

Correspondence.

PAYSON, Oct. 19, 1873.
Editor Deseret News.

On the night of the 17th inst. there was a dance in Jas. Reece's school house in the eastern part of town, at which, it is said, there was considerable whisky and noise. An Indian, by the name of "Henry," who has been raised among the whites and who was about eighteen years old, tried to gain admittance, but not being among the invited he was pushed back. At length a young man, by the name of Thos. Brown, went out, and, under the influence of liquor some say, challenged Henry to a fist fight, Brown being much the larger man of the two. Notwithstanding this disparity in size, Henry accepted the challenge and at it they went. Henry gave Brown two or three heavy blows with his fist, the last of which staggered him, so that he came near falling. At this point Brown stepped back, remarking that he was not ready, and began pulling up his pants that had slipped down. While doing so, it is supposed some one in the crowd slipped an open knife into his hand. Saying he was now ready, he came forward and striking over Henry's shoulder he inflicted a wound in his back, and drawing back a second time, stabbed him in the belly. Henry now cried out that Brown had a knife and that he had been stabbed. He was led off toward home, but he had not gone far before he fell to the ground. He was carried to the residence of Mr. T. G. Winner, where he had been living and put to bed. A surgeon was sent for and everything done that could be done to save his life. He died, however, last night, about twenty-three hours after he was wounded. Brown is in custody, and seems to feel very badly. He has generally been looked upon as being a quiet, inoffensive kind of young man, and his parents are very respectable, good people. He says he does not know how the knife got into his hand, or who gave it to him. Quite a number of young men were witnesses of the fight, but nobody saw any one give him a knife. An inquest was held on the body, and a verdict was returned in accordance with the above facts.

I. M. COOMBS.

ST. GEORGE, Oct. 14th, 1873.

Editor Deseret News:

For some time past we have had pleasant weather, the days warm, the nights cool, no frost, but to-day a strong north-west wind is blowing, unroofing one house in the upper part of town, and clouds of sand and dust are flying.

The late rains have made the crops of cotton and corn in the Santa Clara settlement good, and much beyond the expectations of the people, as during the summer they were to some extent in doubt of raising any crop, but now they feel their faith in and obedience to President Young's counsel of last winter, amply rewarded in the present prospect of good crops. Considerable bread stuffs will have to be hauled here this winter.

Mayor J. W. Powell passed here yesterday, on his way to Salt Lake City. He says the Indians on the Muddy Reservation have put in some 400 acres of Fall wheat, and that they manifest a willingness to word. He regards the country as an expensive one to improve and keep up, because of floods, etc., and that the first settlers did a good amount of labor and improvement.

Coal has been discovered on North Ash Creek, about six miles west and south of Belle Vue. It appears of the same quality as that brought from Kanarra. One vein is twenty-two inches thick, another three feet and a half. Iron ore of good quality has also been found. Bro. Jacob Beacham brought in some of the coal to-day.

A few men are at work on the public works, some in the Quarry, on the Temple, and Tabernacle; laborers are scarce, as many go north to find cash employment, to secure breadstuff, etc. The general health of the people is good.

Thos. John, son of Bro. Thomas Hall, was buried last Saturday, the 11th inst. He took cold while at work in the field, followed by a severe fever. He was a young man, much esteemed, and leaves a wife and one child, a son, born the same day and but a few hours before his father was interred.

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The death of the great painter Landseer recalls the anecdote relating to Sydney Smith, who, being asked to sit for his portrait to the delineator of the canine race, replied, "Is thy servant a dog that he should do this thing?" This was both "Dignity and Impudence."

All these troops were the elite of the Prussian elite, and I need hardly add that they were in every respect, perfect in their bearing and training. They came up, company after company, squadron after squadron, in straight lines, with close ranks, the colonels with lowered swords, the men and officers with staring eyes fixed on their sovereign and on the group before which they passed—a silent, grim, fire-breathing array, tramping on, irresistible as a steam engine and inexorable as fate—the most wonderful result to which years of training and discipline and the most assiduous application of science can bring a raw mass of men.—Berlin Letter.

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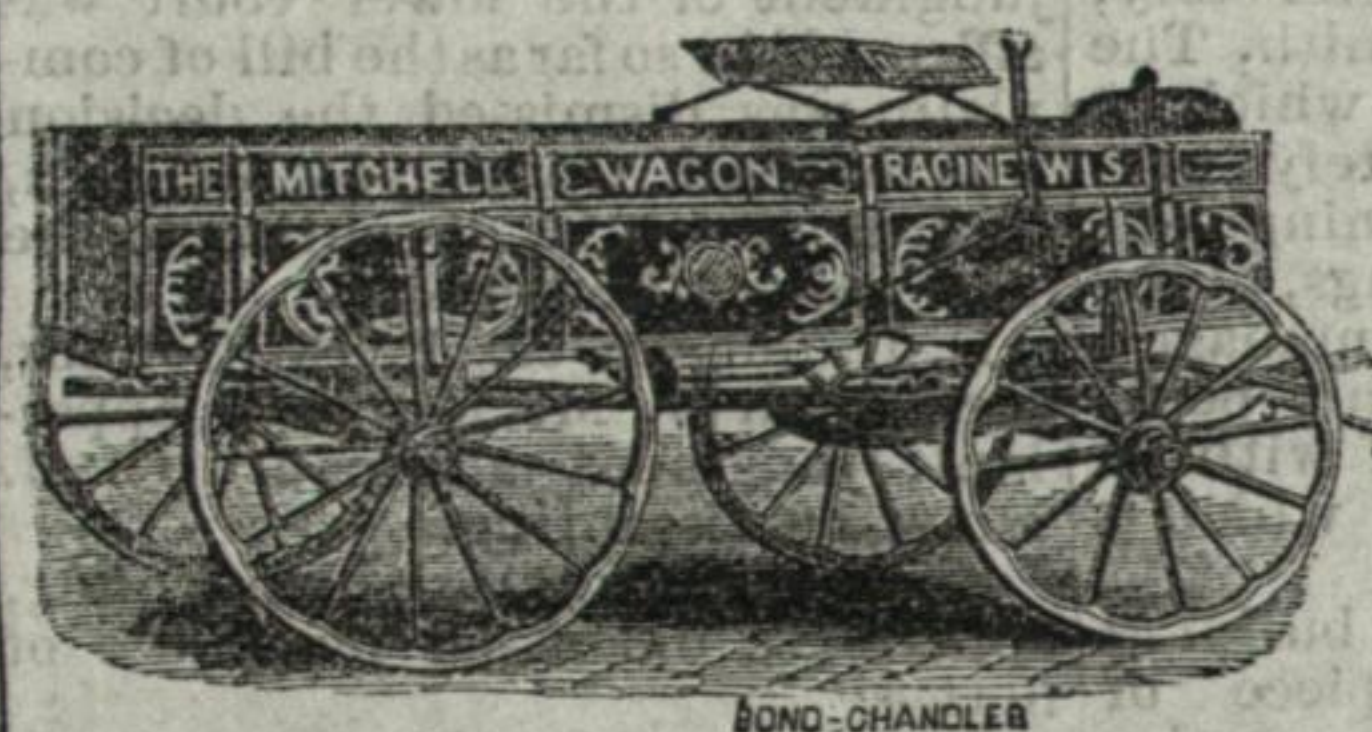
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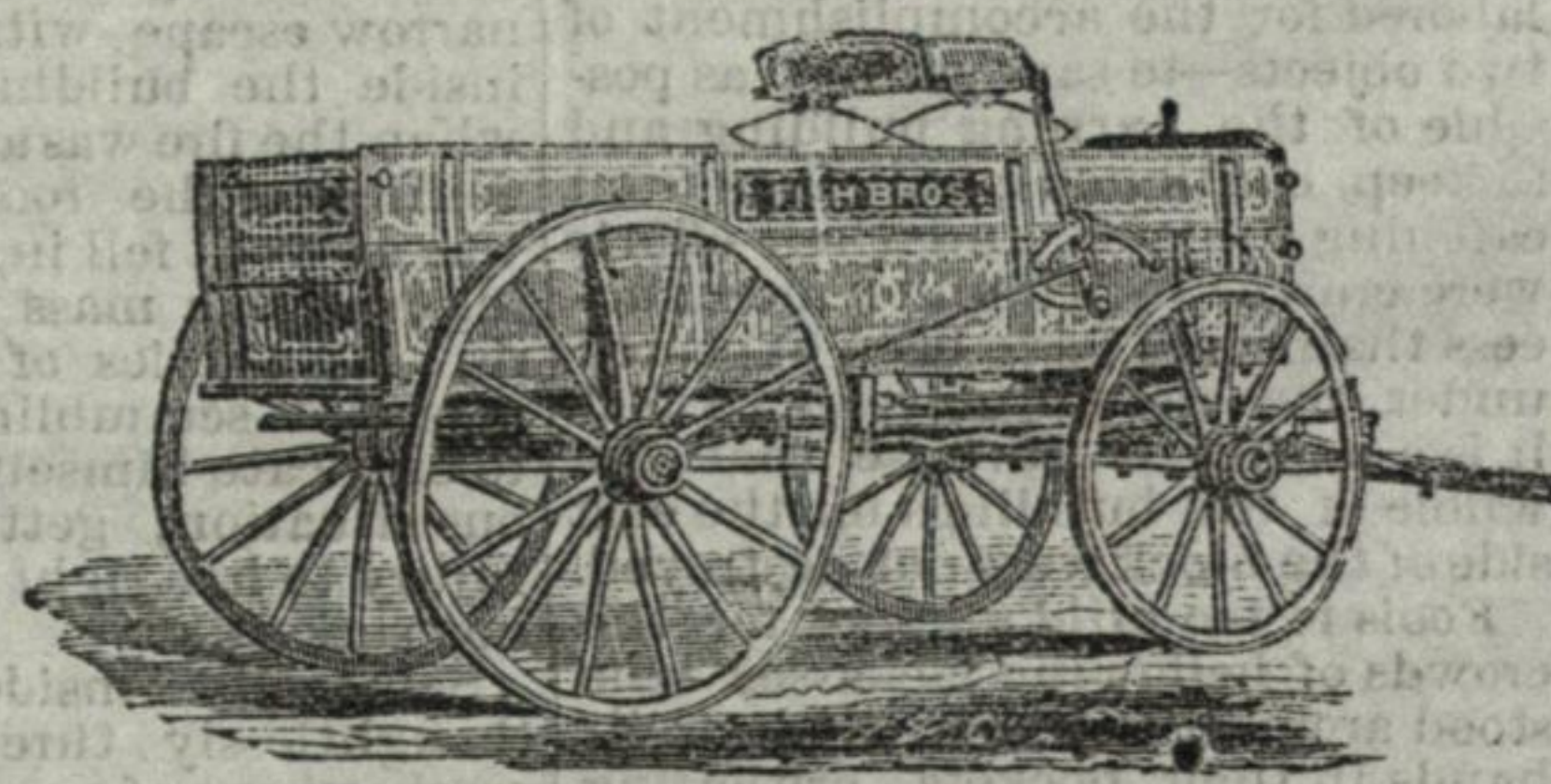


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