

if he declines to answer on the ground that he fears his answer may tend to criminate himself, he shall be rejected as incompetent.

Sec. 3. That the President is hereby authorized to grant amnesty to such classes of offenders against section one of the act of July first, anno Domini eighteen hundred and sixty two, entitled "An act to punish and prevent the practice of polygamy in the Territories of the United States and other places, and disapproving and annulling certain acts of the legislative assembly of the Territory of Utah," and section fifty-three hundred and fifty-two of the Revised Statutes as it stood before the passage of this act, for offences committed before January first, anno Domini eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, on such conditions and under such limitations as he shall think proper; but no such amnesty shall have effect unless the conditions thereof shall have been complied with.

Sec. 4. That the issue of plural marriages, known as Mormon marriages, in cases in which such marriages have been solemnized according to the rites of the Mormon sect, in any Territory of the United States, and such issue shall have been born before the first day of November, anno Domini eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, are hereby legitimated, and shall be entitled to all the rights of heirs and next to kin of their parents.

ANOTHER ANTI-MORMON BILL.

FOLLOWING is the text of another attempt to reach "Mormon" plural marriages by methods which no just person will countenance. It is evidently the work of the District Attorney for this Territory, who is spending the time which should rightfully be occupied here in the duties of his calling, in the manufacture of bills for the persecution of the people whose interests he is paid to serve, and in private wire-working to influence Congressmen in that direction: 45th Congress, 3d Session - S. 1864.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

January 21, 1879.

Mr. Christianity asked and, by unanimous consent, obtained leave to bring in the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A BILL

In reference to proof of Marriage in cases of Bigamy.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever in any prosecution for bigamy under any law of the United States, the defendant is a member of, or professed believer in, the doctrines or religious system of any particular church or professed religious association or organization, among whom marriages are not usually celebrated in public, or in the presence of people who are not members of or believers in the doctrines or religious system of such church, association, or organization, it shall not be necessary to prove the first or any subsequent marriage by the direct evidence of any eye-witness to such marriage, but the acknowledgment or habitual recognition by the defendant of any other person as his or her husband or wife; the treatment of each other by such persons as husband and wife; the living and cohabiting together apparently as such; the assertion or habitual exercise by the defendant of the rights or claims of a husband or wife towards or upon the person to whom such defendant is charged to have been married; their mutual recognition of a child or children as theirs; their behavior towards each other; their recognition as such by members of their family or the family of each or either or them; and any other conduct of the defendant tending to prove or authorize an inference of any marriage charged or involved in the case, shall be competent evidence to prove the marriage of such persons, upon which the jury may find the fact of such marriage, if satisfied of such fact beyond a reasonable doubt.

POISONOUS CARDS.

ATTENTION is directed to a communication from "A Citizen," in another column. The card referred to is in our possession, and contains a number of questions and answers with the title of "Lessons from the New Testament." It is a common, green, enameled card, printed on both sides. It was not issued from this office. The printed matter may be good, but it is evident that the coloring matter is very bad, containing, we believe, a considerable quantity of arsenic. From the effects of this article it appears that Sunday School Superintendents and parents, while using due discrimination as to the doctrines contained in imported Sunday School literature, should be equally cautious as to the poisonous character of the material on which it is printed. True, such cards and books are not designed for bodily but only for mental nutriment, but no one will want to have in the house articles so dangerous to health and life as these enameled expositors of spiritual doctrine, which are at the same time disseminators of physical disease and death. Look out for poisonous cards, and see that they are destroyed.

Local and Other Matters.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, JAN. 31.

Not Recovered.—The Ogden Junction says the body of the drowned lady, Mrs. Williams, has not yet been found.

Woman's Exponent.—The *Woman's Exponent* for February 1st, is out this evening. The leading prose articles are "Josephine, Empress of France," "Over the Hills and Far Away," "Chat by the Way," "Something about learned Women" and "God's Goodness and Power." "Tired Mothers," (selected), and "Old Songs," by Mrs. Crocheron, are the poetical effusions. It is an interesting number.

Arizona News.—We have before us a letter from a lady in Arizona to her father living in Weber County, from which we are permitted to make some extracts. The lady's family, though they have been two months in the country, are still living in tents, but the beautiful mild weather makes such a habitation exceedingly pleasant. Their time is principally occupied in plowing and putting in grain and in preparing enclosures for their cattle and chickens, the wolves being very destructive to the latter. Eggs find a ready sale at 50 cents a dozen, and butter at 75 cents per pound. About one thousand dollars worth of choice fruit trees had just arrived and were being distributed among the settlers. There are a number of wagons on the way to the new settlement, which is called Mesa City, and it is expected that by the 1st of April the railroad will be within 15 miles of them. A market will thus be opened for their produce, and a prosperous enterprising town will soon spring into existence.

It gives us great pleasure to record the progress and extension of settlements organized and occupied by the Saints. Before the righteous inhabitants of these valleys is about to open a bright future, when their rights and privileges will be universally recognized. Every movement, therefore, to the enlargement and advancement of Zion's cause will be witnessed with joy and encouraged by every true Latter-day Saint. We are satisfied that the power of this people will be felt and sought after by those shortsighted creatures who now with such consummate bigotry seek but vainly seek our overthrow and destruction. Success to the Arizona settlers!

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY, FEB. 1.

Boots.—The person who lost a pair of men's boots may be able to get them again if he will call at this office.

"Amateur."—The *Amateur* for February 1st is just issued and is filled with the usual amount of good reading matter. In point of literary ability and typographical appearance, the *Amateur* is a smart little paper.

Mortuary.—Sexton's Report for January: Males 48; females 51. Ages—under 1 year, 12; 1 to 5 years,

24; 5 to 10 years, 14; 10 to 20 years, 7; 20 to 30 years, 37; over 30 years, 5. Causes of death as reported—Diphtheria, 33; acute lung disease, 15; old age, 11; croup, 5; scarlet fever, 3; typhoid fever, 3; inflammation of the brain, 3; inflammation of bowels, 3; convulsions (infantile), 3; heart disease, 3; marasmus, 3; accidental, 2; bronchitis, 2; paralysis, 2; inflammation of liver, 1; puerperal fever, 1; premature birth, 1; stillborn, 1; apoplexy, 1; alcoholism, 1; measles, 1; uræmia, 1; total interments 99.

The deduction of 21 persons brought from country places for interment would leave the resident mortality 78.

JOSEPH E. TAYLOR, Sexton.

Mount Pleasant.—Bro. Edward Cliff sends us an account of a concert held in the music hall at Mount Pleasant on the 25th inst., for the benefit of the Sunday School. The performance was artistically and financially a success, the exercises being well rendered and well received by a large audience. At the conclusion of the concert, Professor Hasler, the leader of the choir, was presented with a testimonial of the respect and appreciation with which his services were received. The gift comprised a suit of clothes, hat, boots, handkerchiefs, etc., in fact a complete outfit of wearing apparel, for which the professor returned thanks in a brief and feeling speech. The whole proceeding was of a very pleasant character and will long be remembered by all present.

Supreme Court.—Proceedings of the Supreme Court yesterday, Chief Justice Schaeffer and Associate Justices Emerson and Boreman on the bench.

The People of the Territory of Utah, respondents, vs. Geo. Gough, appellant. The motion in this case for a dismissal of the appeal having been granted, it was ordered that a remittitur herein issue.

Erwin Davis, respondent, vs. the Flagstaff Silver Mining Company et al., appellants. The arguments in this case were concluded, and the case was submitted and taken under advisement.

Erwin Davis, appellant, vs. J. R. McBride et al., respondents; case argued, submitted and taken under advisement.

Court adjourned till this morning, at 10 o'clock.

Educational Association.—The Salt Lake County Educational Association met this morning in the Thirteenth Ward Assembly Rooms and was opened by prayer. Mr. H. W. Brown, trustee of the 25th school district, made some interesting remarks upon the duties of trustees, and the different ideas respecting such duties. The speaker gave his own views upon this subject and the manner in which the school was conducted in his district.

Miss Kittie Heywood gave a brief account of her manner of teaching writing.

Mr. Horace Cummings explained the uses and advantages of a knowledge of drawing.

Dr. Park made suggestions concerning the benefit to be derived from a discussion of the different methods of teaching, in which Supt. Lewis concurred.

The time of meeting hereafter was changed from 10 o'clock to 1 p. m. For the next meeting, which will be held next Saturday in the same building, the following is the programme:

Duties of trustees, J. T. Caine, 18th district.

Manner of conducting a primary class, Miss V. Clayton, teacher 17th district.

Orthography, Samuel Oldham, teacher 40th district.

A Good Man Gone.—We have to chronicle the death of Elder Dimick B. Huntington, who departed this life, this forenoon, at 25 minutes after 11 o'clock, in the 71st year of his age. The cause of his demise was paralysis, with which he had been afflicted, at times, for two years, the last attack being about eight weeks ago, since which time he had been confined to his bed. The Sunday before he was taken ill, he had gone to meeting, as he said, "to bear his testimony for the last time," and spoke in defense of the truth, for which he had battled bravely all his life. The next day he fell sick. Among his closing words were the following: "I am dying by inches; but I am not afraid to die, for I have been an honest man." A volume could say no more. "Uncle Dimick," as he was familiarly and affectionately known, was an early member of

the Church, passed through the Missouri persecutions and never wavered in the most trying scenes. He was a member of the "Mormon Battalion," and after being honorably discharged from duty, arrived in Utah four days after the advent of the pioneers in July, 1847. Since that time he has held the office of Indian Interpreter, and done a great work among the Lamanites, who called him "father," and knew and loved him for a true and warm-hearted friend.

He was much respected by all who knew him, and lived and died an honest man and a faithful servant of God.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY, FEB. 2.

Court Notes.—The February term of the Third District Court met this morning at 11 o'clock. As the session of the Supreme Court has not been concluded an adjournment of the District Court was taken.

On Saturday in the Supreme court the case of E. Anthony, et al respondents vs. C. R. Savage was in progress.

Arizona.—Brother C. I. Robsen, writes as follows, from Hayden's Ferry, Maricopa County, Arizona, under date of Jan. 23:

"Everything is prospering, the brethren are all busy clearing land and putting in crops. I arrived here on the 8th inst., the company from Bear Lake, J. F. Phelps, Dany, Leswer, Hibbert, &c. arrived on the 14th, they have all taken stock in our ditch and are highly pleased with the country."

Lecture.—Elder Joseph F. Smith will deliver his lecture on the Early History of the Church next Wednesday evening in the 11th Ward assembly rooms. The gentleman's own experience, and his familiarity with the subject, together with his interesting theme and recognized ability as a speaker, will, we expect, draw together a large audience. The lecture begins at 7 o'clock and is free. The public are invited.

Police Doings.—The police, on Saturday, arrested a man for being drunk, and another one for owning a "vicious and malicious dog," which he allowed to run at large.

The trial of the man and woman accused of selling beer without a license, came up this morning and was being continued when we went to press. Quite a number of witnesses were to be examined, Judge Snow conducting the prosecution, Mr. Dilzey appearing for the defense.

Land Patents.

UNITED STATES SURVEYOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, Utah Territory, Salt Lake City, February 1st, 1879.

The exterior and subdivisional plats, with descriptive lists of fractional surveys in township No. 1 south, ranges Nos. 2 and 3 east; executed by Chas. W. Hardy, United States Deputy Surveyor, were this day filed in the Local Land Office in this city.

FREDERICK SALOMON,

U. S. Surveyor-General for Utah Territory.

The Art Preservative.—Before us lies the best specimen of printing we have ever seen in this Territory. It comes in the shape of an invitation "with the compliments of the craft," to attend a Typographical Reunion Ball, to be given by the printers of this city on the eve of St. Valentine's day, at the Emporium Hall. There is an elaborate array of committees, and the management of the party is placed in such competent hands that remarks on the success of the reunion would be unnecessary and out of place. Olsen's quadrille band will furnish the music, Mr. Jas. Currie will do the prompting, and dancing will commence at 8 o'clock. Tickets, one dollar.

Mysterious Assault.—On Saturday night, a little after 9 o'clock, Mr. Joseph McMurrin, Jr., of the 8th Ward, after having been shaved at Squires' barber shop, started out for home. He had not reached the corner of the Deseret Bank, when he received a blow in the face with what he believed was a bottle, from some unknown hand. He staggered back under the assault, but did not fall, and recovering, looked in vain for his assailant. He bled profusely from a gash in the side of the nose and a number of scratches on the forehead, but made his way home where he was promptly at-

tended to. He says he had no chance to recognize the one who struck him, nor does he know whom to suspect.

Capsized.—We are informed that a party of men, rather the worse for liquor, were driving down the State Road at a late hour on Saturday night, when their team, a splendid pair of animals, became impatient or frightened and commenced to run. The driver was thought to be too weak to manage them, and the other occupants of the wagon interfered to take the control into their own hands. In the scuffle which ensued the horses were partially turned a little off the main road, and a bridge being close at hand, they ran too near the edge of it, and the wagon with its quarrelsome freight was overturned into an icy stream. The inebriates all regained the bank in safety, having lost some of their blankets, but having regained their sober senses.

Missionary Report.—A letter from Elder Joseph B. Elder, now laboring in England, informs us that he has been very busy in traveling and preaching since he arrived in that land. The people are becoming more and more interested in the gospel, and there is an ardent desire among the faithful to gather to these valleys. The difference between the condition of the people of Utah and the condition of the people of England is indeed too well-defined, and every effort is being made by those still in Babylon to reach the gathering place in these mountains. Brother Elder describes the miserable position the poor in foreign lands now occupy, and thinks that those who are disposed to grumble and find fault with our advantages, only need a trip to Europe to cause them to heartily appreciate what they now so foolishly despise.

Priesthood Meeting.—A meeting of the Priesthood of this Stake was held in the 14th Ward assembly rooms on Saturday, February 1st, commencing at 11 a. m. After the opening exercises, the roll was called. Angus M. Cannon, David O. Calder and Joseph E. Taylor, presidency of the Stake, were present, and all the wards of the Stake were represented by some of the presiding authorities, excepting the 12th and 20th Wards of the city, and the Mill Creek and Brighton Wards of the county. Bishop John Sharp and his counselors were detained from meeting in consequence of having a funeral to attend.

Remarks were made on the nature and office of peace-makers, and the gratifying result that had attended the presidency of the Stake and others when laboring in that calling; the disposition of some to anticipate the counsel and policy of the servants of God, instead of waiting patiently till the word of the Lord came and then unswervingly performing it; the advisability of localizing the labors of Teachers and throwing the full responsibility of their callings upon them, that they might be aware of the condition of the saints under their charge and be able to note any changes, either statistical or from a spiritual standpoint that might occur among the saints under their jurisdiction, and be able to check evil and ill feeling in its incipency; also of the bishops assisting the teachers in cases that required special attention, and of their visiting the Saints generally throughout their wards as often as practicable. The necessity for completing the Stake Tabernacle as early as possible; in regard to the appointment of meetings so as not to conflict with each other or crowd upon each other too closely, and the necessity for the young being judiciously checked in their excesses in round dancing, to give older persons an opportunity to mingle in the dance with them.

The speakers were: Presidents David O. Calder and Joseph E. Taylor, Bishops Wm. A. Bills, David B. Brinton, John Neff, Solomon J. Despain, Lewis H. Mousley, Samuel Bennion and Apollos G. Driggs and President Angus M. Cannon.

Elder Geo. Goddard stated that, to keep the work moving on the Stake Tabernacle and utilize the labor donations that could be obtained during the winter, the committee would require two or three thousand dollars with which to purchase materials, and inquired if they were to go ahead.

A motion was unanimously carried that the Committee crowd the work ahead, and that those present would back them up to the extent of their influence.