

## LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, DEC. 1.

**Drowning Near Ogden.**—Last evening the body of William Freshaw, son of Mr. S. W. Freshaw, undertaker of Ogden, was found in the Ogden River. There were no evidences of violence upon his person, and as there appeared to be no reason for suicide, the general impression prevailed that it must have been a case of accidental drowning. The deceased bore an excellent reputation.

**An Omission.**—In our description of the Denver & Rio Grande depot buildings, given a few days ago, we omitted to state that the contractors who erected the machine, erecting, and boiler shops, also the tall smoke-stack that has attracted unusual attention, were Watson Brothers. The work was done in excellent style. The smoke-stack especially was, as previously stated, constructed within an eighth of an inch of a direct line of the incline from base to top, tapering from a square of twelve to six feet.

**A Petty Pilferer.**—For some time past carpenters at work on various buildings in the city, have been complaining of the occasional mysterious disappearance of some of their tools, and it is strongly suspected that the pilfering process in this department was conducted by George Masey. That individual was before Justice Spiers to-day for stealing a pair of compasses belonging to a workman engaged on a building in the Eighth Ward. The case was clear and \$25 and costs constituted the punishment imposed. Served him right.

**Hon. W. H. Hooper Dangerously Ill.**—The hosts of friends of Captain W. H. Hooper will regret to learn of the severe illness of that well known and respected gentleman. Yesterday he was so low that it was not considered advisable for any person outside the members of his family circle to visit him.

We have just learned that Brother Hooper continues to sink, his condition being such as to render him unable to recognize any of his friends to-day. The hopes of recovery are not strong.

**A Christian Act.**—Bishop Andrew Burt, of the Twenty-first Ward, received the following note without signature, with enclosure of \$45:

SALT LAKE CITY,  
November 28th, 1882.

Bishop Andrew Burt:

Dear Sir—Having been prospered, a little more than common, I take this opportunity of turning over a little of what I have received. Find enclosed a sufficient sum to purchase a carload of Weber coal. Please distribute the same to the poor as you think fit, and oblige your humble servant.

This is a genuinely charitable act, being performed on the principle of not letting one hand know what the other does, without any pompous horn-blowing. Let somebody else follow so commendable an example.

**Experience of a Young Missionary.**—We have had the pleasure of meeting Elder Joseph W. Thatcher, of Logan, one of the returned missionaries from the Southern States. He left this city in April, 1881, and proceeded to Tennessee. He labored in the middle portion of that State, and also in a part of Alabama, continuing in that district eight months, during which time he had the privilege of adding seven persons to the Church by baptism. On the 11th of June, 1881, he and Elder Lorenzo Hunsaker were surrounded by a mob, who threatened violence but did not carry out their intention. Several other incidents of that kind occurred, but the brethren escaped on every occasion. They had received a direct assurance from the Lord that they would be protected. They had implicit that they would and they invariably escaped without injury, although the quarters appeared exceedingly close at times.

Elder Thatcher next went, in company with Elder Richard Camp to West Tennessee, where the two succeeded by the blessing of the Lord, in raising up a branch of the Church of sixteen members. With the exception of a short time in Mississippi, where a few were baptized, Elder Thatcher remained in West Tennessee until he was released.

Elder Thatcher was but twenty-one years old when he left to go on his mission, and feels grateful that

he had the privilege of going into the world on that errand, his experience having confirmed his faith in the divinity of the work with which he is connected.

**Delightful Musical Exhibition.**—Between five and six hundred of Brother Evan Stephens' pupils participated in the exercises of the exhibition given at the Assembly Hall yesterday morning. A large number of spectators were present, including President John Taylor and Apostle Wilford Woodruff. The singing was excellent and effective. Among the pieces rendered were: "Now the Cheerful Singing," in which beautiful imitations of different sounding bells were given, making a pleasing variety; "Bells of Freedom," "Happy Pair," "Good Night," was sung by all the classes as the closing piece.

The exercises showing the proficiency of the scholars were exceedingly interesting. They consisted of pieces of music given vocally by Brother Stephens for the first time, written on the spot by the children, and sung off hand without preparation. The writing exercises presented a pretty and novel sight. The little heads bobbed up to catch the sounds and down again to place the notes upon the paper, reminding one of a flock of little ducks burying their heads under water and popping up again. The time motions with the band, rendered with neatness and precision, were another attractive feature. Two small boys, under thirteen years, called out the sound names at random and the scholars sang them with admirable exactness, showing the thorough character of the training they had received, being able to distinctly individualize any note on the scale.

Another point worthy of mention is the fact that most of the music sung by the children consists of Brother Stephens' own compositions.

President Taylor spoke a few appreciative and encouraging words, expressing his pleasure at the progress that had been made in the "divine art" by Brother Stephens' classes.

**The Cause of Discontinuance.**—An exchange thus details a late experience of Major J. B. Furay, special agent of the postoffice department:

The postoffice at Iron Rod, Mon., has been discontinued, and the explanation is thus given by an officer of the Department: "A postoffice agent while officially visiting various offices in Montana Territory, for the purpose of correcting any irregularities of postmasters, stopped at Iron Rod. Going into the post office he found the room divided into three sections—first a saloon, next the postoffice, and the last a faro bank. The mail bag was brought in, a rough looking customer opened it, and emptied the contents on the floor. The entire crowd at once got down on their knees and commenced overhauling the letters among which were several registered, and selected such as they wanted.

"After they were through, the remaining letters were shoved into a candle box and placed upon the bar. The special agent, thinking the office needed a little regulating, asked the barkeeper, who had received and distributed the mail, if he was the postmaster. He answered, 'No.' 'Where is the postmaster?' 'Out mining.' 'Where is the assistant postmaster?' 'Gone to Hell's Canyon; and, by thunder, Bill Jones has got to run this office next week it's his turn.' The government official then stated who he was and demanded the keys of the office. The bartender coolly took the candle box from the bar, placed it on the floor, and gave it a kick, saying, 'There's your post office, and now git.' The agent says, 'Knowing the custom of the country, I lost no time in following the advice and got.' This is why the post office at Iron Rod was discontinued."

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY, DEC. 2.

**Ready for the Execution.**—At Malad City, a temporary wooden structure is being erected, adjacent to the county jail, in which to execute the sentence of hanging upon Mooney, the murderer of Joel Hinckley. Mooney will swing next Friday.

**Fair at Lehi.**—The people of Lehi are holding a fair. The specimens exhibited include the productions of art, mechanism, manufacture, agriculture and horticulture. It is an extensive show and but few fairs

held in the Territory have excelled it in some of its leading features. So we are informed.

**For the Idaho Legislature.**—This morning we were favored with a visit from Mr. Henry Peck, of Malad City, on his way to Boise to attend the Idaho Legislature, which will shortly convene at that place, he having been elected to the Council from Oneida County. The full democratic ticket was elected from that county at the late election, the other successful candidates being W. L. Webster, of Franklin, to the Council, and the following to the House of Representatives: D. L. Evans, Malad; M. L. Grewell Marsh Valley; John B. Thatcher, Gentile Valley; C. J. Bassett, Beaver Canyon.

Papers of contest from the unsuccessful Republican candidates have been served upon all of these gentlemen excepting Mr. D. L. Evans. The grounds of contest are alleged irregularities in the conduct of the election and ineligibility. The ground of the alleged ineligibility is not stated in the notice.

The successful candidates, including Mr. Peck, have no doubt that they will obtain their positions in the Legislature, to which they have been fairly and regularly elected.

**Back from the States.**—This morning Elder Eli A. Folland, who returned from a mission to the States last evening, gave us a call. He left the city April 12th, 1881, and went to Iowa, where he remained five months and made many friends, but little headway so far as conversions to the truth were concerned. He next proceeded to Indiana, and was appointed to take charge of that district. He and the other Elders with him met with fair success in that field. He baptized five new members and assisted in administering that ordinance to fifteen others. The newspapers in that section were very liberal, giving the Elders access to the public through their columns. The prospect is fair for a good work being done throughout that part of the country. During the Edmunds bill excitement indignation meetings at which much bitter feeling was exhibited toward the Saints, were held, and made the work of the brethren very difficult. This feeling has died out very largely, and a kindly sentiment has taken its place. The last three months of Elder Folland's mission was spent in Iowa, to which State he returned. He says he found many inquiries made there by people of Swedish nativity for Swedish Elders to be sent among them.

## SPECIAL STAKE MEETINGS.

Special meetings of the Salt Lake Stake of Zion will be held in the Salt Lake Assembly Hall on Tuesday and Wednesday, December 12th and 13th, 1882, at 10 a. m. and 2 and 7 p. m. of each day.

It is especially desired that the Presidency and members of the several Quorums of the Priesthood and the Presiding officers of all of the Wards of the Stake attend.

Arrangements have been made for special rates on the Railroads for those desiring to attend these meetings.

ANGUS M. CANNON,  
DAVID O. CALDER,  
JOSEPH E. TAYLOR,  
Presidency of the Stake.

## AN EXCITING ADVENTURE.

THE TABLES TURN AND THE BEAR HUNTS THE MAN.

Brother James A. Thompson, of Eden, Weber County, informs us of an exciting bear hunt that occurred about four miles from that town a few days since. The heroes of the adventure were James and E. M. Henninger, father and son. They were not looking for bears but made the acquaintance of some brutes of that species in the search for the gentle deer.

The two sportsmen parted to go in different directions, when Henninger senior observed some bear tracks and followed the trail some distance, until he got close up to a grizzly of huge dimensions, accompanied by a couple of cubs of considerable growth. Mr. H. being an old Virginian, and not readily daunted, he sent in a shot, badly wounding one of the cubs and slightly hurting the old she bear. This so infuriated the maternal brute that she made a movement to take after her tormentor. The sportsman took in the danger of the situation at a glance. He stood not upon the order of his going, but went at once.

Imagination gave fleetness to his flight, as, in his mind's eye, he could feel the hot breath of bruin puffing upon his back and see the uplifted paw of the monster ready to tear the quivering flesh from his body. His lungs were not idle either, as he vociferated several deafening yells that soon brought the junior member of the Henninger family to the spot.

E. M. Henninger found his father, but the bear was not in sight. Looking at the whole thing in the light of a joke he found the tracks of the bear and followed them up, with a view of keeping up the fun. Finally he reached a clump of brush, and there was her bearship. As soon as she eyed the individual in search of a frolic she reared on end, and as the full force of her wrongs flashed upon her the huge jaws parted, presenting a carnivorous cavern horrible to behold. Out of this capacious opening proceeded one of the most terrific roars it ever was the lot of Henninger junior to listen to. It occurred to him that the whole thing was not a joke. He felt "funny," but not in a hilarious sense. He was seized with a queerness, as if he were partially paralyzed; so much so that he could not even lift his gun. With the paternal example before him what could he do but bid the bear good bye without taking the trouble of shaking her by the hand.

However, the bear appeared reluctant to let him go without giving him an embrace, so off she went after him. Then proceeded that species of hunt when it can truly be said the tables are turned, when the bear hunts the man instead of the man hunting the bear. Fortunately for Henninger jun., a strapping young fellow of six feet in height, the chase was down hill. To add to the terror of the occasion he stumbled twice and fell, causing his infuriated pursuer to gain on him, till finally she got close up behind him, when again he tumbled. Luckily in his fall he got out of the direct line in which the bear was running, and the instant he went to the ground on she sped past him, unable, on account of the impetuosity of her movements, to put on brakes at once. As Providence would have it, a tree stood by and up went the hunter, with agility intensified by desperation.

Mr. Henninger, Sen., who had got close to the scene of the latest exploits, had also ensconced himself among the grateful branches of an adjacent pine. Shortly afterwards the bear retraced her steps, passing almost directly under the tree where young Henninger was suspended. It is not necessary to state that he did not cough, or say, "how d'ye do?" or otherwise address the disappointed brute with a view of giving her an invitation to climb up to him to engage in a hugging bee.

After the bear got out of earshot the anxious father up a tree shouted in tones of deep concern:

"Halloa, Ed., where are you?"

"I'm up this tree, father."

"What had we better do, Ed?"

"I think we'd better get down and go home."

"All right."

"Are you down yet, Ed?"

"No, are you down yet, father?"

The anxiety of either to get down first was not deep, but they finally landed on terra firma. They sped for home, making the best time on their running record, and up to date neither have been impressed with a desire to engage in a bear hunt in a country where bears occasionally go in for a man hunt. The old she-bear was described as of enormous size. The wounded cub was afterwards found dead, and weighed about 300 pounds. It is estimated that the old one must have weighed about 800 pounds.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY DEC. 4.

**Leg Broken.**—Yesterday Lewis Cannon, son of Hon. Geo. Q. Cannon, was climbing into a wagon, from the rear end, at the farm at Riverside, a short distance southwest of the city, when his leg was caught in the revolving wheel. The limb was badly fractured a short distance below the knee-joint. The lad is ten years of age.

**The Beaver Mandamus Case.**—In the Beaver mandamus case to-day Judge Twiss overruled the demurrer and made the writ peremptory, but allowed a stay of proceedings and right of appeal to the Supreme Court. The ruling is precisely the same as that given by Judge Emerson in the Weber County Probate Judge case.

**The Special Meetings.**—We remind the Latter day Saints residing in this Stake of the special meetings arranged to be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, December 12th and 13th, in the Assembly Hall. The Presidency of the Stake are especially desirous that Presidents of Quorums and presiding officers of Wards be prepared to report. The hours of meeting are 10 a. m. and 2 and 7 p. m. each day.

**Anniversary.**—Yesterday, December 3d, was the 75th anniversary of the birthday of Father Samuel Neslen, of the 18th Ward. He received the congratulations of eight children, thirty-nine grandchildren and ten great grandchildren. The respected veteran has been a resident of Utah twenty-nine years. Long may he live and rejoice.

**Postal Delivery.**—After Sunday, Dec. 3d, the following change will be in effect at the general delivery of the postoffice. The ladies and gentlemen's names will be mixed but divided by the alphabet. Those whose surnames begin with letters from A to L will call at one window; those from M to Z at the other. Notices will be posted over both windows. The very large increase in the gentlemen's calls has made this a necessity.

**Judge Strickland Stricken Down.**—This morning O. F. Strickland was stricken down in a fit of apoplexy in the Overland House. Mr. Strickland was a former Associate Justice of the supreme bench of this Territory and took an active part in the McKean anti-"Mormon" crusade. He has been going down hill for several years until of late he has been an object of pity, a sad wreck of his former self. On account of his already impaired condition, it is doubtful if he can survive the attack with which he was seized to-day.

**Lost His Leg.**—We learn from the Ogden Herald that F. H. Quinn, brakeman on a westbound freight train, when leaving Corinne on Friday night, was trying to uncouple the second and third cars from the front, when he fell or was thrown to the track. The whole train passed over his right leg, a little above the ankle and he was considerably banged around, receiving a number of bruises on his head. He was conveyed to Ogden, where the mangled limb was amputated by Dr. Carnahan. Quinn is about twenty-two years old.

**Not Expeditious.**—We received the following note dated November 29th, from the Co-operative Institution of St. Charles, Bear Lake Valley:

"The parcel of books envoiced to us December 5th, 1881, came to hand yesterday, 28th inst., in good order; also a parcel from Bloomington Co-op., which we will forward the first opportunity. Had the railway company kept the books a few days longer they would have been one year coming from Salt Lake City."

That beats ox-team transit all to pieces.

**President Taylor and Party.**—Of President Taylor's party, which went to Utah County on Friday, the following brethren have returned: Presidents John Taylor and Joseph F. Smith, Apostle Wilford Woodruff, Counselor D. H. Wells, Elders George Reynolds and John Irvine. On Friday evening meetings were held at American Fork and Pleasant Grove; on Saturday and Sunday the usual conference meetings at Provo, with a Priesthood meeting on Saturday evening. On Sunday evening meetings were also held at Lehi and Alpine.

To-day Apostles B. Young and F. M. Lyman held meeting at Fairfield and Cedar Fort.

## W. H. HOOPER'S CONDITION.

A DECIDED CHANGE FOR THE BETTER.

The hosts of friends of Hon. W. H. Hooper will be pleased to learn that a very marked improvement has taken place in his condition, and hopes of his recovery are correspondingly strengthened. Yesterday there was a visible change for the better and the favorable symptoms have increased up to the hour of our going to press. To-day he was enabled take considerable nourishment. On account of the universal public interest taken in the Captain's condition, we are pleased to be able to communicate the well-news of his favorable progress.