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Local and Other Matters.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY, MAY 24

Excursion to Lakeside.—The Wasatch Fire Company purpose having an excursion to Lakeside on May 30th, Decoration Day, on which occasion boating, dancing, picnicking and other amusements will be engaged in. The party will be accompanied by a quadrille band. An invitation is before us.

Protect the Little Ones.—We hear of some cases of children being afflicted with scarlet fever and diphtheria combined, a very dangerous malady, probably superinduced by sudden changes from dry weather to damp and vice versa. In such rapid atmospheric transitions the clothing and general care of children should receive extra attention, to enable them to ward off disease.

Dedication Meeting.—Last Sunday, May 21st, the splendid new meeting house of Mill Creek Ward was dedicated. There were present on the occasion, of the Twelve Apostles, Elders John Taylor, Willford Woodruff and Joseph F. Smith. Elder Woodruff offered the dedication prayer, and discourses were delivered, replete with timely, judicious instruction, by Elders Taylor, Smith and Woodruff, and a few appropriate remarks were also made by Bishop Reuben Miller.

Considering the inclement state of the weather the meeting was well attended, and a good spirit prevailed.

The building is as well finished as any in the Territory, being a credit to the people of Mill Creek Ward. The upper room of the vestry, which is carpeted and otherwise furnished in good style, was dedicated specially for prayer meetings, and for Relief Society purposes.

An Ancient Fort.—One of the Arizona settlers writes to a relative in this city, and states that while himself and a couple of others were exploring in the vicinity of the San Francisco Mountains recently, they discovered an ancient fort, the walls of which are two stories high, and well and compactly built, the mason work being far superior to anything done in that line by the present native inhabitants of the country. The fort is situated in a wash, in such a position as to be almost impregnable, so that a small body of men in it could hold out against great numbers of assailants. It is a large building, and the walls are perforated, on every side, by port holes. Adjacent to this fort are standing the walls of what have been the houses of a considerable village. All those buildings appear to be very old, many hundreds of years, all of the timber formerly part of their construction having decayed, mouldered and disappeared with age. This curious relic is about half way between the Little Colorado River and the San Francisco Mountains.

Committed Suicide.—Shortly before six o'clock last night the inmates of the Pacific House, East Temple Street, and vicinity were startled by hearing the report of a couple of pistol shots, fired in a room of that establishment occupied by one William B. Smith.

Several persons proceeded to the apartment and, on breaking in the door, found Smith lying on the floor, a large pistol near him, and a couple of bullet wounds in his head, in the vicinity of the right ear. He was insensible when found, and expired in a few minutes afterwards.

A short time subsequently Coroner Taylor and a jury held an inquest over the body, the evidence adduced showing that the deceased was about thirty-five years of age, was late of Virginia City, Nevada, and a butcher by trade, and that he was last in the employ of Mr. Charles Marlitt, butcher of this city. Also that deceased was much addicted to drinking, had manifested that he was in mental trouble, stating that he had loaned a party in this city \$120 in gold and could not recover it, that he had killed a man in Nevada and several times expressed an intention to make an

end of his life, that he might be freed from his troubles. He had also addressed a badly written note to his employer, expressing that determination, which had been picked up in his room before the deed was perpetrated, but it was deemed to be only one of his idle threats.

City Council.—The council met last evening, Mayor Little presiding.

Petition of Mrs. L. W. Kimball, for compensation for gravel taken from a lot owned by her and distributed upon the public streets; referred to committee on streets and alleys.

Petition of Sanders & Sprague, for the remission of their assayer's license fee from April 30th, having gone out of business on that date; referred to committee on license.

The liquor license of George Higgins was, on petition, transferred to W. G. D. Jenks.

Bill of Dr. Young, \$12, for professional services in attending a workman injured while employed on the waterworks, was, on recommendation of the committee to whom it was referred, allowed and appropriated.

The committee on streets and alleys reported favorably on petition of John Crane, for the privilege of building a platform over the sec. in front of his premises, First South Street; prayer granted.

Bill of Jesse W. Fox, surveyor, for professional services, \$77; referred to committee on claims.

One month's salary for J. L. Rawlins, city attorney, \$166.66, was allowed.

Bill of A. H. Raleigh for one month's salary, from February 15 to March 15, for services as superintendent of the Insane Asylum, \$83; allowed.

A proposition to construct a fire alarm telegraph apparatus was received and referred to committee on improvements.

A request of the Decoration Day finance committee for an appropriation to aid in defraying the expenses of the approaching celebration, was referred to the committee on ways and means, who reported, in effect, that the condition of the finances of the corporation rendered the granting of the request inexpedient; report adopted.

Council adjourned till next Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock.

The Joke of the Season.—The political joke of the season is the mention, in connection with the office of next Vice-President of the United States, of the spread-eagle ex-Governor George L. Woods. And who would ever have thought that he would have been dubbed "one of the most accomplished orators of the country?" This will sound funny to those who are familiar with the bombastes, furious, windy, hypocritical style of George L., whose highfalutin was so immense as to be somewhat painful. He had a set speech, which he always invariably delivered, filling in with alterations and additions, according to the occasion. In alluding to a speech of his, delivered at Corinne, a contemporary stated that it would have been good enough if it had not been got off before. He was great on the spread-eagle business, and would dilate about as follows, in his accomplished, oratorical style—

"The glorious spectacle presented to the gaze of an admiring world, in the stupendous progress indicated by the inconceivable development of the immense resources of this unsurpassable republic, is one which causes the heart of every true, patriotic American to experience an intense thrill of inexpressible delight. It is a spectacle too for the parallel of which the pages of history must ever be investigated in vain; for under the invincible flag of our grand country has the great problem of human government had an unmitigated solution, and as the tidal waves of civilization roll on the future, the interminable ages of the future, may we not expect, from the impregnable foundation that has been laid, that America will continue to lead the van in all that is great, stupendous, huge, noble and magnificent, among all

the nations of this terrestrial, subliminary ball."

As a wind machine George is accomplished.

Should be Taken Care Of.—An insane man, who asserts he is the "third man from Adam," a peculiar looking fellow with long hair, who has several times been in the chain gang, has been arrested and is confined in the City jail, there being strong evidence to the effect that he yesterday committed the brutal crime of violating the person of a little child about ten years of age.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, MAY 25.

Provo Valley.—We learn from Bishop A. Hatch, of Provo Valley, that the prospects for good crops in that locality are promising.

Release.—Elder Mons Peterson is released from his labors in the Scandinavian Mission to return home on the 10th inst.—*Millennial Star*, May 3.

Mendon.—Bishop Henry Hughes, of Mendon, Cache county, was in town to-day. He states that harvest prospects were never better in Cache than now. So far as he is aware, grasshoppers have not shown themselves as yet.

The Waterworks.—The hydrants on East Temple Street were to have another thorough test this evening, after which a reduction in insurance rates is expected to be largely in order.

Getting Over It.—Sam Rogers, severely stabbed by the lunatic Sherman, was able to get out of bed a little while to-day, the first time since receiving the injury. He has had a close call, but appears to be about out of danger now.

Murder in the Second Degree.—Philip Shaffer, tried in the First District Court at Provo, for the murder of Peter Van Valkenburg, has been found guilty, by the jury, of murder in the second degree, the same verdict as that against W. B. Kelly, tried in the Third District, for the same crime.

A Snug Place.—The premises occupied by Zion's Savings Bank and Trust Company, north of the Post Office, have lately undergone a repairing, painting, calcimining and general rejuvenating process, and it is a tidy snug, little banking institution, with Mr. B. H. Schettler behind the counter, always on hand to politely attend to the business wants of those who call upon him.

A Pleasant Affair.—From our Brigham City correspondent, "A. C.," we have a note descriptive of a very pleasant reception given at that place, on Monday, 22d inst., by Brother and Sister George F. Gibbs, married the day previous. The party was given at the residence of the bride's father, Elder Lorenzo Snow, where a number of friends spent a few hours very agreeably together.

The "Glorious Fourth."—The enterprising people of the City of Ogden appear determined to have a rattling, rousing celebration in this Centennial year. From the committee on invitation of the "Utah Territorial Centennial Celebration to be held in this City (Ogden) on the 4th day of July," we have an invitation to be present and view the proposed grand doings on the occasion.

Ready for Distribution.—Mr. William Clayton, Territorial Auditor of Public Accounts, announces that the "Journals of the Legislative Assembly," 22nd Session, the "Statistical Report of the Deseret Agricultural and Manufacturing Society," and the "County Financial Reports" are ready for distribution, and can be had of him by members and officers of the late Legislative Assembly, Probate Judges, City or County Libraries.

Left His Home.—Two weeks ago last Tuesday Lucien Jacobs, who has been *non compos mentis* for a year past, left his home in Midway, Wasatch County, since which time his friends have heard nothing of him. There is a suspicion that he has drowned himself, as he made two attempts to commit self-

destruction previously. When he left home he had no hat on. He is about forty years of age, of dark complexion, and the top of his head is bald. He has four children, who are in great anxiety of mind concerning him, and would be thankful to learn of his whereabouts or fate. Address Joseph Jacobs, Midway, Wasatch County.

Church Publications.—In answer to many enquiries about certain Church works we have to state that the Book of Mormon will be ready and on sale in about eight days from this date.

The Book of Doctrine and Covenants, now out of print, will be ready, if nothing unlooked for occurs to prevent, in two months from now. The new edition is revised, re-arranged, according to the dates upon which the revelations were received, and is divided into sections and verses, in a somewhat similar style to the construction of the Bible. It will also contain several revelations that have not appeared in any former edition.

The pamphlet, "Does the Bible Sanction Polygamy, a Discussion between Elder Orson Pratt and the Rev. J. P. Newman," is in hand and will be ready in about a month from now.

Persecution.—Those useless members of society, corner loafers, are about to be driven from their most favorite rendezvous, the Exchange Buildings corner. The proprietors of the premises have become convinced that the presence of the obnoxious crowd has materially injured their business interests, the squirting of tobacco juice, the effluvia arising from the presence of odorous breathing loaded with bad whiskey, the rude gaze of the loafer and frequently still ruder remark being a means of deterring ladies from entering the store. In view of this the wooden awning covering the sidewalk, under which the loafers have been in the habit of taking refuge, is being torn down, and, in place of it, canvass shades will be erected over the windows. Thus the loafer's brigade is being driven from pillar to post.

On the third page of this issue will be found the advertisement of "Duryeas' Satin Gloss Starch." This article has been very extensively used in this Territory for several years. We have conversed with quite a number who have used it, and their verdict has been, that it was the best they had ever used. It gives a beautiful white glossy finish and renders fabrics very durable. No greater evidence of superiority can possibly be given than the fac-similes of prize medals that have been awarded it in the various localities and countries where it has been used. The demand for it is increasing all the time. It is sold in every State and Territory in the Union, on the continent of Europe and throughout Australasia. It can be obtained at Z. C. M. I. and at all the principal dry goods and grocery stores in the Territory. Read the advertisement.

BORN.
In this city, May 24, 1876, to the wife of Charles Holm, a daughter. Mother and child are doing well.

DIED.

In the 11th Ward, Salt Lake City, Tuesday morning, May 23, ROBERT HOULETT, aged nearly 66 years.

Decceased was born in Great Britain, Norfolk England; was baptized into the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints about 1853; came to Salt Lake City in 1866; was a member of the High Priests' Quorum. He was true to his religion, and died in full faith of the gospel, in the hope of a glorious resurrection.—[C.O.M.]

The funeral services took place this morning at 10 o'clock, in the 11th Ward School-house.

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In the 3d Ward of this city, May 23d, CHARLES, son of Timothy and Elizabeth Hall.