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LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY.

ST. LOUIS.—We learn through a letter from Elder D. M. Stuart, of the 14th inst., that he had closed his season's lectures in that city and neighborhood. He reports it is the expectation of the Saints in the neighborhood of St. Louis, who are desirous of living their religion, to emigrate the present season. The weather is very warm in that city.

PRESIDENT YOUNG AND PARTY.—President B. Young, Presidents Geo. A. Smith, Joseph Young, Sen., Elders Wilford Woodruff, Joseph F. Smith, John Smith, E. F. Sheets, T. W. Ellerbeck, Ezra T. Clark and John Squires reached Wahsatch a little before noon yesterday, and were there met by their teams and President D. P. Kimball, Bishop Wm. Budge, and Elders Joseph C. Rich, and Sol. Hale, and a mounted escort from Bear Lake Valley. The intention of the company was to proceed to Woodruff, 22 miles distant, and there stop for the night; to-day they intended to drive to Ithaca, at the head of the Lake.

OUR TERRITORIAL TELEGRAPH.—We publish, with pleasure, the following communication of Superintendent Musser, with regard to our Territorial Telegraph:

SALT LAKE CITY, June 27th, 1871.

Editor Deseret News:—It is not generally known that Utah is the only Territory of the United States that has built and owns a great many miles of Telegraph Lines. In this matter we are also ahead of some of the States. Our lines are now some 600 miles in extent. The Deseret Telegraph Company have already ordered the wire and other materials for additional lines, viz: from St. George in Washington, via Pine Valley, and Hebron, Panaca and Bullion City to Pioche, in Nevada, one hundred miles; another from Toker, via Virgin City, Rockville, Short Creek, Windsor Castle, Kanab, to Long Valley in Kane Co., one hundred miles; another from Payson, via Santaquin and Newton, (alias) Goshen, to Diamond, Silver, and Eureka Cities, in Tintic Valley; some twenty-six miles; another from Salt Lake City, via E. T. and Tooele Cities and Grantsville, in Tooele County, fifty miles; another from Salt Lake to Bingham Canyon, twenty miles; another from Echo to Coalville in Summit County, five miles, and still another from Franklin, Cache County, via St. Charles and Bloomington, to Paris, in Rich County, some thirty-five miles. These new extensions, when completed and added to those already built, will total about 1000 miles of telegraph wire belonging to the company. We hope to have these lines all completed within three months from date.

Respectfully,

A. M. MUSSER, Supt.

TERRITORIAL ITEMS.—Received by Deseret Telegraph:

BEAVER, June 27.

The last news item from here states that the Indian was arrested on Cove Creek. They inquired of Judge Murdock, by telegraph, what they should do with the prisoner. He told them to have him brought safe to Beaver, that he might be dealt with according to law. As the body had not been found, two of the party that arrested him took the prisoner to the scene of the murder that he might show where the body was. When on their way they met the brother of O'Connell, who accompanied them. The Indian showed them where he left the body, but it was gone. On looking around the party found an inscription on a tree close by, stating that the

miners who left Beaver in search of the body had found it, and from every indication they had just gone. On their return to the mill they fell in with the party having the body. It was then dark, and through a disagreement between the friends of the deceased and the party in charge of the prisoner, while going over the summit of a mountain, studded with brush and timber, he made his escape. The next place he turned up at was at Cove Creek early in the morning, where he awoke John King, wishing him to tell his squaws. Before the men of the Fort knew anything of this the prisoner had taken to the mountains. The news of Sissick's escape was made known to Mosoquap, Kanosh's war-chief, who scoured the mountains and re-captured him in the mountains northward of Cove Creek, and delivered him up to the authorities at Corn Creek, who had him sent to Cove. John Hunt, the Sheriff at Beaver, and Gideon Murdock went from here to Cove to bring the prisoner in. In Wild Cat Canyon they met the prisoner in charge of a party from Cove, and the Sheriff took the prisoner and brought him into Beaver. In the evening, after he was placed in a cell and ironed, and in charge of the Sheriff, the authorities of Beaver, with an interpreter, visited the Indian, holding a conversation with him in relation to the murder. While in the cell one James Puffer, a citizen of this place, came into the cell and offered his services to the Sheriff to stand guard part of the night. The Sheriff told him he had plenty of help. After the departure of the authorities and interpreter, and while the Sheriff was giving the Indian a drink, this puffer stepped up behind the Sheriff, having had a concealed weapon on him, and fired two shots at the prisoner, stating that he would save all further trouble with the "son of a bitch." The first shot struck the middle of the left hand, ranging up the palm of the hand and coming out in the wrist behind the thumb. The other shot was aimed for his heart, but the minute the first shot was fired the Sheriff turned around, striking Puffer's arm and knocking the muzzle down, the shot striking the centre of the left thigh, and passing down to the hip bone, the Indian being in a sitting position. Puffer was immediately seized by the Sheriff and constable and disarmed. This transpired on Saturday night. Yesterday morning about seven o'clock, while the Sheriff was at breakfast, he left one Charles Nickerson in charge of the prisoner. Dan O'Connell, the brother of the man whom the Indian killed, said he received from the Sheriff a verbal permit to visit the Indian. Nickerson, on the strength of this, allowed O'Connell to go into the cell where the prisoner was confined, at the same time leaving O'Connell alone with the prisoner. O'Connell took his revolver and fired five shots into the body of the prisoner, killing him instantly. Puffer and O'Connell are under arrest. The Indian will be buried this evening.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY.

MR SETH GREEN.—We are informed by A. M. Musser, Esq., that Mr. Seth Green, the Pisciculturist, when on his way from the East to California, a few days since, put 200 young shad in the Weber River. He has written to Brother Musser that he will furnish him with a quantity of eels and catfish on his return from the West.

DROWNED.—In another part of the paper will be found an obituary notice of a little son of Brother A. Milton Musser. The little fellow met with his death by drowning yesterday evening. He was found by his father in a barrel with but about one foot of water in it. The barrel is 2 feet 4½ inches high, and he must have made an extra effort to get into it, which it is believed he did to recover his hat or a tin cup which had fallen into it. He was a bright and most promising child. In connection with Dr. Anderson's skill everything was done to resuscitate him, but to no purpose.

TELEGRAPH EXTENSION.—We are informed by Mark Croxall, Esq., that the W. U. line of telegraph was, this morning, completed to Ophir City, East Canyon, and is now open for business in that place.

NEARLY A BIG FIRE.—Last night, about half past nine o'clock, the City Creek Foundry was discovered to be on fire. It appears that the workmen at the foundry had been casting yesterday, causing the wood work surrounding the cupola to become very much heated and ultimately to ignite. The watchman was at supper when the fire commenced and finding on his return, that he was unable to subdue the flames single handed, he sounded the alarm, when Bishop L. Young and others came speedily to his assistance and the flames were ex-

tinguished before much damage was done.

ITEMS FROM "OUR DIXIE"—Our St. George correspondent, "Athole," sends us the following, under date of the 20th inst:

"The wheat harvest has generally commenced in this region of country and the prospects are that there will be an abundant supply for our wants in this district, unless some may be foolish enough to dispose of it to those who have no particular interest in the building up of our Dixie. On account of the late high winds and the visitation of grasshoppers in the upper settlements the cotton crop will be much lighter than was anticipated. So far St. George is free from these insects and our prospects are still good for an abundant crop.

President Snow and the directors of the Canaan Stock Co-operative Herd, met last week at the herd ground, on Short Creek, which is situated about forty-three miles east of this place, and they report very favorably of the condition of the herd and its management, but as yet there is no reported dividend, as they have not finished appraising the value of the said stock. It is in contemplation to establish a dairy in connection with the herd, at the Upper Kanab, and a good range has been secured for that purpose. No doubt this will be a great benefit to this region of country, as butter and cheese is rather scarce.

It has been under consideration by the Board of Directors of the Mercantile and Manufacturing Co-operative Company, to amalgamate the interests of these institutions, and there is every probability of it meeting the minds of the majority of the stockholders.

Bro. Joseph W. Young and Bro. Miles P. Romney have been on a tour through the Western settlements, and report favorably therefrom.

The telegraph line between St. George and Pioche, which is under contemplation, will no doubt prove a success, as the settlements on the line are anxious to have telegraphic communication. Tenders have been requested for the supplying and putting up of cedar poles, and, when accepted, the line will speedily be completed.

We have a tri-weekly mail from Salt Lake to St. George, but the mail sometimes comes in and leaves the matter behind, and the time of arrivals appears to be regulated by the contractors independent of the public convenience.

A little boy about 10 years of age, the son of Bro. Wm. Carter, of this place, while driving up a span of mules on Sunday last, on horseback, one of the mules kicked at him and broke his leg below the knee. Dr. Higgins being absent from the city, Bro. D. H. Cannon set and bandaged up the leg, and the little fellow is doing as well as possible under the circumstances. President Snow, now that he can leave the house and drive around for a change of air, is gradually improving and gaining strength.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY.

LEFT FOR THE EAST.—Bishop John Sharp left for the East this morning. He will visit, before his return, St. Louis, New York, Boston and Philadelphia.

CACHE VALLEY.—Brother John King, of Millville, informed us yesterday that present prospects indicate that, in the aggregate, about half a crop will be raised in that settlement this season.

ITEMS FROM THE OGDEN "JUNCTION".—The following items are from the Junction of yesterday:

"On Monday evening last George M. Whitehead, eldest son of Mr. George Whitehead, of this city, was crushed to death while playing on the wheel of a molasses mill, in First street. The boy had just returned from school and was sent on an errand by his parents, but seeing some children turning the wheel of the mill by tramping it with their feet, he stopped to join in the pastime, but fell into one of the buckets and was carried around and jammed to death in an instant. Mr. Dinsdale, hearing of the accident, ran with an axe and chopped away the woodwork to extricate the unfortunate boy, but when taken out, he was quite dead. Only three quarters of an hour after he left his home he was brought back to his parents a corpse.

Yesterday we were shown a little bar of tin, weighing 21 dwts, which was run out of a piece of rock from the "Morning Star" mine, about three miles east of Ogden. The ore from this mine assays 250½ lbs of tin to the ton. We hear of other mines, rolling out rich silver ore, and we are informed that a company will be here in a few days to put up a smelter. Fetch it along.

On Saturday last Mr. Eugene Callay was coupling two cars on the U. C. R. R., at

Ogden. The headdraw being broken, caused the cars to come into near contact, wedging Mr. Callay in between them, bruising his back and chest, but fortunately not very serious.

The U. C. R. R. Co. are making a small side track near the engine house, at the foot of Fifth Street.

THE twenty-seventh of June is a day that will be ever memorable in the annals of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. It was on this day, twenty-seven years ago, that Joseph and Hyrum Smith, the Prophet and the Patriarch of that Church, fell victims to the unreasoning and diabolical rage of their enemies. How rapidly has time flown! Twenty-seven years! It seems scarcely possible that so many years have elapsed since that inhuman tragedy was enacted. It is only by permitting the mind to dwell on the events which have transpired since that day that one can fully realize how swiftly time has rolled since the Latter-day Saints abandoned their homes in the State of Illinois. The changes which have been accomplished during this period are of the most wonderful character, and yet to the Latter-day Saints they have not been unexpected. Those who resided at Nauvoo on the twenty-eighth of June, 1844, will probably never forget the dreadful gloom that fell upon the people on the morning of that day. But though their anguish was indescribable there was no abandonment of hope. They knew that whatever might be the fate of individuals, whether prophets or apostles lived or died, the work of God would progress and fulfill the destiny which had been assigned it. Thus far they have not been disappointed; neither will they be in the future. It is an old and oft-quoted saying that the blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church. Could the enemies of Joseph Smith, before killing him, have beheld the effects which have followed his martyrdom, they might have hesitated about carrying out their bloody purpose. But they supposed that, in killing him, they would kill the system of which, in the hands of God, he was the founder. It has not required the past twenty-seven years to convince the world that this was a dreadful mistake. This mistake of theirs is one that has been often repeated, and yet, strange to say, men fail to profit by the lesson. The argument of force may, under some circumstances, be readily used; but in these days, and in the case of the Latter-day Saints, it has signally failed to accomplish the designed end. Armed mobs, when assembled in superior force may wield irresistible power. They succeeded in plundering, driving, annoying and in many instances murdering Latter-day Saints; but what did they gain? Let the history of the past twenty-seven years answer. The victims of persecution occupied a city and a portion of a county or two; and their fame was confined to a limited circle; now they spread over a Territory, and they are known throughout the habitable world. Every step that has been taken to retard has had but the effect to accelerate. When will the world learn that in persecuting and killing men, they cannot kill the truth or prevent the spread of its principles.

200,000 POUNDS

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DESERET MILLS!

THOSE having Wool to sell will please call on J. W. CUMMINGS, at the Mill, or at his residence, 14th Ward, Salt Lake City, before disposing of it, as he wishes to Purchase all the Wool in the Territory. w2s42ma