

pounds of butter in one week on grass alone. "Sally Snip," a daughter of "Lord Wessel" attracted a great deal of attention last season at Mr. Little's residence and was prized very highly by him. That the Jersey thrives in cold climates is demonstrated in Canada and elsewhere. In New Brunswick a gentleman tested his cow when the thermometer registered 40 degrees below zero and she produced 17 pounds of butter in 7 days. A great deal of fault is found with the Jersey for her size by Durham men, but time will show that the all-purpose cow is only a thing of imagination and that the Durham is what we want for beef; but as an average butter cow the Jersey has won the laurels.

TERRITORIAL ITEMS.

CULLED FROM LATEST EXCHANGES.

—Logan contemplates illuminating that city with electric lights. We wish the enterprise success.

—Diphtheria broke out at Deer Lodge, Montana, last Wednesday; one case proved fatal on that date.

—Kirkham's panorama of incidents, describing the Book of Mormon, will be exhibited at Beaver to-night.

—The mail carrier between Swington and White Sulphur Springs, Montana, got lost and was badly frozen last week.

—A man named J. J. Crilley was drowned last Wednesday while attempting to cross Grand River, near Fruita, Colorado.

—A young man named Bailey, formerly of Canon City, was drowned in the Grand River last Tuesday evening, some ten or fifteen miles above Grand Junction, Colorado.

—Geo. Galbraith, who was injured in the railroad wreck on Feeley Hill, a short time ago was obliged to have his leg amputated twice, and died in Butte, M. T., on Wednesday.

—A Chinese funeral which recently occurred in Rock Springs, Wyoming, is described by a correspondent as a cross between a 4th of July celebration and a Dunkard love feast.

—The Dillon (Mon.), Tribune says: "It is proposed to urge upon the Legislature of Montana the passage of a law making it obligatory upon all who perform marriage ceremonies to conclude each ceremony as follows: 'And now, in the presence of these witnesses, I pronounce you man and wife until death or divorce do you part.'"

—Elder B. H. Roberts, of the Southern States Mission, commences a series of lectures this evening at Providence, Cache County. He will make a tour through the country, lecturing under the auspices of the Y. M. M. I. A., upon various subjects which he has prepared with care. He is an eloquent speaker and will doubtless have large audiences to address.

—On Saturday a man at Butte, named Jelich, was sentenced to thirty days imprisonment and a fine of \$50, for stealing 100 pounds of fresh trout from the sleigh of Chris Sauers; and on the same day a hearing was given to a case in which a Chinaman attempted to stab his employer, but was knocked down and badly beaten by the latter. The decision was against the Chinaman who had entered the complaint of assault and battery.

—The Leadville (Col.) Democrat, relates the particulars of the finding of a baby on a doorstep in that town by a miner named Corson. The foundling was well wrapped up and deposited in a basket, and the Corson family, being without children, concluded to adopt it; so it has supplanted in their household the cats and dogs upon which the miner and his wife had previously bestowed the "wealth of their affections."

—The Ogden Herald of the 10th says: This afternoon an accident occurred in which the Providence which protects little children was made manifest. The little son of Mr. Cole Williamson was trying to clamber over the right hind wheel of a wagon in front of William Driver & Son's, on Main Street, when the vehicle started and he was thrown down, the wheel rolling on to his prostrate body. The shrieks of the terrified women who were in the wagon soon attracted a large crowd. One woman bravely and vigorously lifted the wheel up while others took the lad away and conveyed him to the parental residence above James Wotherspoon's. Wonderful to say, the little fellow was not at all injured, there being not even a scratch upon his body.

ANOTHER ANTI-POLYGAMY BILL.

IDAHO STILL KEEPS GRINDING AT THE ANTI-"MORMON" MILL.

HOUSE BILL NO. 18.

[Drawn by Hon. John Hailey and introduced by Mr. McKern, democrat, of Nez Perce.]

An act for the punishment of bigamy, polygamy and unlawful cohabitation, in the Territory of Idaho.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Idaho, as follows:

SEC. 1. That every person who has a husband or wife living, who in this Territory or other place over which the United States have jurisdiction, hereafter marries another in this Territory, whether married or single, and any man who hereafter simultaneously, or on the same day, or at any other time, marries more than one woman in this Territory or other place over which the United States have jurisdiction, is

guilty of bigamy and polygamy and shall on conviction be punished by a fine of not more than \$500 and by imprisonment for a term of not more than five years in the Penitentiary; but this section shall not extend to any person by reason of any former marriage, whose husband or wife by such marriage shall have been absent for five successive years, and is not known to such person to be living, and is believed by such person to be dead, nor to any person by reason of any former marriage which shall have been dissolved by a valid decree of a competent court, nor to any person by reason of any former marriage which shall have been pronounced void by a valid decree of a competent court on account of nullity of the marriage contract.

SEC. 2. That if any male or female person within the limits of Idaho Territory hereafter cohabits with any other person than his lawful wedded wife, or her lawful wedded husband, he or she shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars nor more than five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail for less than thirty days nor more than six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court.

SEC. 3. That counts for any or all of the offenses named in sections one (1) and two (2) of this act may be joined in the same presentment or indictment.

SEC. 4. That in any prosecution for bigamy, polygamy, or unlawful cohabitation under sections one (1) and two (2) of this act, it shall be sufficient cause of challenge to any person drawn or summoned as a jurymen or talesman, first, that he is or has been living in the practice of bigamy, polygamy or unlawful cohabitation with more than one woman, since the passage of this act, or that he is or has been guilty of an offense punishable by the provisions of sections one (1) or two (2) of this act, or that he believes it right for a man to have more than one living and undivorced wife at the same time, or to live in the practice of cohabitation with more than one woman; and any person appearing or offered as a juror or talesman and challenged on either of the foregoing grounds, may be questioned on his oath as to the existence of any such cause of challenge; and other evidence may be introduced bearing upon the question raised by such challenge, and this question shall be tried by the Court; but as to the first ground of challenge before mentioned, the person challenged shall not be bound to answer, if he shall say upon his oath that he declines on the ground that his answer may criminate himself; and if he shall answer as to the first ground, his answer shall not be given in evidence in any criminal prosecution against him, for any offense named in sections one (1) and two (2) of this act; but if he declines to answer on any ground, he shall be rejected as incompetent.

SEC. 5. That the Governor of Idaho Territory is hereby authorized to grant amnesty to such classes of offenders guilty of bigamy, polygamy or unlawful cohabitation, at the time of the passage of this Act, on such conditions and under such limitations as he shall think proper, but no such amnesty shall have effect unless the conditions thereof shall be complied with: *Provided further*, that in case the Governor grants amnesty to any person or persons who have been guilty of bigamy or polygamy under the provisions of this act, that one of the said conditions of which said amnesty or pardon is granted, shall be that the person or persons applying for such pardon shall take to himself as his wife the first woman he married if living, or the first in point of time of his plural wives, and that he shall be compelled to submit to an equitable distribution of all his property, both real and personal, to his other wife or wives, or to their children or descendants; said distribution of property to be made by a commission consisting of three disinterested men, appointed by the Governor, from the county in which said person resides, or where said property is situated, and under such other and further provisions as by the Governor may be prescribed.

SEC. 6. That no person who has been convicted of bigamy, polygamy, or unlawful cohabitation with more than one woman in this Territory, shall be entitled to vote at any election in this Territory, or be eligible for election or appointment to, or be entitled to hold any office or place of public trust, honor or emolument, in or under the laws of this Territory, unless such person shall first have been granted amnesty by the Governor of this Territory, as provided in section five (5) of this Act.

SEC. 7. That any person or persons who teaches, counsels, or advises any other person or persons in this Territory to practice bigamy, polygamy, or unlawful cohabitation, shall be deemed guilty of polygamy, and upon conviction shall be punished as provided in section one (1) of this act.

SEC. 8. That in case of conviction or convictions made under section one (1) of this Act, the Governor or the Court before whom the conviction or convictions were made, shall proceed at once to appoint three disinterested persons to make an equitable distribution of the property of such convicted person or persons, between his or their plural wife or wives, and their children, as provided in section five (5) of this Act.

SEC. 9. This Act shall be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Governor.

ITEMS FROM NEW MEXICO.

PLEASANTON, SOCORRO Co., New Mexico, Dec. 27, 1884.

Editor Deseret News:

The people here, I believe, are trying to do pretty well. We have only 12 or 14 families, and this is a small valley, shut in by mountains, with the San Francisco river running through it in a southerly course. The soil is very productive. Some corn grew on my place 15 feet high. It has been raining most of the time for two weeks. We have a corn mill here to do all our grinding, built and run by Mr. Worden. We also have the walls up for a concrete meeting house, which will soon be enclosed.

Wm. C. McClellan, our worthy Bishop, is trying to keep the brethren awake to their duties. We have mines on both sides of us within 12 miles, so we are pretty nearly surrounded with outside influences, but by the help of the Lord we will build up the kingdom and work out our salvation. There is room here for a few more good Saints.

Yours truly,
N. P. WORDEN.

OFFICIAL CONTRADICTION.

THERE is an old saw to the effect that "a lie will travel ten leagues while truth is putting on his boots," which is exemplified almost daily in the lies which are circulated about the "Mormons." As a rule, newspaper men seize with avidity and do their best to circulate anything that is unfavorable to the "Mormons" (which, by the way, which is untrue,) but they are very loth indeed to publish anything in their favor, or in other words the truth about them. An example will serve to illustrate this.

On the arrival of a company of "Mormon" emigrants in New York in November last the New York Sun published a sensational story about a young girl named Lavinia Coop being rescued from the "Mormons" through the intervention of friends, and about certain violent efforts being made by the Elders who accompanied the company to compel her to go along with them; as well as scandalous statements about those same Elders drinking, card-playing, etc., on the voyage from Liverpool to New York. Not only was this scandalous story copied extensively by American newspapers, and in many instances dilated upon, but the English papers also took it up and made the most of it, some of them even going so far in the matter as to call for governmental interference to prevent the "Mormons" from capturing and forcibly taking away the young women of Great Britain. Nor was this all, for the story served as a pretext for anti-"Mormon" lecturers to issue sensational placards and call public meetings with a view to arousing the popular indignation and having the "Mormons" driven out of England.

In view of all this, it may be imagined how utterly hopeless would be the task of getting a contradiction of this statement circulated as extensively as it was. Probably not one paper in twenty that published the original story would admit a refutation of it in its columns; and yet the original story contained but one atom of truth, and that was, that such a girl left the company of "Mormon" emigrants in New York. It was a matter of no particular concern to the company or the Elders in charge that she did so, for she was not a member of their faith, and they felt no special interest in her emigrating to Utah.

The fact that Miss Coop found "Mormon"-bating passengers on board the boat while crossing the Atlantic and yielded to their persuasions to remain in New York instead of proceeding to Utah did not surprise those who knew her. She had several months previously shown that she had no mind of her own by yielding to the persuasions of a sectarian minister and quitting her foster-mother when they were about to embark upon the cars at Stockport to emigrate to Utah. Upon that occasion her foster-mother had only been gone a few days, when the girl relented and applied to the "Mormon" Elders in that region to know if they could not assist her to emigrate to Utah, and it was at her solicitation that the lady who had reared her and had proved as kind as any real mother could to her, subsequently sent means from Utah to Liverpool to pay for her emigration. If she has not already changed her mind again and wished herself in Utah, she probably soon will do so, and we shall not be surprised to learn of this poor vacillating piece of humanity petitioning again for help to come out here.

Our attention has been called to this subject now by reading in a late number of the *Millennial Star* the following contradiction to the scandalous report, and which, coming as it does from the chief officers of the steamship upon which the company crossed the ocean, ought to satisfy even the most prejudiced that the charges made against the Elders were false:

S. S. ARIZONA, Dec. 6, 1884.

"We hereby certify that the statement recently published in the New York Sun, and extensively copied in English papers, in regard to an influence being exercised by the 'Mormons' on the steamship *Arizona*, to take Miss Lavinia Coop to Utah against her will, is false. No violence, nor show of violence, was used by any 'Mormon' with Miss Coop or anyone else.

"We understand that Miss Coop was not a member of the 'Mormon' church, but was going out at her own request to her foster-mother, who is a 'Mormon,' and who had sent the means for her emigration to Utah.

"The story about the Elders smoking, drinking, card-playing and taking improper liberties with the passengers, is false in every particular."

SAMUEL BROOKS, Commander.
G. E. HAMMILL, Purser.

The Russian colonel, Aschenbrenner, who was recently condemned to death for being a Nihilist and afterwards pardoned, has been shot in the fortress of Schlüsselbourg for having boxed the ears of a surgeon in the army.

An exhibition of woman's industries is to be held at Bristol, England, early next year to which the United States are invited to contribute. Its promoters are desirous that its principle feature should be specimens of such works as illustrate the progress made by women in industries demanding special technical and artistic training.

A writer of mathematical bent, says the *Scientific American*, finds from the census returns there are about 17,000 dentists in the United States, who, he estimates, pack into the teeth of the American people a ton of pure gold annually. Continuing his speculations, he predicts that in the twenty-first century all the gold will be buried in the graveyards.

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