

## EDITORIALS.

WE are pleased to learn that the Deseret Agricultural and Manufacturing Society has made its arrangements to hold a Fair in this city on the 3rd, 4th and 5th of next October. The Society has engaged the 13th Ward Assembly Rooms at which to hold the Fair, and the grounds adjacent thereto for the exhibition of stock, &c. The Legislative Assembly having made no appropriation at its recent session to assist the Society, the latter will be under the necessity on this occasion of following the practice of Societies in other Territories and in the States—a practice which has never heretofore prevailed here—of charging an entrance fee to visitors to the Fair. This will be so moderate, that no one will feel too poor to pay it. Another practice will also, for the same reason, be adopted—a small charge will be made as an entrance fee for animals placed on exhibition and competing for the premiums which the society offers. The list of premiums has already appeared in our columns, and it will soon be printed in pamphlet form. In the aggregate they amount to a large sum, and the prizes are varied and more numerous than ever before offered. They comprise gold and silver medals, diplomas, life-memberships in the Society and sums of money. The Society is evidently determined to do its best, and without doubt is prompted solely in its action in this instance by the most public-spirited and praiseworthy motives. Nothing less could be expected from its President, Hon. Wilford Woodruff, its Secretary and Treasurer, Robert L. Campbell, Esq., and its Board of Directors.

These Fairs in other places have had a most excellent effect. The productions and manufactures of various parts of the country are there brought together and compared. The stock-raiser, the agriculturist, the manufacturer and the artisan can there examine the progress which has been made in production and manufacture by his fellows in other parts, and draw profitable lessons therefrom. Each can obtain suggestions and ideas at such an exhibition that cannot be obtained elsewhere. Besides, if a man has a good breed of animals, or of fowls, or a valuable product or article of manufacture, he can there obtain the endorsement of competent judges as to its value, and thereby widely extend its sale. It is true that under present circumstances Fairs and Exhibitions of this kind may not confer so many benefits upon those who participate in them as they would if we had a denser population; but the country is rapidly filling up. These Fairs which are now held, if kept up, as we sincerely trust they may be, will grow, each year, more interesting, until they will become, a few years hence, the grandest and most instructive gatherings of the kind to be found in any country. We feel confident that this is no exaggerated anticipation, and, therefore, think that the importance of these Fairs, in view of the present and the future, can scarcely be over-estimated.

Since the last Fair the taste for fine-blooded stock has sought gratification in the purchase of animals of this kind. If the owners of these will take the interest which they should in the Fair, and bring their animals in, we hope to see a very fine display of blooded stock—a display which will do more towards developing a correct taste in this direction and in convincing the people at large that it is every way better and more satisfactory and profitable to raise a good breed than to raise scrubs, than would any number of essays or editorial articles on the subject.

Agriculturists, stock-raisers, manufacturers, mechanics, miners, inventors, scientific men and artists, should all do what they can to make this Fair interesting and instructive. The occasion is a favorable one to exhibit to advantage Utah's progress in productions and manufactures, and to afford some idea of the immense development of which she is capable. The Female Relief Societies of the various Wards will have an opportunity—which the Society desires them to avail themselves of—to exhibit ladies' work. They can, and doubtless will, make their department of the Fair a very attractive one.

OUR readers will recollect the circulation of a scandalous rumor some time back concerning ex-President Johnson and Mrs. Emily Harold, of Greenville, Tennessee, and the suicide of the lady in consequence of her hearing of the rumor. She learned of the affair by

means of an anonymous letter sent to Mr. Harold through the post office. Ever since her death, says the Nashville *Banner*, her friends have endeavored to discover the author of the anonymous letter, and for long weeks the investigation was pursued with caution and energy, until it was believed that evidence sufficient to fasten a charge was obtained. A warrant was obtained for the arrest of R. O. Harne, on a charge of libel, and the case came before three magistrates at Greenville. The proof concerning the authorship of the letter was of a circumstantial character, but the evidence has taken a wider latitude and the whole merits of the case have come under judicial consideration, entering into the truth of the charges against Mr. Johnson and the deceased. A witness arrested for perjury has also sued his prosecutor for ten thousand dollars damages for false imprisonment. The case promises to be long, bitter and exciting, and to involve many of the residents of Greenville.

RECENTLY England was visited by extraordinarily severe storms and floods. Streets in cities and towns and vast tracts of meadow land in the country were submerged, great damage was done and considerable loss of life is reported. In some localities the rivers rose higher than known for a quarter of a century before. At Philip's Park Cemetery, Manchester, the soil was washed away from the graves, lids of coffins were removed and the dead exposed, and coffins and bodies were washed entirely away. The police, with grappling irons and by other means, recovered a number of bodies as they were floating down the river and those without coffins were taken in shells to the police station. Several streets of Sheffield were flooded up to the windows of the houses, while the fields for miles around and the railways were submerged to the depth of four feet.

At Wigan the water entered an old coal pit, which by strenuous exertions was filled up by night, and the water kept out of the present works. The lower rooms of mills and factories all along the stream were also flooded, the boiler fires being extinguished, and the hands compelled to cease work.

## LIST OF AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES.

THE following is a list of agricultural, horticultural, and pomological societies, farmers' clubs, etc., in Utah Territory, as recorded in the books of the Department of Agriculture, June 1, 1872.

The first name after each society is that of the President and the second that of the Secretary thereof, followed by the post office address of the latter.

## DISTRICT SOCIETY.

Deseret Agricultural and Manufacturing Society, Wilford Woodruff, Robert L. Campbell, Salt Lake City, Salt Lake co.

## COUNTY SOCIETIES.

*Agricultural*—Beaver County Farmers' Club, J. R. Murdock, D. Tyler, Beaver, Beaver co.

Kane County Grape-Growers and Gardeners' Club, J. Jepson, R. W. Reeve, Duncan's Retreat, Kane co.

Sanpete County Agricultural and Horticultural Society, William F. Maylet, Edward Jones, Ephraim City, Sanpete co.

Tooele County Agricultural Society, Thomas Howles, J. J. Steel, Pine Canyon, Tooele co.

Utah County Agricultural and Manufacturing Society, D. Graves, A. F. McDonald, Provo City, Utah co.

*Horticultural*—Kane County Horticultural Society, L. Savage, A. L. Siler, New Harmony, Kane co.

## TOWNSHIP SOCIETIES.

*Agricultural*—American Fork Agricultural Society, J. Duncan, W. Parman, American Fork, Utah co.

American Fork Gardeners' Club and Mechanics' Institute, J. Robinson, E. B. Lee, American Fork, Utah co.

Bellevue Branch of the Rocky Mountain Pomological Society, J. H. Johnson, J. F. Johnson, Bellevue, Kane co.

Brigham City Agricultural and Manufacturing Society, Alvin Nichols, J. Bywater, Brigham City, Box Elder co.

Cedar City Agricultural Society, F. Webster, John Urie, Cedar City, Iron co.

Domestic Gardeners' Club, G. B. Wallace, J. McKnight, Salt Lake City, Salt Lake co.

Draper Farmers and Gardeners' Club, J. Terry, R. M. Rogers, Draper City, Salt Lake co.

Eastern Gardeners' Club, J. Proctor, W. Fuller, Salt Lake City, Salt Lake co.

Fairview Agricultural and Horticultural Society, H. W. Sanderson, W. Christensen, Fairview, Sanpete co.

Fayette Agricultural Society, W. Miller, James Miller, Fayette, Sanpete co.

Fountain Agricultural and Horticultural Society, N. T. Guymond, R. Lewellyn, Fountain Green, Sanpete co.

Goshen Gardeners' Club, W. Price, J. B. Johnson, Goshen, Utah co.

Gunnison Farmers, Gardeners' and Foresters' Club, S. Hanson, C. A. Madsen, Gunnison, Sanpete co.

Heber City Agricultural and Manufacturing Society, R. W. Glenn, Alex. Fortie, Heber City, Wasatch co.

Holden Farmers' Club, I. S. Holman, J. S. Giles, Holden, Millard co.

Hyrum Farmers and Gardeners' Club, G. P. Ward, Charles C. Shaw, Hyrum, Cache co.

Kanosh Farmers and Gardeners' Club, G. Crane, Wm. A. Wade, Kanosh, Millard co.

Lehi Branch of Utah County Agricultural and Manufacturing Society, I. Goodwin, John Woodhouse, Lehi City, Utah co.

Levan Farmers, Gardeners' and Mechanics' Club, E. Taylor, J. W. Shepherd, Levan, Juab co.

Logan Gardeners' Club, G. L. Farrell, Enoch Lewis, Logan, Cache co.

Manti Home Gardeners' Club, W. Anderson, J. L. Bench, Manti, Sanpete co.

Meadow Creek Farmers and Gardeners' Club, W. Stewart, A. Greenhalzh, Meadow City, Millard co.

Mendon Agricultural and Horticultural Society, I. Sorenson, A. Gardner, Mendon, Cache co.

Millville Farmers and Gardeners' Club, John King, F. Yeates, Millville, Cache co.

Minersville Agricultural and Horticultural Society, Elias Blackburn, George Roberts, Minersville, Beaver co.

Monroe Farmers and Gardeners' Club, M. Johnson, P. Sorenson, Monroe, Sevier co.

Moroni Farmers and Gardeners' Club, L. J. Anderson, Geo. Windons, Moroni, Sanpete co.

Mount Carmel Agricultural and Gardeners' Club, D. Stark, D. B. Fackrell, Mount Carmel, Kane co.

Nephi Farmers and Gardeners' Club, W. H. Warner, M. McCune, Nephi, Juab co.

Oxford Farmers and Gardeners' Club, Geo. Lake, A. P. Welchman, Oxford, Cache co.

Paradise Farmers and Gardeners' Club, J. Lofthouse, H. A. Shaw, Paradise, Cache co.

Paris Farmers and Gardeners' Club, James Athay, Walter Hoge, Paris, Rich co.

Parowan Gardeners' Club, T. Davenport, T. Durham, Parowan, Iron co.

Payson Farmers and Gardeners' Club, R. Wimmer, J. T. Hardy, Payson, Utah co.

Pleasant Grove Farmers and Gardeners' Club, W. West, J. Armistead, Pleasant Grove, Utah co.

Pleasant Vale Farmers and Gardeners' Club, S. Smith, Geo. Davis, Clarkston, Cache co.

Providence Farmers' and Gardeners' Club, M. D. Hammond, E. Stratford, Providence, Cache co.

Rockville Farmers' Club, H. Jennings, J. C. Hall, Rockville, Kane co.

Salina Farmers and Gardeners' Club, P. Rasmussen, Wm. McFadyen, Salina, Sevier co.

Scipio Farmers' Agricultural and Pomological Society, F. W. Fuller, T. Memmot, Scipio, Millard co.

Shoibsburn Farmers' Club, D. A. Washburn, J. J. Allred, Rockville, Kane co.

Smithfield Farmers and Gardeners' Club, R. Meikle, F. Sharp, Smithfield, Cache co.

Southern Auxiliary Agricultural Society, W. H. Dame, C. O. Pendleton, Parowan, Iron co.

South Cottonwood Farmers and Gardeners' Association, W. G. Young, S. Richards, Union, Salt Lake co.

Spanish Fork Gardeners' Club, C. H. Hale, C. Monk, Spanish Fork, Utah co.

Spring City Floral Club, Mrs. M. Com-mander, Mrs. E. Brough, Spring City, Sanpete co.

Spring City Gardeners' Club, J. Schofield, George Brough, Spring City, Sanpete co.

Springville Agricultural Society, W. Mendenhall, C. D. Evans, Springville, Utah co.

Saint George Gardeners' Club, J. E. Johnson, J. E. Johnson, Saint George, Washington co.

Toquerville Gardeners' Association, G. Spillsbury, W. W. Hammond, Toquerville, Kane co.

Virgin City Gardeners' and Floral Club, M. E. Jepson, Mrs. A. Isom, Virgin City, Kane co.

Virgin City Farmers' Club, G. B. Gardner, J. Humphries, Virgin City, Kane co.

Wales Gardeners and Farmers' Club, J. Midgley, H. Lamb, Wales, Sanpete co.

Wasatch Agricultural and Manufacturing Society, W. Foreman, A. Forti, Heber City, Wasatch co.

Washington Farmers' Club, James Ritchey, W. H. Crawford, Washington, Washington co.

Wellsville Farmers and Gardeners' Club, W. F. Darley, W. Darley, Wellsville, Cache co.

*Horticultural*—Levan Ladies' Horticultural Society, A. P. Shepherd, N. Shepherd, Levan, Juab co.

Manti Horticultural and Pomological Society, J. Crawford, J. P. Squire, Manti, Sanpete co.

Mona Horticultural Society, M. E. Johnson, S. W. Johnson, Mona, Juab co.

Rocky Mountain Pomological Society, J. E. Johnson, M. P. Romney, Saint George, Washington co.

## LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY, AUG. 13.

WANTED to know the whereabouts of George Gardner Fidler, by his brother, Henry Fidler, West Malvern, Herefordshire, England.—*Millennial Star*.

INFORMATION WANTED.—Any person knowing the whereabouts of Return R. Hill, who lived in the 10th Ward some years since, will confer a favor by communicating his address to Bishop John Proctor, 10th Ward.

MORE EMIGRANTS.—By courtesy of President Young we are enabled to publish the following telegram:

NEW YORK, August 12.

President Brigham Young:

Ward's company will leave to-night. All well. W. C. STAINES.

KAY'S CREEK, Aug. 10th, 1872.

Editor Deseret News:

Dear Sir:—I was surprised to see my name published in your paper as having been signed to the petition against the admission of Utah as a State. I want here to declare that I never saw nor read any petition of the kind, nor signed it, nor authorized any one to sign my name to it.

Respectfully, JAS. K. GREEN.

ST. GEORGE.—Brother Henry Eyring, from St. George, reports leaving there two weeks since. The Canaan Co-operative Stock Company, of which he is Secretary, recently declared a dividend of 48 per cent. for twelve months. The small grain crops were good, although the drouth had been severe, in consequence of which the corn and cane crops were limited. The grape crop was promising, although on stiff clay subsoils particularly mildew prevailed, a disease unknown in that locality until the last five years. The peach crop is light this year, the apple crop very light, pears very promising.

The Indians had been troublesome all the spring, encamping in the fields and suffering their horses to run in the growing grain, which had annoyed the people until they had become impatient, but no serious trouble was apprehended.

IN TOWN.—Professor Lyman Coleman, D. D., of Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., who completed the compilation of the book of the genealogy of the Lyman family in America, and Selden J. Coffin, Professor of Applied Mathematics, of the same college, are in the city on a passing visit, being on their way westward. Dr. Coleman designing to extend his journey to the Sandwich Islands and Professor Coffin going as far as San Francisco, both on a tour of recreation. The Doctor is in feeble health, notwithstanding which and his advanced age, he being seventy-six years old, he ascended Gray's Peak, Colorado, Aug. 2, an elevation of 14,450 feet. We trust their journey will be productive of much interest and pleasure to them and that they will return to the sylvan State reinvigorated and renewed physically and intellectually, and with many agreeable recollections of their trip to the Pacific.

INDIAN RAID.—The following dispatch was received last evening:

FAIRVIEW, August 12.—Last Saturday night, as our cow herd was coming in, the Indians broke from the cedars upon it, shooting two of the herders, one having his right hand badly shattered, and several arrows sticking into him. The other had bad arrow wounds. The boys turned out and recovered the herd and, overtaking the Indians four miles north, had a fight. The Indians then returned, driving off ten head of stolen horses. The boys then pushed on to Thistle Valley, to Savage's sheep herd. Companies of men were pouring in there all night, from other settlements, and the herds were safely brought in on Sunday. We are at a loss to know how much longer forbearance will continue to be a virtue. The recovery of one of the boys is doubtful.

EXTENSIVE DAMS.—Two very large dams have been lately built by this county at the head of Jordan rapids, near the point of the mountain south. The principal one is quite an extensive affair, having a sixty feet base, is 150 feet in length and fourteen feet high. Besides a large quantity of other materials, a thousand loads of rock were used in its construction. A gentleman who has visited the dams since they were completed states that they are as fine specimens of work of the kind as has ever been done in Utah. Bishop Archibald Gardner was the contractor, to whom credit is due for the really substantial character of the dams. This work will be of almost incalculable benefit to the county, as it will be the means of converting into fruitful fields an extensive tract of land that has heretofore been a barren waste—from 25,000 to 30,000 acres, to which water will be conveyed from the dams by means of a large canal. At the same point a bridge has been constructed, and a dug-way made on each side of the river, enabling travelers to cross the Jordan without difficulty, instead of having to ford it as heretofore. The amount already expended on the work is \$9,000.

INFORMATION WANTED.—Maggie Thomas, Box 454, East Bennington, Vermont, is desirous of learning something concern-