

ly recede from their position. In any event we believe the Legislature will take an enlightened and impartial view of the subject, and will not hastily deprive a corporate body of an important portion of its chartered jurisdiction.

A WORD OF WARNING.

THE true policy of the people who have made this Territory is union in all things. Political union is a necessity to their safety and essential to their progress. This should be maintained in every public measure. The municipal election shortly to take place offers an opportunity for a practical exhibition of that unity which we claim as a distinctive feature of our faith. Latter-day Saints should not countenance disunion nor support division. Begin to divide on small things and they will soon be split into fragments on greater things and become an easy prey to their enemies. One policy, one ticket, one ballot for all. "Whatever is more or less than this cometh of evil."

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The wreck of the *Metropolis* is one of the most terrible marine disasters of the times. Read the full account in our dispatches.

A school-house lot in a New Hampshire district stands in three towns, so that the pupils sit in Rindge, the teacher in New Ipswich, and recess is taken in Ashburnham, Mass.

The petrified giant business pays well. The Colorado humbug stone man, netted Conant, the "discoverer" \$13,000 in cash. Now for the next "petrification."

An Irishman named Corrigan died a short time since at New York, aged 105 years and 7 months. He was very temperate, and did not use tobacco in any form.

Omaha is to have works for the manufacture of white lead. A company has been formed, to erect a factory, with a capital of \$60,000. President, Wm. Paxton; Vice President, Gen. C. W. Meade; Secretary and Treasurer, N. Shelton.

Horseflesh is used extensively in Paris in lieu of beef. It is much less in price, but the equines used for meat are those which are useless for work by reason of age or lameness. We don't hanker after that kind of diet.

J. J. H. Gregory, of Marblehead, Massachusetts, will send a fine illustrated catalogue of vegetable and flower seeds free to any applicant. It contains 52 pages, including many useful items for farmers and gardeners.

The Sultan has consented to the terms proposed by Russia as peace preliminaries. But up to the present time the world is kept in ignorance as to what those terms may be. Russia seems to be playing a smart game with Great Britain.

Slade, the spiritualist, does not flourish in Europe as he did in the United States. Swindlers are not treated with the same degree of forbearance in the "effete monarchies" as in this vigorous republic. Prosecuted in England he fled to the continent and has been run out of several countries, "spirits" and all. America offers the freest field for the "mediums."

Musical Hours, considering the amount of good music it contains and the style in which it is published, is the cheapest musical monthly in the country. Valued at the rate of sheet music, each number is worth \$2.80 and a year's volume \$33.60. Yet it is published at \$1.50 per annum. Calder and Careless are agents for Utah.

The street railroad company of this city, it appears, intend to reduce their rates, so that all persons who invest a dollar at a time can ride in the street cars for five cents a trip. In consideration of this reduction the City Council will postpone the per capita taxation for three years. This is all good, and for the public benefit. The people now living in the south-west portion of the city would greatly rejoice if the lines were extended into their muddy district, and we think would patronize the street cars as well as any portion of the city.

"Hanging's played out, an' a feller don't get more'n two years any way" was the remark of a Chicago murderer. The consequence is that, as an exchange states, one assassination a week is the rule in that lively city. Death for wilful murder, is the penalty affixed by Divine command and imposed by human law in the best governed communities.

The Peruvians want what Americans wish to get rid of. Chinese cheap labor is the bugbear of the Pacific coast and a trouble to our statesmen. But the Peruvian government welcomes John to the plantations, has granted a subsidy of \$120,000 to a company to run a line of steamers to Hong Kong, and guarantees the freedom of the country and eighty cents a day to coolie laborers.

We learn from the *Junction* that the "Ogden House" property has passed into the hands of the firm of J. E. Dooly and Co., who intend erecting an elegant banking establishment on the corner, and a mercantile house adjoining on the south. This firm enjoys a first class reputation among the commercial men of Ogden, and is composed of shrewd and gentlemanly financiers. The change will be an important improvement to the Junction City.

Several years ago a wealthy planter and three of his slaves were executed at Rio Janeiro for murder and arson. The house of one of his tenants was burned, after a young and handsome girl of sixteen had been outraged and all the inmates of the house, eight in number, had been murdered. Circumstantial evidence pointed to Motta Coqueiro, the planter, as the chief criminal, and despite his protestations of innocence, he and three of his slaves, supposed to be implicated in the affair, were hanged. Quite recently a dying man in the north-west part of the province confessed that he and other desperadoes committed the fearful crimes, killing the family and burning the house to conceal the outrage upon the girl. This is another awful case of the danger of reliance upon circumstantial evidence alone.

Ogden City has emerged again from the contagion which caused so much alarm as to necessitate the establishment of quarantine regulations. After the death of the two persons who were first attacked, the cases which occurred were only varioloid, and the disease has now disappeared. The board has raised the quarantine, and public meetings and schools will be again permitted on and after to-morrow. The care and caution exhibited by the authorities are highly commendable, and although business naturally suffered somewhat from the regulations established, the city was probably saved from a calamity similar to that from which it had previously suffered so much. We hope Ogden will now be entirely free from these drawbacks and will move forward steadily to that important position which may be safely predicted in view of its natural advantages.

Local and Other Matters.

FROM TUESDAYS DAILY, FEB. 5.

That Lecture. — Hon. Moses Thatcher will deliver his lecture to-night. Go and hear it, he is a lecturer of marked ability.

Letters. — At the Historian's Office in this city, there are letters for Miss Eliza Filce; William S. Geddes; Miss Randine Pederson, care Emil Hantvigsen.

Not Much. — There has been less snow in Cache Valley thus far this winter than in any season since its settlement. Only about two inches have fallen at Logan.

Notice. — I do hereby withdraw my name from the so-called Conservative Ticket for the forthcoming municipal election. Wm. H. ROWE. Salt Lake City, Feb. 5, 1878.

Disreputable. — A colored woman, named McGee, was fined \$15 this morning, by Justice Pyper, for disturbing the peace and keeping a disorderly house. The den of which she is an inmate is situated in an alley below Second South Street, on First East.

Social Pic-nic. — We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to a social gathering, to be given at the

12th District School-house, on Friday, Feb. 8th. The managing committee are, W. F. Cahoon, Chas. W. Hardy and Joseph Lyon. Mesdames Priscilla Staines, Christiana Pyper and Sophia Hardy are the reception committee.

The occasion is the completion of the building throughout. The dedicatory services will be conducted at 2 p.m., on the date named, the picnic will begin at 4, and a ball will be opened at 7.

Mutual Improvement. — Probably as much interest is taken in the mutual improvement work among the young people of Cache County Stake as any part of the Territory. A general meeting of the associations of the County was held in the basement of the Logan Tabernacle, which was nearly filled last Sunday night, Elder George L. Farrell presiding. Reports were given of the condition and progress of the several societies of the Stake by their presidents, all of which were very encouraging.

Elders J. F. Wells, Geo. C. Lambert and B. F. Cummings, Jr., of this City, members of the Central Committee, were present and addressed the congregation.

When the last statistical reports were handed in it was showed that the membership of the combined associations of the County numbered 856, and there has been a goodly addition since.

Another Ticket. — A number of persons who dissent from the ticket nominated by the People's Convention, held last Friday night, met, to the number of about 25 or 30, at the Emporium Hall. Mr. Bolivar Roberts occupied the chair and Mr. Albert Dewey was appointed secretary.

It was decided to nominate what the meeting was pleased to call a "People's Conservative Ticket," and we herewith give the one that was adopted.

For Mayor — Feramor Little. Aldermen — 1st precinct, Adam Spiers; 2nd, Henry Dinwoodey; 3rd, A. H. Raleigh; 4th, John Sharp; 5th, Alex. C. Pyper.

Counclors — John Wayman, F. K. Benedict, James W. Cummings, Elias Morris, Phillip Pugsley, John H. Smith, William H. Rowe, Thomas W. Jennings, John H. Russell.

Recorder — Charles Smith. Treasurer — Paul A. Schettler. Marshal — Thomas Dobson.

A provision was made to fill vacancies, should any occur from any of the candidates refusing to allow their names to be used, by the election of J. M. Benedict, Sidney Dewey and Albert Dewey, as alternates.

Weather Report. — By courtesy of Superintendent Dougal, of the Deseret Telegraph, we are enabled to publish the following weather report, received over the wires today.

Paris, Idaho — About two inches of snow on the ground, but fine.

Franklin, Idaho — Snowing hard. Brigham City — It has been snowing all day and is still snowing.

Woods Cross — It has been raining and snowing all day, but none now. It looks like more.

St. George — Warm and pleasant; nice shower last night.

Tokerville — Cloudy and windy; rained all night.

Springville — Rain and snow; blowing quite cold.

Silver Reef — Cloudy and windy; rained and blowed all night.

Provo — Been raining and snowing all day; very muddy and windy.

Winsor — Snow about 4 inches; cloudy.

Kanab — Snow about three inches deep; thawing now.

Orderville — Snow about one inch deep; cloudy.

Monroe — Cloudy and warm; snowed a little last night.

Richfield — Very cloudy; snowed a little last night.

Moroní — About an inch of snow; very cloudy.

Mount Pleasant — Snowed about two inches last night, still snowing.

Manti — Snowing; snow seven inches deep.

Ephraim — Snow four inches deep; very cloudy.

American Fork — Snowed two inches this a. m.; blowing and thawing now; very cloudy.

Fountain Green — Cloudy; about one inch of snow.

Salina — Snow about two inches deep; looks like more.

Glenwood — It has been snowing all morning; looks like more.

Beaver — Very wintry; snow falling; blowing hard.

Parowan — Cloudy; about three inches of snow.

Payson — Cloudy; appearance of storm.

Nephi — Snow about three inches deep; still snowing.

Fillmore — Cloudy; been snowing all morning; five inches on the ground.

Hebron — It snowed a little; cloudy, windy and cold.

Peremptory Mandamus. — The following is an order of Court issued in the case of Bostwick vs Clayton:

The petition in this case alleges among other things that the petitioner served as a grand juror in the Third District Court in 1877, and got a properly authenticated certificate, which he presented in proper business hours to the defendant as auditor of public accounts for the Territory of Utah; and that the defendant then and there refused to audit the same, and therefore prays an alternative writ of mandamus, etc., and an order to show cause why a peremptory writ should not be issued against him.

The alternative writ of mandamus was issued and served and the defendant appeared in Court, and by way of showing cause answered and demurred in part to said petition. The answer set up that before the presentation of the certificate of plaintiff the appropriation made by the Territorial Legislature for that purpose had been exhausted, so that he was not by law authorized or permitted to audit, allow, or draw warrants for any additional sum of money for that purpose, etc.

The act of Congress in relation to courts of this Territory provides that the costs and expenses of all prosecutions for offenses against any law of the Territorial Legislature shall be paid out of the treasury of the Territory.

Section 2385, Compiled Laws, provides that jurors' fees shall be \$2 per day.

Section 49, Compiled Laws, provides that "the Auditor of Public Accounts shall examine and audit all public accounts connected with the pecuniary accounts of the Territory."

Section 353, Compiled Laws, among other things provides that Auditor's warrants shall be received on Territorial taxes and county orders on county taxes in the respective counties.

The certificate of the plaintiff clearly shows that his claim was for per diem fees as a grand juror for serving in cases arising under the laws of the Territorial Legislature. His claim was clearly within the provisions of said section 49, which requires the Auditor to audit the accounts connected with the pecuniary affairs of the Territory.

I have found nothing in the statutes requiring the Auditor to issue treasury warrants for these claims before an appropriation is made for their payment; but they are to be audited and reported to the Governor.

I think a certificate of indebtedness is all that can issue until an appropriation to pay this indebtedness is made by the Legislative Assembly. When such an appropriation is made, then upon the surrender of the certificate of indebtedness aforesaid an auditor's warrant, such as is mentioned in said section 353, should issue.

It is therefore ordered by the Court that the alternative writ of mandamus heretofore issued requiring said Wm. Clayton as Auditor to audit the said claims of Geo. W. Bostwick as a grand juror be made peremptory.

M. SCHAEFFER, Judge. Jan. 29th, 1878.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

COUNCIL.

February 5.

Councillor Smoot, chairman of the committee on municipal corporations, reported back C. F. 14, "To amend an act to incorporate Logan City," without amendments, and recommended that it be called up in its order and put upon its passage; report accepted and the bill laid on the table accordingly. The second reading of C. F. 11 "Bill to regulate the mode of procedure in criminal cases," was resumed, pending which we went to press.

HOUSE.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Roll call; quorum present.

Prayer by the chaplain.

Mr. Rockwood presented a peti-

tion from Seymour B. Young, M. D., J. F. Hamilton, M. D. et al, for the establishment of charitable, industrial, and reformatory institutions in the Territory of Utah; read and, on motion of Mr. Rockwood, referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Rockwood presented a petition from W. B. Dougal, manager of the Deseret Telegraph Company, for payment of \$70.40, on account of the late Territorial school superintendent, Robert L. Campbell; read and referred to the committee on claims and appropriations.

Mr. Taylor presented the report of the Territorial Superintendent of common schools for the years 1876 7.

Correspondence.

Items from St. George.

ST. GEORGE, Jan. 24, 1878.

Editors Deseret News:

If you are not satisfied with news from this little town, I will try to give you a few items. As usual, the Temple is open three days in the week for endowments, and one for baptisms. Companies full, and workers cheerful. As to the weather, it is delightful, clear, bright and warm. Gardeners are already beginning early spring work. The rains have made happy faces and light hearts. For if there are a people on the face of the earth who know how to appreciate a good wholesome, steady rain it is the good people of our Dixie. We have been having too many amusements lately. During the holidays the young people carried their dancing parties to quite an excess. Our President, ever watchful of our interest, suggested a change, and proposed a couple of theatrical entertainments, the first of which will be on the 26th. Our amateurs are endeavoring to make the affair a success.

The general interests of one and all seem to be centered on the Temple. People come in from all parts to do work here. Some few of our citizens take stock in and waste their substance on mines, but not to any great extent. The ladies generally are quite active and busy. R. S. and M. I. A. are in a flourishing condition. Correspondents to your paper seldom give the sisters a notice, but I am of the opinion that their works should at least receive a word of encouragement. It is our mothers and wives who do all the heavy work preparatory to the work in the Temple. Few brethren stop to consider how heavy and hard is the labor required to make clothing clean and white as they wish, and this work requires. And sometimes when I think of how our mothers and wives struggle to please us, and how little we care about it, I feel ashamed for mankind generally. To run abruptly off on to another subject, when I reflect upon the good the sisters do with their hands, and the harm they do with their tongues—ah me, it causeth me to mourn with exceeding grief! But after all I think three men congregated together in a shoe shop can talk more scandal in an hour than so many women can in a week. To speak seriously on this subject, I wish the Saints could only know how great the evil, and how pernicious the practice. St. George is by no means exempt.

General improvements are going steadily on. The work that has been done on the Temple Block this winter by the brethren is really deserving of the highest praise.

Apostle Wilford Woodruff arrived here on Tuesday, in excellent health and spirits. The people are glad to have him live here once more.

Not much sickness. Brother J. E. Moody buried an infant child today, the first death for some time. (SWINSON.)

DIED.

In this city, Feb. 3d, 1878, of throat and lung disease, JOSEPH, son of William and Fanny Williams, aged two years and four months.

In Manti, January 21st, 1878, of inflammatory fever, MARIAN W. BENCH, wife of John L. Bench.

Sister Bench was born in Norfolk, England, January 9th, 1848; was baptized into the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints by Elder C. V. Spencer, in 1861, and crossed the plains in a hand cart company in 1862. She was an affectionate wife, a kind mother and leaves a large circle of friends to mourn her death. She died as she had lived, a consistent Latter-day Saint. —(Com.)