

insurrectionary movement where they seek to obtain possession of the soil. A disaffected population in England, and in Scotland, ready at any moment to break out in open rebellion; and a large organized force of Fenians in the United States, threatening the border of the new Dominion of Canada, would divide attention with Ireland, the chief point of attraction; and it seems probable that the Fenian leaders imagine they can harass the British Government in this way, until they can secure moral support and practical aid from some of the great powers, designing then to strike an effectual blow for the establishment of an Irish Republic.

However wild their schemes may be, they are evidently bent on making trouble, and may be ranked among the great disturbing elements of the age.

THE ELDERS IN EUROPE.—From a letter, under date of Oct. 26th, written by Elder Franklin D. Richards, President of the European Mission of the Church, to President Brigham Young, we are kindly permitted to copy the following items of interest respecting the Elders abroad.

"Since my last, Elders Levi W. Richards, Nephi Fawcett, Henry McCullough and Edwin Walker have had the small pox, but are now either well or recovering. Levi had it very severely, and it was then followed by several very bad abscesses, all which reduced him very low. The others had ordinary attacks, excepting Bro. Walker, who had it but lightly. They had the best of attention, and have appeared to get along as well as possible under the circumstances. Elder Edgar Dalrymple, in Channel Islands, has been very low of a fever, but is now at his labors again.

"Immediately on receipt of your letter, dated August 29th, I published the portion relating to the health of the Elders, and br. Moses Thatcher's reply to my letter to him about his health, in *Star* No. 40, for October 5th, and made some remarks upon the subject in an editorial. The condition and health of the Elders have been much improved thereby, and I know of no one who would feel it a privilege—or whom I think it expedient to release—to return home.

The cost of keeping up the Hollandish mission has become so great, that I have thought it best to retrench by appointing br. F. A. Brown to labor in England.

Elder Widerborg is about to test the religious liberty professed in the Constitution of the North German Confederation, by sending Elders into the Duchies of Schleswig Holstein.

HOME ITEMS.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY.

CONGRATULATORY.—We take much pleasure in publishing the following congratulatory messages forwarded on the Deseret Telegraphic Line, on the opening of offices at American Fork and Springville.

American Fork, Nov. 20.

PRESIDENT B. YOUNG:

Office open here at 9 a. m., Clarissa Amelia Webb, daughter of Pardon Webb, of Payson, Operator.

A. M. MUSSER.

American Fork, Nov. 20.

PRESIDENT B. YOUNG:

We congratulate you upon the opening of a Telegraph office at this place. May the President and Directors of the Deseret Telegraph Line ever remain closely connected. Accept our regards.

L. E. HARRINGTON.

President's Office, Great Salt Lake City, November 21, 1867.

Bishop L. E. HARRINGTON, American Fork:

The successful establishing of an office at your place, and communication being opened with this city, is truly a matter of gratulation; and long may the wire flash back the success of the enterprising citizens of American Fork.

BRIGHAM YOUNG.

Great Salt Lake City, Nov. 20.

To the Bishop and people of American Fork:

I congratulate you on your telegraphic communication with Great Salt Lake City and the principal towns of the Territory.

GEO. A. SMITH.

Springville, Nov. 21, 1867.

PRESIDENT YOUNG:

We opened the office here at half past eight a. m. Wm. Bryan is, for the time being, the operator. Elizabeth Parkes fills the office at Nephi.

A. MILTON MUSSER.

Springville, Nov. 21.

PRESIDENT B. YOUNG, Greeting:

Through the blessings of God and the brethren's exertions, we are now in instant communication with your Office and the entire Territory. We expect to be greatly blessed by the Union. May peace and happiness attend you.

A. JOHNSON.

President's Office, Nov. 21.

Bishop A. JOHNSON, Springville:

Your congratulatory message is received. May your expectations be more than realized, and the electric fluid ever bring the desired intelligence of your growing prosperity.

BRIGHAM YOUNG.

NEW OFFICES.—As will be seen by the congratulatory messages published in this number, new telegraph offices, on the Deseret Telegraph Line, have been opened at American Fork and Springville. In addition to these an office was opened at Kaysville, north, on the 8th inst.; and as we are going to press we learn that one is opened at Spanish Fork.

Several others will be opened soon, thereby placing a number of rapidly growing settlements in direct communication with all the principal parts of the Territory. We congratulate the inhabitants of those places in having put within their reach the full benefits of the telegraphic wire.

JORDAN IRRIGATION COMPANY.—On Wednesday, the 13th inst., Messrs. G. A. Smith, Enoch Reese, A. H. Raleigh, G. E. Wallace, R. L. Campbell and Wilford Woodruff, members of the Board of the Jordan Irrigation Company, accompanied by Messrs. Joseph A. Young, C. H. Bassett and E. Roberts, with other members of the Company, made an excursion to the canals and embankments constructed on the west side of the Jordan. They found that the canals had been excellently located, but that they need enlarging to convey a sufficient quantity of water; and they decided that it would be necessary to dispense with the reservoir, the water in which rapidly disappears by evaporation. This latter will be done by constructing canals around what has been the reservoir; and the land which was thus occupied, amounting to several hundred acres, will be converted into meadowland.

On the next evening, Thursday, 21st, the Directors and a considerable number of the members met and resolved to widen the canal from fifteen feet at the bottom to twenty feet, with the sides to slope at an angle of thirty-three degrees, thereby securing them against slipping in. The earth thus taken out, will be used to strengthen and lighten the embankment on the east side of the canal, wherever it is found necessary; which will carry the water from one and a half to two feet higher than it now does. For this purpose they determined to levy a rate of \$2 per acre on the land to be benefited by the work. This action of the Board of Directors will, we have no doubt, be highly satisfactory, as well as interesting to all who have taken up land west of the river.

TRIED TO ESCAPE.—On yesterday evening, about dark, two of the convicts who were engaged working for the city, stepped behind the granary, back of the City Hall, for wood, and delaying their return to an unusual length of time, some of the officers went to see where they were. After searching awhile the officers concluded that the missing men must be under the granary, which is raised above the ground; and a long pole being found insufficient to start them from their hiding place, three pistol shots were fired in which were found effectual, the two individuals making an appearance fortunately unhurt. They were hiding preparatory to making an attempt to escape.

THEATRICAL.—On Tuesday night the comedy of "Meg's Diversion" was presented for the first time. It is a good comedy, was very well played, and will do to repeat at an early date. "Sketches in India" followed and made an unlimited amount of mirth. Amy and Mr. Stone and the company were very successful in both pieces.

To-night the sensation play, in five acts, entitled "Black Sheep, or the Brand of Society" will be played for the first time. It is a very exciting play, with the incidents so numerous and well arranged that the interest is sustained throughout.

FROM WEBER COUNTY.—We had the pleasure of a call from Bishop C. W. West of Ogden this morning, who informs us that the bridge across the Weber river which was careened over, has been raised to its original position and they are driving poles and putting beams under it to keep it there. The only trouble that is anticipated is to get the river to run respectably in its ordinary channel, and under the bridge, as it manifests a turbulent disposition at times, and inclines to carve out a new channel west of the bridge. The people of Ogden are also taking steps to build another bridge over the Weber, at the west end of the street on which the tithing office stands; and they have also taken up 5.00 acres of land west of Ogden, on the bottom between Plain City and Kaysville, in the neighborhood of Captain W. H. Hooper's old ranch. All of which manifests improvement and enterprise. Ogden is a thriving place.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY.

LINE DOWN.—No dispatches to-day in consequence of the line being down somewhere east of Sulphur Springs.

GRATULATORY MESSAGES.—The following messages passed on the wires of the Deseret Telegraph Line, on the opening of the office at Spanish Fork, noticed yesterday:

Spanish Fork, Nov. 21.

PRESIDENT B. YOUNG:

We rejoice in telegraphic communication at this place. Thank you and those associated for this blessing. May it be followed by its usual companion, the "iron horse."

A. K. THURBER.

President's Office, Nov. 21.

A. K. THURBER, Spanish Fork.

The unprecedented success of the Telegraph, since its erection in this Territory, is certainly matter of gratulation; and we trust the most isolated settlements in Utah may, ere long, be brought into instant communication with our respective cities.

BRIGHAM YOUNG.

CHANGES IN MAILS LEAVING.—The following changes in the departure of mails from this city have been made: The northern mail now leaves at 6 a. m., instead of 6½ a. m. as formerly; the western leaves at 7 a. m. instead of 7½ a. m.; and the eastern leaves at 6 p. m. instead of 6½ a. m.

DELEGATE HOOPER.—The following telegram has been received by President B. Young:—

Washington, D.C., Nov. 21.

PRESIDENT B. YOUNG:

Arrived at noon to-day, all right.

W. H. HOOPER.

THEATRICAL.—The sensation play of "Black Sheep" was performed last night very successfully, all the principal parts being well sustained. The deep devotion of Harriet Routh to her husband, and her undying love amid all his villainies, until the tragic end, seem to be the redeeming features in her character; and show that under other auspices she would have been a noble, devoted, excellent woman. Amy Stone sustained the character in her usual natural and artistic manner. Mr. Stone

as Jim Swain made considerable mirth with his eccentricities and comicallities, while attending to his "odd jobs." Mr. Lindsay was very good as Routh; Mr. Margetts was quite felicitous as Harris. The other ladies and gentlemen in the cast acquitted themselves in their customary manner.

This play is to be repeated to-morrow evening, and should draw a crowded house.

SWINDLERS.—A gentleman has handed to us a lithographed letter and a hand bill, that purport to come from J. E. Brennan & Co., New York, one of the numerous manifest swindles by which many people are robbed of, at times, large sums of money, and to which we now direct attention. In this circular a proposal is made to the person to whom it is sent, that if he will send \$20 in gold to the address given, there will be returned to him lottery tickets secured to win \$100; with the distinct understanding that he is to show the money around, tell that he won it in a lottery by drawing a prize, and thereby induce others to forward money for the same purpose. The person must be very silly indeed, who would invest money in such a manner; for any one that could deliberately propose to another to make him a partner in a swindle, as in this case, would not hesitate a moment to pocket the \$20 in gold, and rob the dupe who had been foolish enough to believe him or so dishonest as to participate in such a scheme. Circulars, such as the one we have referred to, are much more common east than they are here; but we have heard of several being received in this city; and we desire to caution any who from lack of thought might be misled by the specious offers and promises of the imposters, who thus seek to gain money by flagrant dishonesty. No matter how fair, apparently, their offers may be, not a particle of trust should be placed in any person who proposes to put money in the possession of another, in this manner, for comparatively nothing. The swindle is clearly marked on the face of all such offers; and those who make them should be held up to public execration.

AFFAIRS IN SOUTHERN UTAH.—We had a call from Joseph Birch, Esq., the enterprising manager of President B. Young's cotton factory at Washington, Washington county, who has recently arrived from there. His description of affairs in that region is very encouraging. He never saw the people better satisfied than they are at present. The fruit crops have been very good. One man, Br. Walter E. Dodge, has manufactured one thousand gallons of wine, out of grapes grown by himself in St. George, besides, he has sold from one to two thousand pounds of grapes, and dried a considerable quantity. Of peaches great quantities have also been raised. Many improvements have been made in St. George during the past summer and fall. Laborers have been in great demand. Carpenters are earning from \$5 to \$6 per day, and enough of them can not be obtained at that price. The health of the people of St. George and Washington is very good; the children have recovered from the sickness with which they were troubled during the summer. The grasshoppers did not succeed in reaching Kanarrab—a town near the rim of the Basin. Brother Birch met Judge McCurdy at Fillmore. He was on his way down to hold court at St. George. Bro. B. does not know of any cases to be attended to there. President Young's efforts to establish the Cotton Factory at Washington are beginning to be appreciated. It is doing a good business, and the people are reaping the benefits of it. Washington is changing into a place of importance. The establishing of the factory there has given an impulse to business and will lead the citizens to go-ahead and make permanent improvements. The good supply of goods which has been taken down there, and connected with the factory, gives the people opportunities they have not had previously to obtain the articles they need in exchange for their cotton. This is a cause of great encouragement to them.

ON THE LINE.—We notice that Messrs. Cronyn & Co., are coming out to the front, on a line with the stores that have taken a step forward on East Temple St. Doors, with a large portion of them a lass, will occupy the most of the front, which can thus be thrown open in fine weather, an arrangement that has become very common in stores.

SHOWER.—There was a nice, pleasant shower this morning, with sufficient clouds overhead and gathering to indicate that we might expect some more, if a cold wind should not cause the deposit to descend in the form of snow.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY.

RAIN STORM.—The gathering clouds yesterday began to descend in rain last night, and continued pouring down till nearly daylight this morning, a considerable quantity of water having fallen during the time. The rains of late fall and early spring, with those of the summer, that we have been favored with during the last year and this, seem to indicate a change in the character of our climate, humidity increasing and heavy dews marking the summer months in the place of the aridity and lack of dew which prevailed before.

Last night's rain will be rather severe on unfinished adobe buildings, of which there are a number through the city.

THE WEATHER.—By Deseret Telegraph Line we learn the state of the weather at the places named, this morning:

Logan; rained hard last night. Looks as if it would clear up, though it is still a little cloudy.
Brigham City; quite stormy all night; commencing to clear up.
American Fork; quite wet and stormy all night; not stormy at present.
Payson; stormy all night; snow to the base of the mountains; not storming just now.
Nephi; quite rainy all night; raining now.

At 1 p. m.:

Ogden; stormed all night; clearing off now.
Springville; rained nearly all day yesterday and all last night; is still raining, and there are prospects of its continuing.
Fountain Green; very stormy.
Fairview; raining and very cloudy.
Cove Creek; storming all night and to-day.

TRANSMONTANE NEWS.—By letter to W. C. Staines, Esq., from Elder John Brown, dated Aberdeen, Miss., Nov. 5th, we learn that on his preaching mission thus far he has not encountered so much prejudice as many supposed the elders who went east last spring would. The condition of the country where he has been traveling is anything but enviable. The general overturning of matters, political and social,

consequent upon the rebellion, has produced a state of feeling almost indescribable. The disparity of relationship formerly existing between the white and colored races being removed, and in some senses almost reversed, has given rise to intensely bitter feelings which express themselves in acts that can only tend to keep alive and lighten them. All things in that part of the country where he has traveled seem to indicate a steady drifting towards a terrible future.

CHINA MAIL.—By the courtesy of Wells, Fargo & Co's Office in this city, we learn that the first China and Japan mail left Sacramento on Thursday last, per steamer Great Republic, with the Overland Mail.

NEW COAL MINE.—The discovery of a coal mine in Mill Creek Canyon, a little above Elbow Mill, and some 10 miles from this city, is reported. Those who claim to be the discoverers are very sanguine that they have a certainty of coal. Meantime, hoping that it may be so, we wait confirmation of the news, in which at present, our faith is far from strong.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY.

LOCAL ITEMS.

SABBATH MEETINGS.—Bishop E. F. Sheets treated upon the varied blessings received and enjoyed by the Saints; and referred to the circumstances which had tested and strengthened their faith, when, twenty years ago, they were compelled to seek a home in an unknown and inhospitable wilderness. The prosperity of those who thus exercised faith in the Lord is unparalleled; and if they had remained in the States from whence they were driven, with all the advantages which they then possessed, they would not, in the same time, have gathered around them so much wealth as they have acquired here. He advocated great liberality on the part of the Saints, in aiding the emigration of the poor from the nations this coming year; and maintained that by such means our prosperity will increase, until Zion shines forth in all her richness and effulgent glory.

AFTERNOON.
Elder Joseph W. Young reasoned upon the gospel—"the power of God unto salvation"—and the apostasy from its truth and purity, with the consequent loss of the priesthood on both hemispheres. The world being without the gospel, because of apostasy, and no man having or claiming to have revelations from God, or having the priesthood, or the power to proclaim the gospel and open up the channel of communication between the creature and the Creator, how could mankind obtain the gospel or enjoy its blessings, unless God revealed it anew, and restored the priesthood to man? This He did in this generation; and the Prophet Joseph was elected and ordained to be the instrument for this purpose. If the gospel had not been restored, the human family would today have been without even the privilege of accepting its offered mercies and great blessings. He also spoke on the principle of government; showing that the priesthood has the right to direct and govern; and if that right is not recognized among men it is not because the authority does not exist, but because the children of men, in their blindness and wickedness, repudiate it. God has the right, the authority and the power to rule in the heavens and on the earth, and He will exercise it over the earth as He does in the heavens. He has revealed the gospel again to prepare for that day. The speaker reasoned upon the order of the priesthood, obedience to it, and the visible direction of God in the leading of his Saints through President Brigham Young.

ALTERATION.—The old Tabernacle, where meetings are at present held, has been altered a little, since yesterday week, by the windows at the north end, back of the stand, being built up, and the south door on the east side being enlarged with a glass top to it, a large window having been put in the west side opposite to it. This improvement will add considerably to the comfort of those who occupy the stand and the north end of the building during the winter months.

RUSSIAN TELEGRAPHIC.—We had the pleasure of a call to-day from Mr. John I. Sadine, who has just arrived in this city, via San Francisco, from Russian Siberia. Mr. Sadine went there as operator on the line of Telegraph which was to connect St. Petersburg with this Continent. A considerable portion of the line has been constructed, about 800 miles of it being built through British Columbia; but the successful working of the Atlantic cable, supersedes the necessity for it and would make it unprofitable. Yet the Superintendent of the Russian part of the line still has hopes of doing something further with regard to it; and he had gone to St. Petersburg for the purpose of seeing what could be done.

Mr. Sadine was absent from San Francisco 15 months, 13 of which he spent in Siberia. In the month of February the cold was so intense that the thermometer fell to 68 degrees below zero. Their houses were built of double walls, and lined with moss to make them warm. Altogether, the climate in winter is anything but suitable for those accustomed to a warmer one.

LITERARY PAPER.—In to-day's issue will be found the Prospectus of "The Utah Magazine," a new literary paper, which is soon to be published, E. L. T. Harrison, Esq., Editor. The necessity for a paper combining instruction, entertainment and amusement, freed from the objectionable elements which characterize imported periodicals, has been urged for some time; and the proposed paper aims at supplying the want. Mr. Harrison's abilities are too well known to need commendation from us; and we cordially recommend the Prospectus of the "Utah Magazine" to our readers for their encouragement and support.

G. S. L. CITY, Nov. 25, 1867.

Editor Deseret News.—Allow me, through your columns, to announce that arrangements have been completed for a series of lectures this winter in the Seventies' Council Hall. The first of the series will be given on Wednesday evening next, 27th inst. Doors open at half-past six o'clock. Admission free.

In behalf of the Committee, respectfully, &c.

A. P. Rockwood, Chairman.

HEAR not ill of a friend, nor speak any of an enemy. Believe not all you hear, nor report all you believe.