

## Local and Other Matters

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, DEC. 6.

**Blanks Ready.**—The blank forms for reports of wards are now ready, and can be had at this office.

**December Term.**—The December term of the Third District Court will be opened on Monday next, at the Federal Court House.

**Call and Get Them.**—There are messages at the Western Union Telegraph office for R. Gough and J. D. Wood.

**Home-Made.**—Mr. Clementshaw, trunk manufacturer, Kimball block, is making a quantity of substantial Christmas toys, in the shape of baby trunks. Just the thing for teaching little girls to be tidy.

**Rapid Changes.**—The Ogden Junction tells of a couple in that city who first met on Sunday, were married on Monday and separated on Tuesday. That appears like doing business with dispatch.

**Provost Guard.**—A provost guard from Camp Douglas, paraded the streets last night. It was a precautionary measure, the "boys in blue" having received several months back pay. They generally need looking after at such times.

**Going On.**—Work on the New Tabernacle is still progressing. A large bill of lumber for it is on the way from Franklin, from which point it was shipped a day or two since. The Cache Valley lumber is a superior article.

**Send them In.**—County Superintendent of District Schools, T. B. Lewis, gives notice to dilatory district trustees that unless their reports for the present year are made by the 15th of the present month they will not receive any portion of the appropriation for school purposes. Read his notice.

**District Court.**—Wednesday, December 5th.

**The People, etc., vs. R. D. McDonald,** indictment for murder; old bond cancelled and new one substituted.

**Samuel Kahn vs. Lord Claud Hamilton;** trial before the Court.

**The Commercial.**—Ogden has a new hotel. It is called the "Commercial." It is newly fitted and furnished throughout, and a grand opening ball is to be given on the premises this evening, to which we acknowledge an invitation. Mr. P. A. McPhee is the proprietor, and he anticipates a large share of public patronage.

**"The Amateur."**—We have received No. 3 of the *Amateur*, a neat little bi-weekly, eight page paper, published by the Y. M. M. I. A. of Ogden. It is well spiced with a variety of matter, and generally the articles are well and closely written. Altogether the periodical is a credit to the association, and will doubtless be useful in prompting the cultivation of a literary taste among the young, besides being valuable for the information it imparts.

**Philharmonic.**—The lovers of good music can enjoy a rare treat to-night by attending the concert to be given at St. Mark's school rooms, by the Philharmonic Society. Yesterday we mentioned the first part of the programme. The second consists of "Il Barbiere di Siviglia," "Hunting Song," "One Thought of Thee," "Oh, Hush Thee My Baby" (double quartette) "Fearless," "Liberty duet from 'I Puritani,'" "I Know that My Redeemer Liveth," sextette from Lucia di Lammermoor, to conclude with the "Hallelujah Chorus," by the society.

**Keep them at Home.**—People living in the country settlements frequently allow their daughters to come to this city and hire out as helps. Parents who have the welfare of their children at heart should consider well before exposing them to the temptations and allurements to which they are likely to be subject away from the parental oversight. Not a few cases have come under our personal observation of girls who have been brought into the path of ruin by this means.

The time was when young women distant from the parental roof where as safe in this city as if under the immediate eyes of their guardians, but the influx of a floating population has made it otherwise now.

Our advice to people in the country is to keep their daughters at home.

**Returned Missionary.**—This afternoon we received a call from Elder Thomas E. Murphy, of Mill Creek, who arrived, to-day, from a mission to the Southern States. He left here in November, 1875, and has therefore been absent a little over two years. He labored in Georgia and Alabama during that time. He, with other elders organized a branch of the Church in Alabama, the members of which joined Elder Boyle's Arkansas company which emigrated to New Mexico and Arizona. They also organized a branch in Clayton County, Georgia.

Elder Murphy's health was poor a portion of the time, and he is still ailing. He enjoyed his mission greatly. He was accompanied home by S. M. McKinney and Delina F. Murphy, his nephew and niece, from Georgia.

While in Georgia Elder Murphy stopped a portion of the time at the house of his mother, who is a member of the Church, is eighty-five years old, and whose posterity numbers 164 persons, children, grand children and great-grand children.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, DEC. 8.

**Detained.**—Hon. Geo. Q. Cannon was in Chicago on Sunday, where he was detained one day on account of having missed the railroad connection at that point.

**Cold.**—The weather in Cache Valley of late has been very clear and cold, the mercury having been generally in the vicinity of zero. There has been but little snow thus far.

**District Court.**—The only case before the court to-day was that of Samuel Kahn vs. Lord Claud Hamilton. The trial was concluded, and the case taken under advisement.

**Mischief.**—Last night some malicious or mischievous person smashed a window in the house of Brother John H. Picknell, in the Third Ward, by throwing a couple of rocks through it.

**Police Court.**—Yesterday afternoon a young fellow named Hewlett made a disturbance and abused and resisted the officers when they arrested him. This morning he was fined, on two separate charges, \$10 and \$25.

**William McBride,** a discharged soldier, stole a pair of drawers from Mr. Reggell's clothing store. He was fined \$5.

**Married.**—Yesterday, at their own residence, in the 10th Ward, Mr. William Grimsdell and Miss Jane G. Buckle were united in wedlock, Judge Alex. C. Pyper performing the ceremony. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. William Grimsdell, an employee of this office. The bride is the daughter of Mr. John Buckle, of Buckle & Son, tailors of this City.

We wish the young couple a prosperous voyage over the ocean of life.

**A Commencement.**—The good people of Brighton Ward have commenced the erection of a new meeting house. The foundation has been laid and covered up for the winter, preparatory to erecting the body of the structure in the Spring. Bishop Schoenfeld supplies the site, deeding the ground to the people.

**Attempted Suicide.**—The following is a special to the News—

Provo, Dec. 7th.

Deseret News:

Robert Witt, aged 22, son of J. W. Witt, of Heber City, after taking his partner home from a dance, at that place, at 2:30 this morning, attempted suicide, by shooting himself in the left breast, supposed fatally.

**American Fork.**—We were pleased to meet with our old friend Bishop L. E. Harrington, to-day. We learn from him that the people of his diocese are engaged making a good wagon road in American Fork Cañon, for the purpose of carrying on the lumber and timber business.

A new addition to the meeting house in the town has been erected, 30 by 50 feet, the building being now large and commodious, the old house having been much too small to meet the wants of the people.

Educational matters are flourishing in that place. Four schools are in operation.

**Mischievous Boys.**—Last night a gentleman who was passing the city pottery, lower part of East Temple Street, caught a couple of boys throwing rocks through the windows of that building, smashing the glass and knocking over and breaking pieces of crockery that were in sight. He gave chase to the lads, caught one of them and delivered him to a policeman. He also obtained the name of the other.

This smashing of windows of unoccupied offices and dwellings by reckless boys is a common nuisance, and when they are caught such doings they should be captured, as that one was last night, that a few examples may serve to check this species of mischief.

**Philharmonic.**—The concert given by the Philharmonic Society, at St. Mark's School-room, last evening, was an artistic success. The audience manifested their pleasure by frequent applause, the only regret of the evening being caused by the unavoidable absence of Mrs. Hamilton, which was quite a disappointment.

Buck's Forty-Sixth Psalm constituted "part first" of the programme, and was rendered in a very efficient manner, particularly the choruses, "The Lord of Hosts is with Us," and the martett, "Be Still, Then."

Part Second was miscellaneous, and the various songs, duets and sextette gave ample opportunity to Mrs. Seigel, Miss Shearman and Messrs. Black, Schnell, Hollister, Young and Carlisle for a display of their vocal powers. Mrs. Seigel was specially fine. The instrumental selections by Messrs. Careless, Pratt and Kennicott were characteristic of their well known ability. The Society should feel encouraged by the success attained at their first concert.

**A Pleasant Surprise.**—Yesterday evening Brother George H. Taylor, superintendent of the Fourteenth Ward Sunday School, who has been connected with that institution about fifteen years, was notified that he was wanted at the Ladies' Relief Society Hall of the ward. On reaching there he found a large company assembled, composed of Sunday school teachers and scholars, pupils of the theological class and members of the ward generally. After singing, a poem, by Sister East, addressed to Brother Taylor, was read, after which one of the scholars, in behalf of the Sunday school, presented him with a handsome silver ice pitcher and bowl. The affair was a complete surprise to Brother George, and he was somewhat overwhelmed. He replied in a neat and feeling speech, in which he modestly stated that the success of the Sunday school was not altogether owing to his efforts, but also to those of his co-workers in the same cause.

Brief and happy speeches were made by President John Taylor and Elder Wilford Woodruff, when an excellent supper, which had been prepared and spread, was partaken of, the balance of the evening being spent in musical and other exercises of a sociable character.

**Shooting Scrape.**—Last evening Archibald Anderson, who resides near Wanship, Summit County, arrived in this city to receive surgical attendance. He had three buckshot in his body, one in the lower part of the jaw, near the neck, another in the right arm, and the third in the left wrist. They were shot into him on Wednesday afternoon, as he was on his way home from Wanship, by one of two brothers named Frazier, who waylaid him. After being shot he drew his pistol, and he and one of the Fraziers, not the one who did the first shooting, fired at each other, without doing further injury. Mr. Anderson then retreated to his home.

The difficulty arose from a dispute about a water ditch which ran through Mr. Anderson's land. The matter was taken into a justice's court by the Fraziers and the case was tried by a jury of six men, who decided that there was no cause of action, causing the complainants to feel even more bitterly against Mr. Anderson than previously.

It is expected that the Fraziers will be arrested for attempted murder. Dr. Benedict extracted two of the bullets from Mr. Anderson's body. The wounds are not necessarily dangerous. The most serious one is that located near the

neck, being in close proximity to an important blood vessel.

**Genealogical.**—B. F. Cummings, jr., is making preparations to go to the eastern States, for the purpose of obtaining the genealogies of such members of the Church as came from that part of the Union, or whose ancestors were natives of that region, who may wish to secure his services. While on his recent mission there he did considerable work in that line and acquainted himself with such facilities as will enable him to obtain family genealogies with a fair degree of completeness.

Latter-day Saints from the eastern States will doubtless appreciate this opportunity to employ a competent person to obtain their genealogies, as it is a most important part of the work required at their hands by the Author of the gospel to perform the ordinances of salvation for their dead.

In another column Brother Cummings' advertisement appears.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY, DEC. 8.

**Unusual Weather.**—One of the "Pioneers" who has lived constantly in this Territory since its first settlement, informs us that there has been more steady, keen, frost thus far this season than in the early part of any previous winter.

**The First Flowing Well.**—We believe that Mr. James Thomson, well sinker of the 6th Ward has the honor of obtaining, with his improved apparatus, the first flowing well in Utah. It is on the farm of Mr. Joseph Roberts, two miles north of Lehi City, Utah County. At a depth of fourteen feet brackish water was struck and at fifty a stream of excellent clear, fresh water was reached, which is now flowing over the top, in a jet of three inches, and is increasing.

It is stated that some time since some party offered a reward to the person who should obtain the first flowing well in this Territory. If this be so the individual offering the consideration should interview Mr. Thomson, who has accomplished the feat.

If we recollect aright a well was sunk somewhere in the vicinity of Grantsville, which flowed for some time, but subsequently subsided. The one near Lehi is likely to be permanent, as it flows at the most unfavorable season of the year. A large number of the people of Lehi have visited it, from curiosity. Mr. Roberts says he would rather have it than five hundred dollars.

**Redeeming the Waste Places.**—"Over Jordan" has been divided into three irrigating districts, for the purpose of redeeming the vast tract of country in that part. A short time since a company was organized in connection with what is known as the Utah and Salt Lake District, and on Thursday last in the West Jordan Meeting-house a mass caucus of the landowners interested was held, when the following ticket was chosen to be voted upon in the several precincts within the district on Saturday, December 15th:

Robert T. Burton, of Salt Lake City; William A. Bills and Samuel Howard, Upper Precinct; Samuel Bennion and W. Spencer, North Jordan; Archibald Gardner and Charles D. Haun, West Jordan, for directors; Jesse W. Fox, jr., for secretary, and George C. Lambert, for treasurer.

The amount agreed upon per acre to be assessed upon landowners was \$2.

On Monday, at 1 p.m., at the North Jordan Ward house a caucus will be held for the purpose of forming a ticket for election in the North Jordan district.

**A Lively Spat.**—The other day Messrs. Sheeks and Rawlins were attorneys for the plaintiff's in an irrigation water case, in the Second District Court, at Provo, and Messrs. James B. McKean and Charles P. Huey appeared in the same case for the defendants.

A gentleman informs us that while the trial was progressing, Mr. Ben Sheeks was closely cross-examining one of the defendants' witnesses, and was taking the props from under him with remarkable facility, causing Mr. McKean to feel that uncomfortable sensation, sometimes described as akin to that produced by sitting on needles and pins. Finally Mr. Sheeks was in the act of repeating a portion of the evidence given by the witness

in his examination in chief, when Mr. McKean's irrascibility got the better of his good sense and breeding; an old failing of his. He intimated that Mr. Sheeks was purposely prevaricating or misrepresenting facts. The ex-Chief Justice probably forgot for the moment that he was not on the bench and was not therefore in a position to insult legal gentlemen with as much safety as he used to. Mr. Sheeks walked up to him, assumed a warlike attitude and demanded a repetition of Mr. McKean's remark, that its full purport might be unmistakably understood, but the ex-Chief Justice suddenly wilted, and wanted to explain his insinuations away, notwithstanding that those who heard his remark understood it plainly as an insinuation, in a mild form, that Mr. Sheeks was lying.

Judge Emerson, in the absence of a Marshal, called the disputants to order, directing some scathing remarks specially to Mr. McKean, when the affair finally subsided.

**Sericulture.**—The Deseret Silk Association met at the Fireman's Hall yesterday, December 8th, Mrs. Zina D. Young presiding.

Mrs. Young said she was devotedly engaged in this work. The question was often asked, was there money in it? Her answer was, Yes, by opening the way whereby hundreds could find employment. It was for our own interest to take hold of this branch of industry. Our greatest drawback was the want of machinery to pre-are the silk for the home market, but there was some prospect of getting it soon. She had just returned from a visit to Farmington. While there she saw a lady knitting stockings of silk and wool.

Mr. Graves, of Provo, gave an interesting account of the progress of silk culture in the southern part of Utah. He reported that he had given to the sisters in the First Ward of Provo an acre of ground to raise mulberry trees on. There was not a place in Utah County but had raised some silk. American Fork had taken the lead in silk-raising.

Mrs. Barney said it was over two years since this association was organized. During that time we had been corresponding east and west for the benefit of this home industry. She had travelled all over this Territory preaching silk, trying to get the people to plant out trees, and felt satisfied with our progress so far. The society was a little crippled for means at present, owing to buying so many cocoons of a poor quality last year, which were a dead loss until we get machinery to work them. This Territory would be dotted all over with mulberry trees wherever they will grow, and we would keep on until we would make the industry a success.

Mr. George B. Wallace said he had been interested in this branch of business for a long time and there were no doubts in his mind as to it becoming a success. Our bench lands would be very valuable to plant out mulberry trees on. We ought to encourage all home industries, find employment for our children, keep them around us and we would be a happier and more blessed people. He was going to plant out some mulberry seed.

Mrs. Margaret P. Young said there was nothing to hinder us from wearing silk dresses made by our own hands if we would carry out the counsels that had been given us.

Mrs. Zina D. Young reported that Mrs. Cardon, of Logan, was prepared to give a limited number of young ladies lessons in the art of reeling silk, on very reasonable terms.

Meeting adjourned till the first Friday in January, at this place, at 2 p. m.

R. SIMPSON, Sec'y.

## DIED.

In the 21st Ward of this City, of pneumonia, December 8th, ANN ELIZA, wife of George W. Quinn, in the 38th year of her age.

Deceased was born at Philadelphia, Pa., and embraced the gospel in that city, in 1861, and was a faithful saint, loving wife, and affectionate mother.

Funeral services at 2 p.m. to-morrow (Sunday), at the Meeting-house of the 21st Ward. Friends of the family are invited.—[Com.]

At Sheepshed, Leicestershire, England, October 23rd, SARAH HALLAM, daughter of Sophia and William Hallam, aged 3 years.—*Millennial Star*—November 1st.