

saints and all returning Elders who undertake to come through with companies, consider this subject and prepare yourselves accordingly.

During the general conference, just closed, the young people were counseled to obtain their endowments and marry; hence we wish it understood that we are prepared to give the saints their endowments in the House of the Lord, which has been built and dedicated expressly for that purpose; therefore, let parents, guardians, and bishops, take this matter properly in hand, and counsel freely with the young people and prepare them to receive their endowments and sealings. Young men, take unto yourselves wives of the daughters of Zion, and come up and receive your endowments and sealings, that you may raise up a holy seed unto the God of Abraham, even a holy and royal priesthood who shall be born legal heirs thereunto, having a right to the keys thereof and to administer in all the ordinances pertaining to the House of the Lord. Cease your folly and become men of God; act wisely and righteously before him, and his choice blessings will attend you.

We exhort all the saints to live righteously, to remember and keep their covenants with their God and with each other, to pay their tithing and make their consecrations in the spirit of liberality and in all good conscience, nothing doubting.

Keep the commandments of the Lord; observe the instructions and counsel you receive from those placed over you to preside; be faithful and industrious, economical and prudent; seek continually unto the Lord for wisdom and train up your children in his nurture and admonition, that when we shall have finished our pilgrimage upon the earth we may go hence in peace, having wrought righteousness and established justice thereon, and, through having fought the good fight and kept the faith, be prepared to come forth with a glorious resurrection to inherit eternal lives and exaltation, which may God grant, for his dear Son's sake: Amen.

BRIGHAM YOUNG,
JESSE C. KIMBALL,
JEDEDIAH M. GRANT.

G. S. L. City, Oct. 29, 1855.

THE DESERET NEWS.

TRUTH & LIBERTY.



ALBERT CARRINGTON.....EDITOR.

GREAT SALT LAKE CITY:
Wednesday-----October 31, 1855.

Wanted, at this office—a few tons of HAY—also FODDER and STRAW—for which a liberal price will be paid, if delivered soon!

The Theatre will open in the Social Hall on Wednesday, Nov. 7, with the 'Leap Year,' to conclude with songs, flute and clarinet solos and fancy dance.

The CALIFORNIA MAIL arrived on the 26th inst., at 3½ p.m., after having waited at San Bernardino for the mail steamer until the 7th, but it had not then arrived, hence there were only some dozen Upper Cal. exchange papers of rather ancient date, a few letters, and a part of the packages from our friend J. W. Sullivan.

In all candor, one is almost inclined to believe that the devil, or some other evil and unruly genius, controls Uncle Sam's postal facilities, for there is no mail from the east, when everybody knows that it might be carried without much, if any, extra trouble; and, although the mail is very regularly carried between here and the Cal. coast, there has been two consecutive slips in timely connection between San Francisco and San Pedro, which makes a two months' instead of monthly mail from the Queen City of the West. And that is not all, for the last mail should at least have brought all which had not come to San Pedro when the previous one left, but, as we have said before, it brought a mere handful, leaving all our Godey's Lady's Books and Harper's Magazines for August, the London Illustrated News and divers other papers in the Sullivan packages, and nearly every one of our exchanges from Upper Cal.

This, of course, could not have happened through the steamer's not arriving in time; therefore the carrying is not only out of joint, but a large amount of mail matter does actually stop short of its legal destination; what is done with it we will not, at present, pretend to say.

In the midst of all this we cannot help hoping and trusting that, in due time, all delinquent mail contractors and dishonest postmasters may see the time when they will all ——— do better.

No mail from the East since Sept. 5. When will it come again? Don't know? What is the matter? It is said that a few Indians are somewhere between here and Missouri.

Tabernacle.

SUNDAY, Oct. 28, 10 A. M.

Singing by the choir. Prayer by Elder Erastus Snow. Singing.

Elders William Glover and John S. Fullmer, lately returned, gave interesting accounts of their three years mission to England, briefly detailing the condition of the saints and people in that country, their travels by sea and land and the

blessings which attended them; bore testimony to the truth of the latter day work, and expressed their gratitude for the privilege of again meeting with their brethren and friends in the mountains.

Singing. Benediction by Prest. Grant.

2 P. M.

Singing. Prayer by Prest. Joseph Young. Singing.

The sacrament was administered, Bishop E. D. Woolley asking a blessing upon the bread and br. Barlow upon the water.

Elder Israel Barlow, late from his mission to England, rejoiced greatly in again beholding the countenances of his family and brethren here, bore his testimony of the truth of the gospel as believed by the Latter Day Saints, and testified to the fulfillment of the predictions pronounced upon his head at his departure.

Elder Milo Andrus, late from his mission to St. Louis, gave a short account of some incidents which happened in the 3d P. E. Fund company while crossing the plains.

Prest. B. Young mentioned that he had written to Elder F. D. Richards in Liverpool and to Elder O. Spencer in St. Louis not to make any arrangements for furnishing wagons or teams to the P. E. Fund passengers next season, remarking that they can draw their handcarts and walk through quicker, more pleasantly, and satisfactorily, than by the mode heretofore in practice, and at the saving of a great expense, thus enabling the Fund to far more extensively accomplish its object of gathering the poor.

In regard to going on missions, he said that he felt and always had felt ready to go or stay, to build and inhabit or to leave all at a moment's notice to go to the ends of the earth, and to cheerfully comply with every requirement of the Lord in reference to building up the kingdom of God on the earth. Blessed the saints, and all people who love the truth and delight in good and wholesome laws.

Singing. Benediction by President Kimball.

CITY ITEMS.—The Church Historian and Recorder's Office and connected dwelling are nearly inclosed.

A stone lion, of the size of life, most beautifully and correctly sculptured by br. William Ward, has been elevated to its position on the battlemented porch at the south end of President B. Young's large family dwelling, which is immediately west of and connected with the President's mansion, and the Governor's, President's and Tithing offices.

Many energetic hands are busily engaged on the Big Cottonwood Canal.

Our market is being well supplied with large stocks of goods, and more are coming.

Buildings and improvements of various kinds are constantly and rapidly being made; hence our citizens are so busy, peaceful and united that they furnish no spicy items with which to swell this list, and we sincerely trust they may always so continue.

Arrivals

FROM THE PLAINS, CARSON VALLEY AND FORT SUPPLY.—The 3d P. E. Fund company, under charge of Capt. Milo Andrus, arrived on the 24th inst.; Elders John S. Fullmer and Israel Barlow crossed the plains in this company.

Elders Chester Loveland, Seth Dustin, Geo. W. Hancock and Shepherd Hutchins arrived from Carson Valley, by the short route, on the 24th, bringing a favorable report from that region, though business was dull on account of the small number of travelers passing through this season. They were not molested by any Indians on the route.

Major R. T. Burton with a detachment of Life Guards returned, on the 26th, from their expedition to Fort Supply and the country adjacent, undertaken in compliance with orders to enquire into and suppress the hostility lately manifested by a few Snakes in that quarter. Maj. Burton reports all quiet, and the existence of friendly feelings on the part of the Indians whom he saw. The detachment met with no difficulty nor accident, and all returned in good health.

Capt. Charles A. Harper arrived, on the 29th, with the 2d P. E. Fund company, which closes the family immigration for this season. The Church and other merchandise trains are still out, though all are at Green river and this side, except the 3d train of T. S. Williams & Co., the whereabouts of which is still unknown here.

News from Elders.

SAN FRANCISCO—SAN BERNARDINO—LOS VEGAS—FILLMORE.—By letter from Elder Geo. Q. Cannon to Prest. B. Young, dated at San Francisco Aug. 31, we learn further of the success thus far uniformly attending the publication of the Book

of Mormon in the Hawaiian language, and make the following extracts:—

"The Lord has opened our way to exceed our expectations, and I have forcibly realized the truth of your words to me at Cedar city; and although we have done but little, up to the present, still when I consider the means with which it had to be accomplished it appears wonderful, and I feel to endorse, more heartily than ever if possible, the words of Nephi, when he says, 'The Lord giveth no commandment unto the children of men, save he shall prepare a way for them that they may accomplish the thing which he commandeth them.'"

"My fellow laborers, Joseph Bull and Matthew F. Wilkie are quite interested in having the work progress, and, judging by the spirit they have manifested, I am confident that they will do all in their power to fulfill their mission honorably."

"Br. Paul Smith, who went on a mission to Australia, in the fall of 1852, arrived here with his wife on the 24th of Aug. He left Australia, in company with Elders Burr Frost and Robert Owens, and about 50 saints from that region bound for San Pedro, en route for Utah, but in consequence of the vessel springing a leak they had to put into Honolulu, S. I. to repair. Repairing failed, and they had to put back to Honolulu, and br. Smith thinks the vessel will be condemned; he left the rest of the company there."

"On the 26th inst., br. Hugh Findley, br. Davis and family and br. Tate and child arrived from Bombay, via Hong Kong; they are all well and seem to be full of faith and the Spirit."

"Those of the church in this country, who have any of the leaven of truth about them, are anxious to get away and are exerting themselves for that purpose."

We have meetings every Sunday, and occasionally a few strangers attend, but there is not much spirit of enquiry among the people."

Br. R. R. Hopkins writes from San Bernardino to Prest. B. Young, Oct. 6, that the health of the people in that place was good and had been for some time past. They had elected all their county officers. Elders R. Allred, Keeler and E. Green had lately arrived from their mission to the Sandwich Islands, on their way to Utah, and a part of the Australian company which started under the care of br. B. Frost. It was reported that Elder Frost had reached San Francisco.

Brs. Lyman and Rich were in Upper Cal. and expected back in a few days.

Bros. Bringham, Snyder and Ricks, from Los Vegas, were in the place exchanging cattle and wagons for horses and mules. They got \$100 for good wagons, but only \$53 for a yoke of cattle, and that was considered a good price for that region.

Elder Wm. S. Covert, under date Oct. 16, states that the settlers in Los Vegas were in good health and spirits, though the Indians in that region were somewhat given to pilfering, and it required much forbearance on the part of the whites to get along with the unpleasant practices of their red neighbors.

They were building an adobe fort 154 feet square and 14 feet high; the houses are two stories in height.

This season's crops did not amount to much. Water is plenty, but the range for stock is limited and it is difficult to procure timber.

Gen. D. H. Wells received a letter from br. S. P. Hoyt, dated at Fillmore, Oct. 18, from which we learn that the carpenters, plasterers and glaziers were getting along rapidly with finishing the South Wing of the State House, and would probably be able to soon complete rooms sufficient for the accommodation of the next assembly. They continued to have fine weather.

The following is an extract of a letter from J. H. Kinkead, dated San Francisco, Oct. 1st, 1855:—

"We have a dispatch from Sacramento City of last evening, stating the arrival there of Capt. How. Egan in ELEVEN DAYS from Salt Lake City."

This is the fastest time on record.

FURTHER NEWS by the last mail from Cal. will appear in our next.

THE WEATHER still continues to be remarkably pleasant.

A SERIES OF LECTURES will be given by Elder Wm. Willes, late of the East India Mission, descriptive of that country, its people and productions; its social, religious, and national peculiarities, with illustrations, anecdotes, &c., that came within the scope of his own experience and observation during a period of 3 years residence in that distant part of the earth.

The lectures will commence on Wednesday evening next (Oct. 31) at 7 o'clock p.m. in the Social Hall, and will be continued at the Coun-

cil House, on each ensuing Wednesday, until completed.

Admittance 25 cents. Children, under 12 half price.

Tickets can be had at the Tithing Office, Governor's Office, Hennefer's Shaving Saloon, an Stewart's Store.

SUMMARY.

[From N. Y. Herald of Aug. 20.]

—Hon. Abbot Lawrence, of Boston, died at that city on the 18th of August; he was born at Groton, Mass., Dec. 16, 1792.

—Early in Aug. a free soiler was severely whipped in Atchison, K. T.; a meeting of the citizens was soon called which adopted stringent resolutions against the abolitionists.

—During one week, about the middle of Aug., there were 138 deaths from yellow fever in New Orleans. Aug. 19, the same disease was raging fearfully at Norfolk and Portsmouth, Virginia, and nearly all business was suspended, and great destitution prevailed.

—Cotton receipts at New Orleans had fallen off 178,000 bales compared with the same date of last year; rot and rust were injuring that staple in the vicinity of Natchez.

—Ex-Governor Wilson Shannon, of Ohio, has been appointed Governor of Kansas Ty.

—Paris, July 30. Preparations for the visit of Queen Victoria were being actively carried on at Paris, Saint Cloud, and Versailles, France.

—Madrid, July 26. Cholera still continues to invade all parts of Spain, and in some districts with frightful force. In Granada, where the population is small, the deaths were 2,500 during the past 19 days, and in the province of Madrid some villages had been almost entirely depopulated. In many of the provinces in Spain the crops of breadstuffs, potatoes, silk, wine, and other great staples have been scanty or lost.

—An earthquake has destroyed the village of Viege, Switzerland.

—A riot among firemen occurred in Philadelphia, Aug. 18, in which three of the rioters were shot dead.

—In Aug. cholera was killing off the people in Shelbyville, Kentucky.

CORRESPONDENCE.

TRIP TO PROVO.

G. S. L. CITY, Oct. 24, 1855.

EDITOR OF THE DESERET NEWS:—

Sir—Feeling considerably oppressed with a cold and confinement to the Historian's Office, I took passage on board the Southern mail wagon leaving G. S. L. City Post Office at 8 a.m. on Thursday the 18th inst. Our conveyance was an uncovered lumber wagon with a small box well filled with mail matter, the seat rather low which, with the addition of dust and a rutty road, rendered our ride not altogether comfortable, but what we lacked in conveniences was made up with the pleasantry of Mr. Booth, the driver, and that of the fellow passengers, and especially in being drawn by an excellent pair of mules.

After escaping the dangers of the numerous and wretched bad bridges, ditches, and mudholes across the roads in the Big Field, (which if the Attorney General of the Territory could find time to attend to and prosecute a few scores of men for digging water ditches across the mail roads without bridging them, it would be thousands dollars saved to the people in the shape of wagons, teams, and unbroken shins, not to name the numberless hard epithets indulged in on account of the negligence in this matter on the part of field owners and others,) and encountering the constant darkness from dust, which the north wind blew along with us, and following the zigzag track necessary to encounter the post offices, we arrived at Draperville at 1 o'clock, found the inhabitants engaged in building their Fort wall, which is on a more permanent plan than heretofore adopted. After doing ample justice to an excellent dinner, prepared by Mr. Ebenezer Brown, we pursued our zigzag course back again, jumping water ditches, to the State road which has recently been opened in a direct line from the point of the mountain to Lake City; but the mail contract again caused us to make a detour of one mile to the right to reach the post office at Lehi, where Uncle Sam's saddle bags were again duly overhauled.

The adobe work of the meeting house at Lehi is 12 feet high, and the materials lay round the building for the completion of the work. A large amount of excellent Spanish-wall fence has been recently built by the inhabitants of Lehi, enclosing their large field on the north-west side of the city. The people of Lake were engaged upon their city wall.

The adobe work of the meeting house at Pleasant Grove is completed, and it is a very creditable building. A considerable number of new private dwellings have been recently erected in these different settlements.

I arrived in Provo at 8 p.m., my cold having suffered no diminution from inhaling the dust and night air; found my family enjoying good health, and with a plenty of useful and ornamental furniture in the shape of loom, spinning wheels, warping bars and other household gear which indicate, to say the least, a healthy state of enterprise in my Provo residence.

Friday, spent the day in trenching manure round my fruit trees and irrigating ground for planting fruit seeds. Saturday was a general muster and military election.—Peter W. Conover was unanimously elected Brigadier General of the Utah Co. Militia; talk about division in Utah, why the old soldier had not a single opposition vote, and I got so much of the popular feeling that I tendered him my services as chaplain in his staff, so soon as they were all uniformed.

Major David Canfield, was elected Colonel of the 1st [Concluded on page 272.]