

[From the Homestead.]

The New Yam.

A certain person of my acquaintance met me one day with a triumphant air.

"I have got it at last, W——. Here it is!"

"What?" said I, breathless with curiosity.

"Oh! THE DIOSCOREA BATATAS!" (do print that in big letters to express the tone.)

"Angels and ministers of grace! What upon earth is that?" returned innocent I, supposing it to be no less than a Mexican mummy, or a three-tailed Japanese pig, or may be some Persian utensil from a hole in the ground out East.

"Why, my dear!—the new yam!"

"New ham?" said I, a little doubtful and a little crest-fallen.

"Yam!—yam!—don't you recollect!—the vegetable that we hope will supersede the potato—grows to an immense size—is common food for the Chinese—produces great crops—no trouble in cultivation—floury, nutritious, esculent."

What could I say but "H-m?"

So, with all honors, the small tuber was planted in a bed, dug, manured and raked, as if it had been for a hot-bed of exotics. (No trouble to cultivate!) Long did man and maid watch the bed, up-rooting intrusive purslane, quick pigweed, pepper pot, and witchgrass; till one day, the master shouts over the lawn—"It's up—it's up!"—I started—did he mean the Peteron Tomnoddy stocks?—I began to hope.

"My dear W—— the Dioscorea Batatas is up!"

Had I been a man, with the privileges of the sex, I should have said, — never mind, I'll suspend, what I didn't remark. I did say, "Oh!" and like a very lamb, spoiled my new slippers going out to see the arrival—the welcome little stranger. Two leaves! positively two! but "Great oaks, &c., you know. (How pleasing is the effect of 'moral copy-books' in after-life!)"

The adage aided my philosophy to wait for summer. Ah, that long and lovely summer! Dewy mornings radiant with bloom and odor; tranquil noons when the hot air quivered in the sun, and the cool white lilies drooped in unfeigned languor; evenings flushed at sunset with rose, red and gold, or dark with lurid clouds whose pearly tops rose, rounded and opalescent, against the blue depth of heaven. Yet, morning, noon and night did one adorer wait upon the mandarin, chronicle its growth, trickle a little water upon its root, cover and uncover it, mulch and demulch it. (Excuse the word, I was obliged to make it.) And it came to pass that it grew; but woe to profane visitors, attracted by the spice scent of its carnation neighbors.

"W.—Take care of your flounces!—you hit the Dioscorea Batatas!"

"My dear Miss Jones—do step this way—you are directly over a very remarkable plant, the Dioscorea Batatas."—(Miss Jones jumped half a rod.)

"Goodness gracious—I'm sure—oh dear—is it poison?"

So it went on till autumn, and then, feeling much as my dear brother-in-law Peter does about Mr. B., whom I can't help liking and praising, I resolutely refused to ask about the vegetable, and I knew not where it went to. I went to Fraternia for the winter, and when I came up, in June, I was immediately re-introduced to the Dioscorea Batatas, which came up in May—the real Monsieur Tenson. But that summer was nothing to me but care and anxiety. I do not know what was born in the garden, or what tropic airs blew upon the reviving north land, I even forgot the Great Yam—yet who escapes his fate, even if he forget it?

Not many weeks since, Monsieur approached me with a plate, a fork, and an air of deep apprehension.

"W., I want you to taste this Dioscorea Batatas."

My teeth chattered—solemnly I advanced to the wonderful vegetable. It looked mysteriously white and stringy, (floury!)—I lifted a small mouthful to my lips—I shut them tight—I meditated—I opened them, and soberly deprived myself of enjoyment in that line. I am not like the "dear public." I could not swallow the Dioscorea Batatas! (esculent!) And since you like recipes in the Homestead, I append one:

TO MAKE A DIOSCOREA BATATAS.

Take a small Irish potato, wet and seedy; add to it one turnip, tolerably stringy and not too rank; splice them together lengthwise, with a morning glory vine on the top; cultivate strenuously for two years, puffing it in the agricultural papers; then dig up one root (large crops!) six inches long, and three round (immense size!); boil and eat—if you can.

Cut Off.

James Inkstone has been cut off from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints for unchristian-like conduct.

ALLEN TAYLOR, Bishop.

Kaysville, Davis co., Feb. 1857.

20th Quorum.

The members of the 20th Quorum are required to send in their reports forthwith, with their genealogies, standing, &c., with their Bishop's certificate attached thereto. By order of the senior President.

WILLIAM CARTER.

Direct to S. B. Dallas, 17th Ward, G. S. L. City.

24th Quorum of Seventies.

The members of this Quorum resident in this Territory are hereby informed that a general meeting of said Quorum will be held in the 14th Ward School House on Saturday evening, April 4, at 6 precisely.

We wish Pres. Allen of Provo and Pres. Whitte of Grantsville, and all the brethren belonging to the Quorum who will be in attendance at the General Conference to remember this meeting and govern their movements accordingly; actions speak louder than words. Do our brethren consider their connection with us worth anything?—If not, we wish to dissolve partnership.

DANIEL WOOD, Sen. President.

JOHN O. MATHER, Clerk.

Restored.

John Blair and Elijah Clifford have been restored to full fellowship and standing in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

ALLEN TAYLOR, Bishop.

Kaysville, Davis co., March 5, 1857.

Notice.

The 33rd Quorum of Seventies meets every Saturday evening, at Solomon Angell's, 8th Ward, G. S. L. City. The members are requested to meet or report themselves as soon as possible, as they will be dropped from the Quorum.

By order of Solomon Angell, senior President.

SAMUEL HERER, Clerk.

G. S. L. City, March 13, 1857.

Sixteenth Quorum.

Of Seventies will meet in the lower room of the Council House, in Great Salt Lake City, each alternate Saturday evening at 1-2 past 6 p.m., commencing on Saturday the 31 January next. All the Council and members of the Quorum that live in or near the City will be expected to attend. And all who cannot attend will please report themselves by letter.

By order of the Council of said Quorum.

AN ORDINANCE

In relation to Setting Posts for the securing of Animals.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of Great Salt Lake City, That all Persons owning or occupying buildings within the limits of said City, are hereby required to set one or more Posts in the street, twenty-five feet from the front line of their lots. Where the water ditches interfere a variation may be made, sufficient to clear such ditch. Said Posts must be set in a good substantial manner, suitable for tying horses or other animals.

Sec. 2. Any person refusing or neglecting to comply with the foregoing section of this ordinance, the Corporation shall have the right to set said Posts at the expense of the owners or occupants.

Sec. 3. This ordinance to be in force from and after its publication.

Passed March 6, 1857.

A. O. SMOOT, Mayor.

ROBERT CAMPBELL,

City Recorder.

AN ACT

Granting unto Rufus C. Allen, Lorenzo W. Roundy, Amos Thornton and Richard Robinson a herd-ground in Iron and Washington Counties, Utah Territory.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Governor and Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Utah, That all that portion of country lying in Iron and Washington counties, Utah Territory, and bounded by a line commencing at a point one mile due east of the mouth of Pinta Creek canyon, and running south-west ten miles; thence north ten miles; thence east ten miles; thence south to the place of beginning, be, and the same is hereby granted unto Rufus C. Allen, Lorenzo W. Roundy, Amos Thornton and Richard Robinson, and those whom they may associate with them for a herd-ground and other purposes.

Sec. 2. The said Rufus C. Allen, Lorenzo W. Roundy, Amos Thornton, Richard Robinson and their associates, shall have the exclusive use and control of said grant, with the waters of said canyon, for herding and other purposes, during the pleasure of the Legislative Assembly: Provided, they shall not prevent the public from passing through said grant, or grazing their teams thereon, or using the necessary fuel while doing so.

Approved January 14, 1857.

I certify that the above is a true copy of the original on file in my office.

W. H. HOOPER,

Secretary pro tem. appointed by the Governor.

AN ACT

Granting unto Lorenzo D. Young a herd-ground in Great Salt Lake County, Utah Territory.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Governor and Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Utah, That all that portion of land in Great Salt Lake county, bounded by a line commencing at the Big Spring at the West mountain; thence on the west side of the Territorial road, north eighty-two rods; west, two hundred and ninety-two rods to the south-east corner of Wm. G. Young's survey; thence north six hundred and eighty-nine and a half rods, to the south shore of Great Salt Lake; thence east eight hundred and ninety rods; thence south, one thousand six hundred and eighty rods, thence west, eight hundred and ninety rods, thence north seven hundred and fifty rods, to the south side of Wm. P. McIntyre's survey; thence north seventy rods, thence east two hundred and seventy-five rods; thence north, forty-eight rods, to the place of beginning, be, and the same is hereby granted unto Lorenzo D. Young for a herd-ground and other purposes.

Sec. 2. The said Lorenzo D. Young shall have the exclusive use and control of said grant, during the pleasure of the Legislative Assembly.

Approved January 14, 1857.

I certify that the above is a true copy of the original on file in my office.

W. H. HOOPER,

Secretary pro tem. appointed by the Governor.

AN ACT

Granting unto Seth M. Blair, John Brown, Preston Thomas, and Alonzo S. Blair a herd-ground in Rush valley.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Governor and Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Utah, That all that portion of country bounded on the north by the land granted by the Legislative Assembly to Brigham Young, Wilford Woodruff, Luke Johnson, James W. Cummings, Samuel Bannion, William A. Hickman, Jesse C. Little and Claudius V. Spencer; on the west by the mountains skirting Rush valley; on the south by a line running due east from the summit of said mountains, and crossing said valley south of the first creek; south of the south line of the aforesaid grant, to the mountains on the east; thence north along the base of said mountains to the south line of the aforesaid grant, be, and the same is hereby granted unto Seth M. Blair, John Brown, Preston Thomas, and Alonzo S. Blair for a herd-ground and other purposes.

Sec. 2. The said Seth M. Blair, John Brown, Preston Thomas, and Alonzo S. Blair, shall have the exclusive use of said grant, during the pleasure of the Legislative Assembly.

Approved January 14, 1857.

I certify that the above is a true copy of the original on file in my office.

W. H. HOOPER,

Secretary pro tem. appointed by the Governor.

AN ACT

To Encourage the Raising of Cotton, Indigo and Madder.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Governor and Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Utah, That the sum of four hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to be paid in awarding premiums as follows:—

Sec. 2. The person that shall raise the greatest quantity of good, merchantable cotton, from five acres of land, shall be entitled to a premium of one hundred dollars.

Sec. 3. The person who shall produce the greatest number of pounds of good, merchantable indigo from one fourth of an acre of land, shall be entitled to a premium of one hundred dollars.

Sec. 4. The person who shall produce the greatest number of pounds of good, merchantable madder, from one fourth of an acre of land, shall be entitled to a premium of one hundred dollars.

Sec. 5. All claims for the above premiums must be ac-

companied with sufficient evidence of the extent of land used, the quantity of seed planted, and that it was raised in the year 1857 within the limits of this Territory, and be accompanied by a written statement of the quantity of seed planted, kind of soil, how the soil is prepared, when planted, treatment while growing, when harvested and quality of article produced. Said evidence and statement must be filed with the Auditor of public accounts, on or before the first of December next.

Sec. 6. As soon after the first of December as practicable, the Auditor shall give each successful claimant an order on the treasury for the amount of premium due.

Approved January 6, 1857.

I certify that the above is a true copy of the original on file in my office.

W. H. HOOPER,

Secretary pro tem. appointed by the Governor.

MARRIED

In this city, March 8, by Bishop L. W. Hardy, Mr. JABEZ H. TAYLOR and Miss SOPHIA BUTCHER.

[Millennial Star please copy.]

In Big Cottonwood Ward, March 10, by Elder Milo Andrus, Mr. EVANS P. BRINTON and Miss HARRIET CHASE.

In Big Cottonwood Ward, March 11, by Bishop D. Brinton, Mr. JAMES ANDRUS and Miss LORA GIPSON.

At the same time and place, by the same, Mr. EDWIN R. MILES and Miss JANE WAKEFIELD.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Fence Poles for Trees!

CHARLES H. OLIPHANT wishes to exchange trees for poles. Bring on your poles and get some good fruit trees, which will delight the eye and gladden the hearts of those around you.

2-3

J. WALTERS, TAILOR,

BEGS to inform the Public that he has just commenced the TAILORING BUSINESS, in all its branches, at the House of JOHN S. DAVIS, close to the School-house of the 8th Ward.

Work done in the best style, and at moderate charges; and will take such pay as will suit customers.

2-1

ESTRAY PONY.

I HAVE in my possession a black PONEY, four or five years old, white face, and belly and feet and legs to his knees, branded T on the right shoulder, saddle marks on both sides of his back.

J. G. BROWN,

Pound-keeper, Drapersville.

ESTRAYED.

FROM the Range south west of Gaunt's Mill on the first of March, one yoke of cattle 7 years old, branded on horn, R. Meikle. one red the other mostly white with brindle spots. Bring them or give information to Jennings & Winder and be suitably rewarded.

2-2

JACOB HATCH,

A T Willow Springs, near the foot of the Big Mountain, says that he has had a black and white OX in his possession during the winter, about 6 years old. Admits of no brands. If any person has lost an OX of that description, he may be found by looking there for him.

2-1

Auction! Auction! Auction!

HARDY and GODDARD, Auctioneers, &c., are now prepared to receive Household Furniture, Merchandise, Cattle, Horses, Wagons, Harness, Grain, &c., to dispose of by Public Auction, at their Auction Mart, East Temple Street.

N.B. Those who are leaving will find this a good chance of converting their goods into Cash.

A Stove Wanted.

HENRY J. JARVIS will give a good price for a No. 3 Charter Oak Stove, in good condition.

It will be advisable for all parties indebted to me, who wish to avoid the disagreeables and COSTS, to settle up immediately; for even PATIENCE has its bound, and my time is limited.

2-6

HENRY J. JARVIS.

CATTLE WANTED.

CASH RATES—to amount of 30,000 dollars, for which staple Dry Goods, Groceries, &c., will be exchanged until sold out, or up to 1st of May next. JUDSON L. STODDARD will visit the northern and western, and JOHN KERR the Southern settlements, to make purchases for us.

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LIVINGSTON, KINKEAD & CO.

CHARLES H. BASSETT,

A T Levi Stewart's Store, is my authorized Agent to settle my Land Claims of 1852 and 1853.

CAPT. W. H. HOOPER

Is authorized to settle all other Land Claims. Please call, gents, and settle, and save yourselves and us trouble.

2-3m

S. M. BLAIR.

JENNINGS & WINDER

WANT HIDES, BARK and OIL, for which they will pay a liberal price. A large stock of BOOTS, SHOES, and LEATHER to be sold CHEAP.

JENNINGS & WINDER

N. B.—Some good Candle Tallow for sale, 30 cents per pound for CASH.

2-1

WANTED IMMEDIATELY!

THE SUBSCRIBER wishes all persons owing him to call and settle before the 10th of April, or they will find their accounts at the office of Esq. Hardy for collection. By attending to this you will oblige me, and save yourself cost.

J. B. KIMBALL.

P. S.—All persons owing me who think they have paid the same in PROMISES will please call and get their receipts.

2-3

J. B. K.

Take Notice.

THERE has been in my possession for the last year, a red OX, supposed to belong to the herd formerly kept by Richards, Cain & Co., in Juab county.

Said OX has a horn brand not plain, but something like "Seely," and three letters on the left hip which cannot be deciphered. The ox no doubt became stray through the Indian disturbances of 1856. The owner will prove property, pay herding, and drive off his ox, if he pleases.

B. F. JOHNSON.

Santaquin, March 3, 1857.

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Salt Lake Navigation!

CAPT. DAN JONES takes this method to announce to the public that he has a herd ground unsurpassed for feed and water. The exclusiveness of the ground and the care he will take of the stock enable him to promise that all animals entrusted to him will be accounted for, unavoidable accidents excepted.

TERMS as low as the lowest.

He will receive stock at all times at Black Rock, nor can those who have young stock or animals they do not need for immediate service, do better than to avail themselves of the present offer.

2-2m

PROVO.

THE undersigned have on hand, and intend permanently keeping up, a general assortment of Merchandise at Provo, now situated in the house of Harlow Redfield.

Their stock of goods embraces nearly every article usually brought to the country. They expect on a recruit of staple goods from the States this season. They are buying land warrants (or valid applications for the same), cattle and mules. Harlow Redfield will act as agent in the purchase of stock, and will travel twice a month between Lehi and Payson for that purpose.

Orders given on W. H. Hooper, of Salt Lake City, for merchandise, if preferred.

1-2m

H. S. ELDREDGE & CO.

Look here you that have Stock gone.

I HAVE in my possession the following

Estrays, namely:

One four years old Bull, red and white, white in the face, four white legs, and white belly, no marks or brands.

One pale red Heifer, two years old, lined back, and white under the belly, branded on the hip, both ears cropped.

One pale red, two years old, Steer, white in each flank, two white feet, bush of tail white, small white spot in his face, slit in each ear.

One red and white OX, six or seven years old, branded on left hip G A.

One dark red Heifer, two years old, no marks or brands.

One three years old, red, Heifer, no marks or brands.

One brindle and white, two years old, Heifer, no marks or brands.

One brindle Cow, branded on the left thigh L J.

One black speckled Heifer, square crop off right ear, two years old.

One light brindle, two years old, Heifer, no marks or brands.

One bay Mare, trim built, four or five years old, no brands visible.

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JOHN THOMPSON,

Poundkeeper, Ogden City.

THE DESERET NEWS.

WEEKLY:

PRINTED ON WEDNESDAY: DELIVERED ON THURSDAY.

TERMS—\$6 PER ANNUM.

OFFICE—P. O. BUILDING.

LIST OF AGENTS:

G. S. L. County.

A. O. Smoot	-	Kanyon Creek Ward.
Reuben Miller	-	Mill Creek do
Archibald Gardner	-	do
Milo Andrus	-	Big Cottonwood Ward.
Andrew Cahoon	-	South Cottonwood "
Joseph Hammond	-	do
Isaac Ferguson	-	do
Silas Richards	-	Union.
Guernsey Brown	-	Draper.
Samuel Bennion	-	West Jordan.
Daniel R. Allen	-	Jordan Mills.
McGee Harris	-	Fort Herriman.

Cedar County.

Allen Weeks	-	Cedar Valley.
D. Evans	-	Lehi City.
Leonard E. Harrington	-	Lake City.
T. J. McCullough	-	Lone City.
W. G. Sterrett	-	Pleasant Grove.
D. Carter	-	Provo.
A. Johnson	-	Springville.
J. L. Butler	-	Spanish Fork.
James Holman	-	Santa Quin.

Juab County.

T. B. Foote	-	Salt Creek.
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