

like cats—not Kilkenny ones perhaps—on Saturday last.

Although the dispatches have been measureably silent about the movement for some time, eastern papers have had accounts of mysterious movements going on among the Fenians, of arms being shipped from place to place, of bodies of men concentrating at particular places, of feints being made on certain points, and other like rumors which argued that the "sons of the sod" had some inclination to change its hue, in some places, from their favorite green to one of blood. Now that a blow has been struck, what will be the result? Will they subside after a limited show of valor, and allow the would-be conquerors to become fugitives or have the lawyers fight it out and furnish necks for hempen cravats? Or will they rally men and means, try to overrun Canada, and form an Irish Republic on this side of the Atlantic to which they may bring the principal part of the people who inhabit the "Gim of the say? It is useless to speculate on these matters yet. There is no reliable information as to what force they can actually bring to bear in furthering their designs. If, as some papers assert, they can concentrate 100,000 men in a few days, all armed and equipped, many of them veteranized during the late rebellion, with an ample treasury and the non-interference of our own Government, they might do considerable damage in Canada before England could mass sufficient troops there to cope with them.

But the Government of the United States has interfered already, and the Fenians assembled at Eastport, Maine, some little time ago, were compelled to leave without accomplishing anything, in consequence of orders from the commander of the military district.

Canada has been in a state of excitement for some time. Her volunteers have been drilling, parading, maneuvering and becoming enthusiastically filled with a spirit of military ardor. They were full of fight, and not a bit loathe for a brush with their Fenian antagonists. If the latter have made a raid into the province in force, there may be some hard knocks going and a good deal of blood shed before many weeks pass over.

Likely Fenianism and its doings will be a prominent item in the telegraphic news for a time; and we may be treated to various bits of news concerning it, that, but for this affair opposite Fort Erie, would have passed over in silence.

#### HOME ITEMS.

**SABBATH MEETING.**—Elder Geo. Q. Cannon treated briefly on several principles of the Gospel, and on the means by which we obtain a knowledge of the truth, showing that the world have the same privilege extended to them, but they will not embrace it, and they, consequently, remain in darkness, subject to the power of evil.

Elder John Parry, sen. followed, speaking on the first principles of the gospel, and bearing testimony to the truth.

In consequence of the storm in the morning the attendance was rather small.

Afternoon:

Pres. D. H. Wells discoursed upon the opposition which the truth and its representatives have, and always have had, to contend with, and the causes of that opposition. The powers at work for the building up of the Kingdom of God, and those which seek its overthrow, are not confined to the visible agents that operate on the earth; but behind the veil, in the spirit world, the work is being carried on and will continue until the triumph of truth is consummated. If the Lord ever permits His people to be chastened, it is when they depart from Him and disobey His laws; then He permits the power of evil to afflict them, that they may be led to seek unto the Lord their God.

Pres. B. Young followed in a very instructive discourse, teaching the Saints with regard to the nature and character of the various influences that operate on the human family for good and evil.

He announced that it was expected Elder George A. Smith will continue his highly interesting historical lectures next Sunday morning.

**COOL AND SHOWERY** on the 2nd, 3d and 4th, lightening the labors of irrigation and causing luxuriant growth.

**THEATRICAL.**—There was a large audience on Saturday evening, the opening night of the season, which greeted the actors and the playing with frequent bursts of applause. The Gamster has become famous as a stock play in the repertoire of some of the best living actors, and contains some very fine points, though there is scarcely sufficient relief to the sombre nature of the characters represented, and the denouement is not in accordance with the rules of poetical justice, nor necessarily required by the action and incidents of the plot. The leading characters were in the hands of Julia Dean Hayne, Messrs. McKenzie & Lindsay, who did justice to them. Mrs. Bullock made her first appearance in this Theatre as Charlotte in the Gamster.

The farce of my Husband's Ghost is short, spicy, and replete with laughable incidents. Messrs. Margetts & Graham, with Mrs. M. G. Clawson, Miss Alexander and Mrs. Tyler had the piece in hands, and put it through in their usual style.

**DISTRICT COURT.**—This court commenced its session on Monday, 28th ult., before his Honor, Chief Justice John Titus. But little matter of interest to the general public has been before it. A few aliens being naturalized citizens of the United States, and several civil cases formed the principal business.

The right of the Attorney General of this Territory, his Deputy, or the Territorial Marshal to appear officially in the Court was disputed. The case was argued on Friday last, and his Honor gave his decision on Saturday morning, ruling that, as the Territorial officers named were appointed in accordance with an Act of the Legislative Assembly of Utah, which had been submitted to Congress and not disapproved, they were entitled to appear in their official capacity in the District Court.

**NABBED.**—On Thursday night or Friday morning last, a discharged "blue" named Dick Flynn and a compatriot of like proclivities, made a raid on Camp Douglas, and brought off a box of soldiers' clothing, which they hauled down to the city in a wagon and cached in a hay stack on Emigration Square. A non-commissioned officer communicated with the efficient city police officers, who were soon on the track of the thieves, and in a short time secured the box and locked up the scamps, until the whole were delivered over to the Camp authorities.

**TELEGRAM.**—We have been kindly furnished the following telegram to Pres. B. Young:—

Fort Laramie, June 2, 1866.  
Our trains are here all well, and in good traveling condition.  
JOSEPH S. RAWLINS.  
W. H. CHIPMAN.

**BUILDING UP.**—Quite a number of people from Silver Creek, Rhodes' Valley, and other little settlements, have taken advantage of an offer made them by Wm. H. Kimball, Esq., of land free on his ranch, and are moving and locating there, building up a nice little settlement close by Kimball's hotel.

**ST. GEORGE.**—Br. Ellis M. Sanders, writing from St. George, May 12th, says:—"The weather is fine. Wheat is in head; and I have seen some in head over two weeks. Everything looks prosperous. The gardens are rich with peas and other vegetables; potatoes are in blossom; currants and strawberries ripe; and in June the apricots will ready. Good prospects for peaches and grapes."

**EARLY VEGETABLES.**—New potatoes, cucumbers, green peas and strawberries, grown in Pres. B. Young's garden, were among the edibles served up at his breakfast table, on Friday morning, June 1st. Strawberries and peas were ripe some time ago, but the potatoes and cucumbers are decidedly early; yet with a little care and attention, on the part of those having gardens, these and a number of other vegetables might be enjoyed much sooner in the season than is now the case. "What one can do another can do," is an old axiom, and we see no reason why our citizens very generally should not earlier enjoy these things, which are really luxuries in the spring. By planting potatoes early, if they are an early kind, and mulching them well with straw or other light mulch, they will start and grow right along, a very little care being all that is requisite to preserve them from injury by late frosts. We expect to see more attention paid to raising early vegetables in future years, and with encouraging success.

**MEADOW VALLEY.**—We have been courteously favored by Elder George A. Smith, with a look at the survey map of Panaca, and the lands of Meadow Valley, made by Chandler Holbrook, Esq., and properly recorded. The quantity of land surveyed and taken up is considerable, and, judging by the map of Panaca, that place is likely to become a fine city. The people are making a nice settlement there, and if the mining operations at Pahrnatag should be half as successful as some people appear to think, they will have a market for their produce at a reasonable distance, as Meadow Valley is the nearest settled point to it. The survey is extensive and shows that the land is nearly all claimed by and surveyed for the settlers.

**MY HUSBAND'S GHOST.**—We saw My Husband's Ghost in full feather, in James Brown's window, west of the Theatre, on Saturday, done up in elegant confectionary, and as "sweet" as good sugar could make it. James is a great institution in the confectionary line, and some on candy nick-nacks and pretty little sweets generally.

**WASATCH COUNTY.**—Major Gen'l R. T. Burton, and his chief of staff, Col. D. J. Ross, returned to this city on Wednesday evening, 30th ult., after a trip to Provo Valley, during which they organized the militia of Wasatch county, pursuant to the general orders issued concerning militia organizations.

Gen'l Burton held an inspection and drill, at Heberville, on Saturday 26th ult., which was very satisfactory, the arms being efficient and the drill creditable. At an election of officers, Major Witt was placed in command of the District, which has three battalions,—one of cavalry and two of infantry, and is known as the Wasatch Military District. He chose Captain Charles Wilkin for his adjutant, and Thomas H. Giles for commissary. S. H. Eperson and John Hamilton were elected Majors; and William Wall, Captain of Cavalry, vice Wilkin promoted.

Col. Head, Superintendent of Indian Affairs, and Col. W. W. Smith, on their way to the Indian Reservation at Uinta Valley, were present during the inspection, drill and elections and expressed themselves highly gratified.

Gen'l Burton, Col. Ross and a party of men searched the mountains, canyons and ravines around that part of the country, for Indians, but could find no traces to them.

The people from Round Valley had moved in to Heberville, bringing their stock with them, which was securely guarded and well looked after. Bishop Murdoch had used every endeavor to make the people who had thus moved in as comfortable as possible, every available house being placed at their disposal.

The settlers on the other side of the river had concentrated and built a fort on Snake Creek, which they expect will be sufficiently secure.

Gen'l Burton has a good grist mill in operation at Heberville, but the road to it is bad and crooked. He had a saw-mill at work up the canyon, which is not running at present, however, in consequence of the supposition that hostile Indians might make an appearance.

**UTAH CO.**—Bishop A. Johnson, of Springville, tells good things of Springville, and Utah county generally. Prospects are good for the growing crops. The spirit of enterprise continues to manifest itself. Buildings are progressing in Springville, the meeting house keeps growing towards completion, and everything is prospering around. The Bishop appreciates the News; he is sound in both head and heart.

**MORONI.**—Bishop Bradley writing from Moroni, Sanpete, May 27th, informs that at date of his letter the waters were very high, the Sanpitch was out of its banks, and the road and stream were impassable by ordinary travel. A ferry boat, however, was in operation, so that travelers could continue their journey. They have had some fine showers there this spring, as well as other parts of the Territory, and crops are looking well. Elders John Van Cott and Canute Petersen preached in Moroni on the afternoon of the 27th ult., exhorting the Saints to increased good works, and the people felt blessed under their teachings.

Many thanks, Bishop; your favors are always welcome.

**FROM MILLERSBURG.**—Elder H. W. Miller writes from Millersburg, under date May 12th:—"All is quiet with us here. Our crops look well. We had a light frost on the 6th and 7th, but it did no harm. Our local Conference commenced at St. George on the 4th, and lasted three days. Although the weather was windy and cold for the season, and for holding meeting under a bowery, there was a good turn out, nearly every settlement in "Dixie" being represented. Much good teaching and instructions were given by Pres. Snow and others. Mr. Diblee passed here last week, en route for the warehouse at Callville."

**STARTED.**—Elder John Sharp, Jun., left New York on Wednesday, 30th ult., on his way home to this city.

**INFORMATION WANTED** of the whereabouts of JAMES WADSWORTH, who once owned a lot in the 11th Ward of this city. Address "M," Box 234, Post Office, Great Salt Lake City.

**ARRIVALS.**—Elders John W. Young and William Jennings, arrived in Liverpool on Saturday, April 14th, per steamship Australasian. These brethren had a pleasant voyage across the water, with the exception of when about two days out from Queenstown, they experienced a gale than which none this season has been more severe, and during which three persons were thrown with such violence as to break their legs, and one other had a knee joint dislocated.

Elder Jennings will remain in this country a few weeks, visiting his friends and relatives, for which purpose he came, also preaching the gospel as circumstances may permit, and then return to his home in Great Salt Lake City.

Elder John W. Young will remain, discharging the duties of his mission as he may be directed.

**DEPARTURE.**—President Brigham Young, Jun., left Liverpool on Thursday, April 19th, accompanied by Elder John W. Young, for Hamburg, via London, Dover and Calais, on business connected with the Scandinavian Emigration. He will return in about one week.

**RELEASE AND APPOINTMENTS.**—Elder Aurelius Miner has been released from laboring in the Edinburgh Conference, and appointed to labor in the Liverpool Office.

Elder John W. Young has been appointed to labor under the direction of the Liverpool Presidency.

**BRIGHAM YOUNG, JUN.**  
President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the British Isles and adjacent countries.  
[Millennial Star.]

**RICHMOND.**—Br. A. C. Brower, called in to see us on Tuesday, and gave a good report of Richmond in Cache Valley, and the "region round about." He left there on Sunday, 3d inst., at which date everything was flourishing, crops looked fine, and irrigation had thus far been dispensed with, the copious rains watering the soil sufficiently. The co-operative store in Richmond is thriving. It was commenced about the middle of February last, and the sales already have amounted to over \$2,000, while the stock covers about \$3,000. The store, we understand, has met general approval.

**HORSE THIEVES.**—We have learned of a case of thieving which occurred at Ogden lately, and resulted in the death of one of the thieves. Hy. Hunt and James Dort, both noted rowdies, after having stolen considerable round, seemed to have decided on a move. Hunt stole a horse belonging to his father, and gave it to Dort, when they moved north for a distance and parted. Hunt was arrested near Brigham City, on a warrant, and lodged in jail; and Dort was followed and made a prisoner between Beaver River Station and Cache Valley. He tried to escape from the officers, and rode off; when ordered to stop he only rode the swifter, upon which he was fired at and dropped.

**CALENDAR.**—We call the attention of our readers to the monthly calendar for June, which has been very courteously compiled for the News by Elder Wm. Clayton.

**HONEY.**—On Tuesday morning a quantity of beautiful honey, weighing about forty-five pounds, was taken from two of Pres. Young's hives. Get bees, keep bees, and thus obtain honey, all you who like it, and that is nearly everybody. Another swarm has been thrown off from one of the hives since our last notice.

**BUTTERFIELD'S.**—McWhirt's train of the Butterfield's has been camped this side the mouth of the canyon since Friday evening last. Some of the merchants who have goods in it, are beginning to feel rather wrothy, and not without reason. The people who sent their money back last spring, and whose goods have been kept back, have manifested a degree of patience, under the circumstances, that is not often to be met with. It is time that the Company or its representatives should do something more than they have done, as a simple act of justice to the people.

**POLICE.**—On Saturday night four "drunks" were arrested, having manifested strong pugilistic proclivities. They were provided with lodgings, and requested to hand over \$10 each for being "light" and disturbing the peace.

On Sunday morning Mike Duane was taken in charge for being drunk and disorderly, and fined in \$10.

**BROKEN.**—The ferry boat across the Weber, this side of Ogden, met an accident on Saturday night last, while carrying a heavy wagon over the river, and was broken. Fortunately but little other damage was done, and no lives lost.

The following communication will be interesting, if only as an item of history, relating, as it does, to the death of a very estimable young man, who was killed by Indians during the first Indian difficulty that we had in this Territory after settling it:—

Provo, May 27th, 1866.

ELDER G. A. SMITH,

DEAR BRO:—I received your letter requesting me to give you some information respecting my son Joseph, who was killed by the Indians in 1850.

Joseph Higbee, son of Isaac Higbee and Keziah String, was born Dec. 15th, 1830, at Cincinnati, Ohio, and was killed by the Indians near where the bridge now is on the Provo river, on the 9th day of Feb., A. D., 1850, being 19 years, 10 months and 25 days old when killed. He was baptized when a boy, perhaps 8 or 9 years old, not recorded by me. I think he was ordained into the quorum of Seventies in Nauvoo, perhaps the 23d or 24th quorum. I have delayed writing, to make enquiry concerning his ordination, but have not learned anything more than that he was ordained into a quorum of Seventies. He was a good, honest boy, and willing to obey counsel. He said the day before he was killed, that he thought some of us would be killed the next day. Amanda McEwan said, "Perhaps it will be you." "Well," he said, "it might as well be me as anybody."

I was President and Bishop at the time he was killed.

ISAAC HIGBEE.

WEBER CITY, May 24, 1866.

EDITOR DESERET NEWS,

DEAR BRO:—Having finished my spring seedling, and it being a rainy morning, to beguile a few moments I thought I would pen a few lines concerning this isolated part of the world—North Weber Valley. I have read the various reports of brethren from different parts of the Territory with pleasure, and should be glad if I could give as favorable a report of our northern home. But I can say the spirit of reformation is among us; improvements are being made and more talked of. One great drawback here is that awful gorge between Morgan county and Davis. It is impossible, for three months in the year, to travel through the canyon with safety, but our hopes brighten. Judging from the reports of some of the Directors and the Superintendent of the Weber Canyon Road Company, we will have a highway that is passable ere long. The weather here brings past scenes to my mind, even old York State, the place of my nativity. We have the former and latter rains.

On the 1st ult, some 56 teams passed here, wending their way to the frontiers, to gather up the poor Saints. They were from Bountiful, Farmington, Box Elder, etc. The boys were cheerful although they had a rough road to travel thus far, and a rainy night. The prospect is there will be double the quantity of grain and hay in this valley this season compared with last.

Your brother

THOMAS COLEBORN.