

## Local and Other Matters.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY, JUNE 7.

**Missionary Appointments for Sunday, June 18th, 1875—**

West Jordan—Elders R. F. Neslen, G. Teasdale and C. H. Wilcken.

Big Cottonwood—Elders George Nebeker and Jacob Gibson.

South Cottonwood—Elders J. P. Freeze and K. G. Maeser.

Draperville—Elders Thomas Taylor and D. A. Swan.

Sugar House—Elders D. James and Thomas V. Williams.

**Conference in Birmingham.**—The *Millennial Star* reports a conference held in St. James' Hall, Snow Hill, Birmingham, England, on Sunday, May 2, meetings being held at 10:30 a.m., and 2:30 and 6:30 p.m.

Utah Elders present: Joseph F. Smith, President of the European Mission; R. V. Morris, President Birmingham Conference; E. N. Freeman, President of Sheffield Conference; H. S. Gowans, President Manchester Conference; Elder M. H. Hardy, of London; Jno. H. Smith, and V. L. Halliday, of Birmingham Conference.

The Conference was addressed by most of the above Elders.

President Morris read the statistical and financial reports, which were as follows:

## STATISTICAL.

Branches, 12; Elders, 68; Priests, 17; Teachers, 9; Deacons, 12; Members, 374; Removed, 7; Received, 2; Cut off, 7; Dead, 6; Emigrated, 34; Baptized, 33; Total of officers and members, 480

## INCOME.

Tithing account	£130 19 8½
I. E. Deposits	82 4 7½
Books, Stars, &c.	75 19 6
Mission	12 8 10
Poor	15 8 11½

£317 1 7½

## EXPENDITURE.

Remitted to Liverpool Office—Tithing, Book money and I. E. Deposits	£160 18 11
Rent of Conference house, Board, Traveling and Incidental Expenses	106 14 0
Hall Rents	26 13 5
Poor	17 0 8½
I. E. Deposits withdrawn	0 10 5
Cash on hand	4 15 2

£317 1 7½

**The Work Abroad.**—The following is from the *Millennial Star* of May 17—

"After the departure of the *Wyoming* [May 12], a special meeting of Elders from Zion was held at 42 Islington, at which much valuable counsel was imparted to the brethren, who expressed themselves prepared to do anything for the furtherance of the work of the Lord in their respective fields of labor.

"The Elders were advised to hold open-air meetings whenever an opportunity presented itself, and wherever an opening could be made to warn the people and extend the work."

"Nottingham, May 6.—We are well and in good spirits. Brother Farrell has just returned from North Lincolnshire, and Brother Squires is now on a three weeks' tour of South Lincolnshire.

"Last Sunday, at 6 p.m., I held an open-air meeting in the town of Langley Mill, Derbyshire, and got a good hearing from perhaps a hundred strangers, while I talked to them for an hour upon the first principles of the Gospel. I thanked them for their attention, and gave notice of another meeting we intend holding on same spot next Sunday at 6 p.m., and when we went away the people remained as if pinned to the ground. I know of no better way to reach the people than to go right into the highways, if they will not come to hear us in our halls and private houses. In one open-air meeting more strangers get to hear the Gospel than in twenty of our ordinary meetings. I intend for each of the Valley Elders with me to hold an open-air meeting every Sunday from this on, as long as the weather will permit, and for the local Elders to do the same as far as possible.

"Our prospects are encouraging for a good summer's missionary work, and we are preparing to take every advantage that offers."

"F. M. LYMAN."

"Glasgow, May 8.—Elder Sin-

clair is laboring in Fifeshire, in excellent health and buoyancy of spirits.

"Elder Ingram left this place for Ayrshire almost immediately after Conference, with the intention of 'breaking new ground.'

"Elder Hogg has just returned from a visit to Slamaunan and Benhar. At both places he held outdoor meetings to large and appreciative congregations.

"I enclose you a bill of the lecture which was announced at the termination of Conference. The meeting was as good as any, if not the best that I have had, in Glasgow. There was the utmost attention paid by a highly respectable and intelligent congregation, and I had perfect liberty of utterance.

"I lectured again last Sabbath, after public notice, to another fair-sized congregation, and have published for the third lecture to-morrow night. The first was on 'Plural Marriage,' second, 'There can be no true Christianity without a living and inspired Priesthood,' third, 'The Rationality of the Atonement.' On Wednesday next I shall lecture in the school-house at Slamaunan, on the 'City of the Saints.'

"DAVID MCKENZIE."

"Kaiapoi, New Zealand, March 13.—I received a letter from Elder William Geddes on the day he went on board, bound for San Francisco. We were rather disappointed that he did not come to Kaiapoi. There is an opening for a missionary in Canterbury. We hope, dear brother, that our beloved President Young will look upon us and send us a good man, filled with the Spirit of God; for I think that there is a great work yet to be done in New Zealand; and we will uphold him by our faith and prayers, and stand by him in good report and evil report and assist him with our means; for I know this work emanates from God our Father in the heavens; and it will roll on, against all opposition.

"I am happy to say that the Saints in Kaiapoi are trying to live their religion better than they have done, and I think they will still improve.

"We have held our meetings of late in a cottage; but we are thinking of getting a hall, which will be more public than a cottage.

"JAMES BURNETT."

"We received brother Burnett's letter on yesterday enclosed in a large envelope with 'On Her Majesty's Service' printed, and 'from wreck of *Schiller*' written thereon. With emotion and deep sympathy for suffering humanity we look upon this letter saturated with sea-water brought us from that ill-fated ship."

## Fish with Legs.

Museum, June 7th, 1875.

Editor Deseret News:

I have received a specimen of reptile from Cache Valley. It was caught by Patriarch John Smith in a natural well of immense depth, near Clarkston, Cache county. By the kindness of the various railroad conductors the creature has arrived in excellent health, as evidenced by his voracity. He dines off grasshoppers, meat or any kind of animal food.

This creature is a variety of the "Siredon Lichenoides" of Baird, and is described in Stansbury's Report. Its breathing apparatus is external to the body, resembling horns (branchiae), it has four legs, is nearly a foot long, and bids fair to become "domesticated" in our Museum.

Respectfully yours,

JOSEPH L. BARFOOT;

Manager.

We have seen the reptile mentioned in the foregoing, and consider it a great natural curiosity. This specimen was caught with a fish hook and line in the well mentioned by Prof. Barfoot.

## TERRITORIAL DISPATCHES.

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## The Cricket Plague.

SILVER CITY, N. Mex., June 5.—The beautiful cricket have made their appearance here, and there are millions of them. The inhabitants are out in mass, with brooms, blankets and other implements trying to keep them from going into the houses. They cannot do so much damage, but the Utah Valley people must prepare, as they are eastward bound,

## By Telegraph.

## AMERICAN.

WASHINGTON, 3.—Second Lieutenant Philip Read, of the Third Infantry, acting signal officer, has been relieved from duty at Fort Whipple, Va., and ordered to San Diego, Cal., to assume charge of the construction and operation of lines of telegraph in California, Arizona and New Mexico, provided for by the acts of Congress of March 3rd, 1873, relieving Second Lieutenant Theodore Smith, of the 15th Infantry, acting signal officer, of his duties in connection therewith.

In the court of commissioners of the Alabama claims, to-day, the following California cases were disposed of: Case 53, Main & Winchester, judgment with interest, \$361,093; also cases J. C. Johnson, \$51,485; D. L. Perkins, judgment with interest, \$525; Hahn & Lawton, \$70,015; the same parties, \$463,916; Geo. P. Plaisted, \$1,000; Joseph Hogg, \$450; Volsin & Ochmichen, \$38,850; Main & Winchester, \$254,835; Levison & Levison, \$87,432; Robert Willis, with interest, \$1,298.

The Secretary of the Interior has recommended to the President the restoration to the public domain of the lands in Wallowa Valley, in Oregon, which were withdrawn about three years ago from public lands for use of Joseph's band of Nez Perces Indians.

Secretary Delano has concluded to suspend the sales of Indian lands in Kaass till January, 1876. This action is taken upon the recommendation of General Ingalls, Commissioner Smith and others, in consequence of the suffering of the settlers by drouth and grasshoppers.

CHICAGO, 3.—At the national temperance convention, to-day, a resolution that women were entitled to the elective franchise, and that the convention lend its warmest effort to that end, was defeated, 78 to 52. It was resolved that the time had arrived to more fully consider the relations of the national government and its responsibility for the liquor traffic, and it was resolved that the convention ask the next Congress to prohibit the manufacture and sale of all alcoholic beverages in the District of Columbia and the territory of the U. S., to prohibit its importation from foreign countries, to require total abstinence on the part of all officials and subordinates in the civil, military and naval service, and to adopt, for ratification by the several states of the Union, a constitutional amendment, which shall make the traffic in alcoholic beverages illegal throughout the national domain. Anna Dickinson delivered an address, in which she said that crusades and temperance meetings had very little effect, and that political organizations and political work was the only means for checking the evil. The convention adjourned sine die.

The marriage of Lt. Gen. P. H. Sheridan and Miss Irene Rucker, daughter of Major Rucker, Assistant Q. M. General, was celebrated at the residence of the bride's parents, 504 Michigan Avenue, at half-past 8 this evening. The following were invited, and were present, with the exception of the President, who asked to be excused on account of the pressure of public business—Mrs. Grant, General and Mrs. Belknap, General and Mrs. Sherman, and staff officers, General and Mrs. Van Vleet, General and Mrs. Pope, General Auger, General Perry, General Ord, General and Mrs. Crooke, and General Herry. The ceremony was performed by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Foley, according to the forms of the Catholic church, of which both parties are members. The gifts were numerous, and of the most expensive kind. After partaking of an elegant dinner the bridal pair, accompanied by Col. and Mrs. M. V. Sheridan, were driven to their residence on Michigan Avenue, which had been handsomely decorated for their reception.

Considerable excitement was created here to-day by the strike of the employees at the various coal yards, on account of a reduction of wages; non-union men were employed, but the strikers in large numbers visited the various yards and compelled them to stop work. Several non-union men were severely beaten.

MAHONEY CITY, Pa., 3.—At 3 p.m. to-day Sheriff Warner telegraphed that his posse had been fired upon, and asked for military assistance. The Pottsville light

infantry and the Gowan guards immediately left by special train for this place. On arrival they found the mob had slunk away on the outskirts of the town. The citizens were greatly excited, and all places of business were closed. The first disturbance was at Tyler & Co's. colliery, when Sheriff Agnew, with a posse, ordered the rioters to disperse. One of the chiefs fired on the sheriff, and the firing then became general, the rioters firing a volley on the citizens, who were outnumbered. Henry Leitenberger, a policeman, was wounded and is in a critical condition; Henry Lochman was wounded in the leg, Wm. Encke was shot in the head, and another man in the shoulder. Eight of the raiders were wounded and carried away, one of them was killed. The strikers have dispersed in different directions. Col. Huntzinger has established his headquarters in the City Hall. Much excitement prevails and the miners will again resume work to-morrow.

LEBANON, Pa., 3.—The eighth regiment has orders to hold itself ready to march into the troubled mining districts.

CINCINNATI, 3.—In the Brewers' Congress to-day, the committee on resolutions made a lengthy report, which recited the fact that brewing pays about nine million dollars revenue tax, and would probably pay more but for the stringent rules of the revenue officers. They request the government to remove the unnecessary restrictions under which the malt liquor interest labors, and ask that Congress be petitioned to amend internal revenue laws so as to limit the power assumed by the commissioner of the revenue of deciding the amount of tax a brewer is liable to pay.

TERREBONNE, La., 3.—Ex-parish Judge Eeden was shot and mortally wounded by Sherburn, the present judge, in a difficulty at Houla, this morning.

OMAHA, 3.—Senator J. P. Jones and family left here for the West this morning.

HUNTSVILLE, Ala., 3.—Deputy Collector Holwan was shot and killed to-day, by an illicit distiller.

SAN FRANCISCO, 3.—A dispatch from San Diego says that a letter to the San Diego *Union*, from Ures, Sonora, reports great excitement over Mexican raids in Texas, and that war is feared between the U. S. and Mexico. The newspaper *Estrella*, referring to the Washington *Chronicle* version of the Texas raids, that Mexico is too weak to restrain the raiders, says, "If the great republic cannot or will not keep marauding parties from trespassing into a friendly state, and committing all kinds of atrocities, it cannot wonder at weak Mexico being unable at all times to prevent her bad boys from entering a friendly state."

NEW YORK, 4.—Lafayette Graff, jointly indicted with Charles L. Lawrence, for smuggling silks, and who escaped to Montreal, returned yesterday, and voluntarily surrendered himself to the United States District Attorney. Graff was admitted to bail in \$5,000, and he will be used as States' evidence against his alleged accomplices.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., 4.—All the collieries resumed work this morning. The citizens think it will be necessary to retain the troops several days to secure continued work. Adjutant General Lotta arrived from Philadelphia last night.

PHILADELPHIA, 4.—George O. Evans, who was recently tried for frauds in the collection of the state claims against the general government, died here last night.

WASHINGTON, 4.—The Indians and Secretary Delano had a short conference to-day. The Secretary told them that if they would take the twenty-five thousand dollars he would try and get as much more for them next Winter, and if they did not take it they could not have the privilege of hunting on the Smoky Hill Fork any longer; he said that if gold was found in the Black Hills, the government would pay them liberally for the lands. He desired them to take all that had been said to them home to the people, and obtain answer back soon as possible. The Indians were photographed in a group, with the exception of Red Cloud, who declined, saying that his picture could be had by paying him \$25.

CINCINNATI, O., 4.—In the circuit court yesterday, the case of Mrs. Davenport, vs. the Western Union Telegraph Co., for the recovery of sixty thousand dollars worth of W. U. stock, alleged to have been fraudulently transferred,

was decided in favor of Mrs. Davenport.

WASHINGTON, 4.—In the court of commissioners of the Alabama claims, to-day, the following California cases were disposed of: Crone & Brigham, judgment for \$300,741, with interest on \$169,912 from April 17, 1863, and on \$88,520, from May 13, 1863, and on \$423 from April 27; Rosenbaum & Fridman, judgment, with interest, on \$241,006.

At the Indian conference, to-day, Spotted Tail said that the Great Spirit told him never to steal anybody's country without paying for it. The Secretary replied that he had not accused him or his people of stealing and he did not want Spotted Tail to accuse the Great Father of stealing from him. Spotted Tail wanted to talk about agency matters before he went home, and he wanted to go to-morrow. The secretary left, saying they might talk all night with the commissioners if they wished to.

Captain Brackett, special agent of the treasury department, captured, in this city, to-day, a white lace dress valued at \$10,000, a white lace shawl \$5,000, and other laces valued at \$5,000, at a pawnshop, where they had been pawned. The dress and laces formerly belonged to the Empress Eugenie, and were among the richest in the world. They were sold at the sale of her diamonds and jewelry in England, and were smuggled into this country by Joseph Horace, in Oct., 1873.

SCRANTON, Pa., 4.—Daniel Harris and Mr. Wagonhurst were killed by a boiler explosion near Goldsboro to-day; several others were seriously wounded.

BOSTON, 4.—George W. Pemberton, who has been on trial several days for killing Mrs. Bingham, in East Boston, on the 22nd of March, was to-day found guilty of murder in the first degree.

HAVANA, 2, via Key West, 4.—The Argentine transport *Ping*, with seventy-two political prisoners, arrived here on Sunday, from Montevideo; the prisoners comprise those implicated in the Flores rebellion. Among them are two sons of Flores and several persons who had been banished from Cuba in former years as enemies of Spain. The government refused to allow them to land, the reason being the informality of the ship's papers, the *Ping* being a Spanish merchant ship which was chartered by the Argentine government. Captain General Valmaseda has telegraphed to Madrid for instructions, and the ship is under the guns of a Spanish ironclad. Twenty-five prisoners were allowed to embark on the *City of Mexico*, which left for New York to-day. Some of the prisoners are represented to have been men of wealth and position in the Argentine republic.

COLUMBUS, O., 4.—A special officer left for California to-day, to arrest and return here, for trial, H. R. Rich, charged with embezzling \$7,000 to \$8,000 of the fund of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway while serving as freight agent at this point.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., 4.—The coroner's jury in the Holyoke disaster rendered a verdict this evening; they found that no blame could be attached to any person in connection with the disaster, but they can not too strongly condemn the almost criminal carelessness in the construction of the galleries and the means of egress therefrom, and declare that the parties who built such a death trap should receive the unmeasured censure of the community; they find the cause of fire from the use of trimmings, laces, paper, etc., and to the fact that the building was sheathed with pine instead of being plastered.

NEW YORK, 4.—Robert Wise Hart, charged with being one of the grange who, some time ago, negotiated some five million dollars worth of stolen altered U. S. bonds, and who, having been arrested on a requisition by Governor Tilden and brought to this city to-day, was brought before Judge Brady on a writ of *habeas corpus*. The return to the writ sets up that his arrest was under the requisition of Governor Tilden, on a charge of forgery, and that he is now held in custody under due process of law; the traverse, in return, sets forth that the prisoner is not the person known to have been arrested on the requisition paper, that he has never been a resident of Penal, and that the requisition proceedings are illegal. The judge allowed the District Attorney till Tuesday to produce proofs of identity.