

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY

THE FOURTH AT PROVO.—Brother Warren H. Dusenberry sends a short account of the celebration of the Fourth at Provo, from which it appears that the patriotic demonstrations were of the most enthusiastic character. At an early hour the brass band paraded the streets; at ten a. m., the citizens assembled at the bowery, where the exercises consisted of singing, prayer, reading of the Declaration, music by the brass band; a patriotic poem, composed for the occasion, was read by its author, S. S. Jones, Esq.; an eloquent oration was delivered by Dr. D. C. Roberts, which was followed by an address by Hon. A. O. Smoot. Our old friend Henry Maiben sang a song of his own composition, which with toasts and sentiments concluded the proceedings. In the afternoon and evening the folks, old and young, had a good time dancing.

SANDWICH ISLANDS.—Elder Wm. King, one of the Sandwich Island Missionaries, writing from Laie, on the 20th ult., to Bro. Geo. P. Nebeker, in this city, says the Saints and brethren, there are all well and doing the best they know how. The only difficulty at present is drouth, which threatens to cause a serious diminution in the yield of Kalo, the chief dependence of the natives for food.

TROOPS COMING.—The Helena Daily Herald, of June 20th says:

"From Dr. Whitefoot, we learn that Company 'B' 13th U. S. Infantry were at Kennedy's ranch last night, and will probably reach Helena to-morrow evening. After resting a day or two here, the command will proceed on its long and wearisome march to Camp Douglas, Utah."

The same paper says that General Gibbon, (late in command at Camp Douglas) since he assumed command of the military district has inaugurated some good and much needed improvements, the most conspicuous of which is the new ditch, six miles in length, which he is now constructing, for the purpose of supplying Fort Shaw with pure water. By means of this important work, the best of water, and an abundant supply too, is brought into the parade ground and convenient for the use of the whole garrison. Gen. Gibbon, with his wife and three children, is comfortably located in good quarters, and everything is neat and cosy about the Fort. The General is said to possess good executive ability and is very generally admired by the subordinate officers.

A REPLY.—We have received from Mr. Chas. S. Hammer, of this city, a reply to the letter of Mr. Morgan, published in Thursday's News, on mining matters in Cottonwood Canyon. Press of time and matter prevented its publication to-day; it will appear to-morrow.

ROUND VALLEY.—Bishop Tufts, of Round Valley, Rich county, called this morning and gave a brief, but very satisfactory, account of affairs in that part of the Territory. The Bishop left Round Valley last Tuesday, and up to that time there had been no locusts in that district of country, and crops of all kinds were looking well. He met no locusts until fifty miles from home. The citizens of Round Valley are putting in a dam, fifty feet high, into Big Spring Creek, which will be completed in a few days, and will bring under cultivation between five and six thousand acres of land, and will benefit the three settlements, Laketown, Pleasantville and Carl's. The ditches will not be opened till Fall. The people, as a general thing, are well in health, and, without exception, are enjoying their religion. They had a splendid time on the Fourth, at a public dinner, of which all, including Indians, were invited to partake.

GUNNISON.—Brother H. Thunneson writing from Gunnison, Sanpete county sends us the following items of news:

"We have but a small settlement here yet—about ninety families—and our people are more or less poor. The grasshoppers have preyed heavily upon us the last four years, and the losses and burdens we had to endure during the late Indian war were equally severe; but we are improving. Our field at present looks barren and desolate, except about two hundred and fifty acres planted with wheat, mostly late grain, which looks very promising and will most likely, with the addition of peas, potatoes, corn, etc., all of which appear to be doing well, suffice to feed the inhabitants of this place for the coming year. We are working diligently to make a good meadow, by the help of the abundance of water afforded by the Sanpitch river; it is already fenced and we have a fair prospect for some hay. A new saw mill is now running in Twelve Mile Canyon, belonging to H. H. Kearnes and Company, and with the good road now made up the canyon we expect to get an abundant supply of timber for building and fencing purposes. A new rock school house twenty-four by forty-four feet is being built and will be finished soon. Our co-operative store does a good and sure business considering the scarcity of money and the dulness of the times. Considerable of our present year's farming is being done on the co-operative principle and we expect to enter into it on a larger scale next year. Our mechanics are doing well, and a good deal of furniture is being turned out at

this place, for the supply of our own and other settlements. The people appear to be well generally in health and spirits. The weather is fine and as the grasshoppers get wings they take their flight to other parts."

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY.

[SPECIAL TO DESERET NEWS.]

HEAVY HAIL AND RAIN STORM SOUTH.—The following telegram has been received per Deseret Telegraph line:

St. GEORGE, S.—There was a severe hail storm here this afternoon which injured the fruit. After the hailstorm there came on a heavy rain storm, which lasted about an hour. At the cotton factory, Washington, a big flood came down immediately after the storm, doing considerable damage to the factory dam and water courses. The grist mill was also injured, together with the farms on the stream below the factory. The extent of the damage is unknown as yet.

President Snow and company started for Panaca and the north-western settlements, to-day; they anticipate being gone about two weeks.

DIED.—At noon, to-day, after a lingering illness, Harriett, wife of Bishop Jacob Weller, Third Ward. Funeral services at 10 a. m. to-morrow, at residence. Friends are invited to attend.

IN TOWN.—Elder C. C. Rich, of Rich county, called this morning. He left Paris on Wednesday morning, and up to that time there had been no locusts there; but when he reached Swan Creek, he met them in full force. They had done some damage on Tuesday night at some of the southern settlements; and if they alighted, being extremely numerous, they would be likely to make considerable havoc with the crops.

LAND OWNERS ATTEND!—All interested in the Seventh Ward pasture, and the prevention of trespass therein by stray stock should not fail to attend the meeting at the Fourteenth Ward School House, to-night at half-past seven o'clock.

"HOME AGAIN ONCE MORE."—We were very pleased to have a visit this morning from Elder Albert Carrington, who reached home from his mission in Europe a week ago. Having been formerly intimately connected with the News, and well acquainted with all hands the greeting was of the most cordial and friendly character. The many friends of Elder Carrington will be pleased to learn that he is well in health, and evidently never felt better in spirit. He has enjoyed himself away, but is glad to be again amongst his friends in the Valleys of the Mountains.

MINING STATISTICS.—As our readers are aware we have on two occasions published letters in the News, purporting to give a reflex of the mining prospects in Cottonwood Canyon. There are always two sides to every story, and we give space to-day to a communication, giving another view of the subject, from Mr. Hammer. We also publish, by request, the following statement of statistics, as to whether mining in that Canyon does or does not pay, which we are assured, on reliable authority, is bona fide:

Six hundred tons of ore already shipped in less than one year, and mainly from one mine, have netted to this Territory \$50,000, viz.:

Teaming, - - -	\$12,000
Miners, - - -	20,000
Merchants, - - -	18,000

This ore has been sold, as per the books of shippers, at an average of \$150 per ton; consequently this moiety of Utah has already produced from its bowels \$90,000. There is now at Little Cottonwood Canyon five hundred tons of ore ready for shipping or smelting, being of the value of \$60,000. This will continue to be shipped until our own smelting works save the Territory the heavy margins paid for carriage and reduction.

We have no reason to doubt the truth of the above statement, but it furnishes no proof whatever, that mining in Cottonwood Canyon is a paying operation. This statement shows the income, but only part of the expenditures are given, if they were given in full a very different showing might result.

BETTER STOP THAT PILFERING.—The writer of the following note means business and the parties alluded to had better cease their operations or they may find themselves in an awkward fix:

S. L. CITY, July 8th, 1870.

"Editor News.—I have been a sufferer by the grasshoppers to a large amount, but their ravages are nothing compared to the depredations of some mean, petty thieves, who seem to think that my orchard is at their disposal, and they have appropriated the most of what the 'hoppers' have left. Day after day has the fruit disappeared, until two trees, which were covered with the best of apples, have been made bare, and their thieving propensities have begun to work on a third and fourth. All efforts to stop them have proved fruitless, and as a last resort, I wish to inform them that if they do not stop, I shall publish their names as they are well known to me, or make them pay the uttermost farthing for the damage done.

Respectfully,

L. PRATT.

17th Ward.

Pio-Nic.—The Seventh Ward Sunday

School, under the direction of Superintendent McLachlan, accompanied by Bishop McLelland and many of the parents of the children, went for an out yesterday to John R. Hill's farm, on Mill Creek, and spent the day in the most agreeable manner. Bro. Hill has an excellent place for such a party to visit to have a day's relaxation and pleasure; though but just opened, and as yet unfinished, we know of no pleasure ground near this city possessing such facilities for enjoyment. He has a pond covering an area of four acres, on which are three very good boats, each large enough to accommodate from ten to sixteen persons, four large swings and a good bowery which furnishes a very agreeable shade from the hot sun and, under part of which a floor is laid where dancing may be indulged in. He has been at considerable expense in planting trees and laying out the grounds, to furnish a pleasant resort to a pleasure-seeking public, and he deserves encouragement for his efforts. The party yesterday started down about seven o'clock in the morning and some remained until quite late in the evening, indulging in dancing, swinging, equestrian, aquatic and other sports, until all were thoroughly satisfied with their day's enjoyment.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY.

BAD FOR LEVAN.—Brother James Wilson, of Levan, Juab County, writes on the 7th instant:

"The hoppers have taken all the grain here. I do not think that 200 bushels will be raised. This is the fourth year they have eaten us out, how many more years we can stand the pests is a question. This is the driest season we have had for six years, the grass is all dried up. Our water is decreasing very fast. We have too much land and too little water here to do much good at farming."

FOURTH IN THE SETTLEMENTS.—We have received accounts of the celebration of the Fourth of July, from Manti and Mount Pleasant, Sanpete county, Richmond, Smithfield, and Hyrum, Cache county; Cedar City, Iron county, Harrisburg, Washington county, and Grantsville, Tooele county. The festivities in every place were of the most imposing, enthusiastic and patriotic character, and were conducted in a manner becoming Latter-day Saints, enthusiasm and joy in no instances running into riot or licence, but good order, harmony and propriety were strictly observed.

FROM THE SOUTH.—We were pleased to meet Bro. John Bennion, on Saturday, who is up from the Dixie mission. He has a favorable report to make of matters in that southern country, and speaks encouragingly of the prospects of the missionaries there. Bro. Bennion has located at Panaca, Meadow Valley, and has charge of the co-operative sheep herd of that mission, which during the past winter and spring has been kept on the range east of Meadow Valley. The flock at present numbers about 1,700 sheep; the range is good and the sheep are doing well. The herd was only established last fall and a great many lambs came in the winter, several weeks earlier than they ought to, on account of which there was some loss attendant; but with careful management in the future, Bro. Bennion says, this may be avoided, and the enterprise be made a success. Another sheep herd is about to be established on the same principle, as also another co-operative cattle herd, to be composed of the stock owned in the western settlements of the mission, which facts show that the people of those parts are progressing.

SABBATH MEETINGS.—Yesterday morning, Elders Carrington and Raleigh addressed the congregation; in the afternoon, a highly interesting discourse was delivered by Elder Orson Pratt.

STRAW MANUFACTURE.—The town of Washington, Washington county, in this Territory, gives promise of becoming a noted place for the production of articles made of straw. Sister Adolphus Whitehead has called upon us and exhibited specimens of straw ornaments for ladies' hats and bonnets made in that town, which compare favorably with the finest work of the kind that we ever saw. Her mother, sister George Goddard, was with her, and had on a bonnet trimmed with these materials, which we thought very elegant. The ladies who manufacture these trimmings display remarkable skill and good taste, and if the business be properly managed, a thriving, remunerative branch of industry can be fostered, which will be of great advantage to those who follow it as well as to the entire community. There is not only the home demand, and that is very considerable, but there are the markets around to be supplied. Well made hats, with such trimming as this we refer to, might be sold in considerable numbers to ladies who visit this country, many of whom are desirous of carrying away with them some article made here as a souvenir of their visit to this Territory. Sister Whitehead expressed her intention of calling upon some of the ladies connected with the Female Relief Societies in town, to show them what the ladies of Washington are doing in the line of home manufactures. We trust they will not slacken their diligence; but will build up an extensive and stable branch of industry.

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Any person who will give information that will lead to the recovery of the above, or who will restore the same to JOHN B. KELLY, 7th Ward, will be liberally rewarded.

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STRAYED OR STOLEN.

FROM the divide between this place and Salt Creek Canyon, a Grey MARE, 8 or 9 years old; branded P F on the left hip, light mane.

Any one that will give information of her whereabouts will be liberally rewarded.

GEORGE CROWTHER,
Fountain Green, Sanpete Co

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