louis Willet, alige Charles Crosby, was hanged at Kingston this morning for the murder f Edward Kelland in January.

day Saints to learn something of the first teachings of the principle of plu-ral marriage by President Joseph Smith, the Prophet, Seer, Revelator and Translator. of said Church, I will give a short relation of facts which compared within any manual house TORONTO, 20. — Haulan expresses great satisfaction on receiving Beach's acceptance of his challenge. He has not yet decided when he will start for occurred within my personal knowledge, and also matters related to me by

President Joseph Smith. I was employed as a clerk in President Joseph Smith's office, under Elder Wil-iard Richards, and commenced to labor in the office on the 10th day February,

The Temple financial report was read as usual; likewise statistical and Substh school reports. Supt. W. H. Folsom reported prog-

The presentation of the general Stake and Local authorities was duly made to the Conference, and each received a unanimous vote. Elder A. H. uperintendent of Sabbath Schools. Presidents Peterson, Beal and Mal-ben, Elders W. H. Folsom and A. H. Lund each addressed the Conference. Priesthood meeting was held, at which

much instruction was given by Presl-dents Peterson and Maiben, upon the subject of keeping Ward records, of the necessity of making correct sta-tistical reports of the Wards, requiring the Bishops to urge upon the Salats the necessity of observing the Saints the necessity of observing the monthly fast day, and the duty of all Saints to pay over their fast offerings for the benefit of the poor. It was also required of the Bishops to keep a correct record of all means thus received, from whom, and to whom paid out.I.

Sabbath School Supt., Prest. J. B. Malben; announced the following dates instructions, privately, on the doctrine, to myself and others, and during the last year of his life we were scarcely ever together, alone, but he was talk-ing on the subject, and explaining that doctrine and principles connected with the sourced the stake: June 17, son; June 24, Fairview; June 30 tain Green; July 14, Ephraim. for the holding of Sabbath School Jubilees in the Stake: June 17, Gunni-son; June 24, Fairview; June 30, Foun-The house was too small for the con

gregation.

GEORGE TAYLOR, Clerk.

PACIFIC COAST NOTES.

CULLED FROM WESTERN EXCHANGES

Wm. Boyd was suffocated by smoke, luring a fire at San Francisco, on Friday last.

George M. Sanford was assaulted by a couple of men in San Francisco last week, and kicked to death.

ameter. The Government land agent at Victoria, B. C., warns people against going to the granite Creek mines.

The orange season in Southern Callfornia is drawing to a close. It has been the most profitable for years.

James Rush, a prospector, was killed by Indians near the Colville (W. T.) mines last week. He leaves a wife and seven children.

At Shingle Springs, Cal., May 14, E. Cooley, a miner, was found dead, with a hole in the back of his neck. The murderer is unknown.

at my office in Salt Lake City, Utah Territory, the day and year aforesaid. led) JOHN T. CAINE, The Canadian Pacific Railway is still blocked by snow in the mountain passes of British Columbia, and will probably not be opened until June 1st.

Notary Public. The fishermen's strike at Astoria, Oregon, has ended, an amicable ar-rangement having been entered into whereby the men receive the price de-BY TELEGRAPH

PER WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH LINE.

The body of a young man, whose identity could not be established, was found in San Francisco Bay last Sat-urday. It had been in the water a couple of weeks.

On May 10th Henry Lion, a county official in California, committed sui-cide by shooting himself in the head, at Oakland. Heavy losses by gam-bling was the cause.

On May 12th, William Sidnor, was working in a well on the Baucroft Banch, Ygnacid Valley, Cal., and was was struck on the head by the handle of the windlass and killed.

England, but probably he will go the first week in July.

At Vallejo Junction, Cal., last Fri-day, Thos. McGuire slipped and fell into a cuivert. His head struck on a rock stunning him, and ne was drowned before he got out. NEW YORE, 20 .- Alderman Jachne





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