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TERMS—IN ADVANCE.

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY, APRIL 20.

The "Fourth" Celebration.—The Olympic Club are pushing forward their project of appropriately celebrating the nation's birthday—the ever-memorable 4th of July, and have appointed a special committee of five members to further work up the enterprise. Many leading citizens have been consulted on the matter, and it is said, nearly all approve of the idea of getting up a "big thing" on that day, and making Salt Lake a centre attraction to the surrounding settlements.

Railroad Fatality.—The Junction of last evening chronicles the death of Chas. Hopkins, an employe on the Union Pacific railroad, which event occurred last Saturday morning, at Echo Station. No one saw the accident, but from the position in which the body lay when discovered, it is supposed that the deceased was engaged in setting a brake on a box car, when, by some means losing his balance, he was precipitated from the car to the ground, breaking his neck, which caused instantaneous death. At the time of the accident the train on which the deceased was at work, was making a "flying switch," and the reasons given seem to be logical. He was picked up on one side of the track, life being extinct. His body was immediately taken back to Evanston, at which place he had resided for some time past, and an inquest was held; a verdict being brought in accordance with the evidence.

Another Veteran Gone.—Died in Burke's Garden, Tazewell Co., Virginia, April 2d, 1880, Col. Peter Litz. He was baptized into the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints by Jedediah M. Grant, on the 29th of March, 1840. Elder Grant preached the first Gospel sermon in the State of Virginia, in this dispensation, in front of Col. Litz's residence, and the next day baptized him and his wife. He was the first man that was baptized into the Church in that State; since that, hundreds from Tazewell Co. and vicinity have accepted the Gospel. He was ever bold and fearless in defending the cause of truth as taught by the Latter-day Saints, and his house was a home for our Elders. All of his children are members of the Church, and he has one son in Utah. He was highly respected by all who knew him. He said to the writer last year, when solicited to gather, "I am too old to go now, but I know 'Mormonism' is true, and I am like a soldier sleeping on his arms, waiting for marching orders." He was 78 years of age. His funeral sermon was preached by Elder Mathias F. Cowley, of the 14th Ward, who is now on a mission there. He was able to bear his testimony to many prejudiced minds on this occasion, who came through respect to the deceased. Peace to his ashes. C. M. HAUSER.

"Enquirer" Notes.—From the *Enquirer* of the 17th inst:

The people of Sanpete are resolved on breaking up the illegal liquor traffic that has been going on in that county. Those vendors who are unlicensed, and defiantly violate the ordinances of the municipalities, are getting into trouble. Most of those brought up, however, are prudent enough to pay their fines, go their way and sin no more, but there is one man named Dusterberg, who means to fight it out "if it takes him into the penitentiary."

On the 27th ult. quite a tragedy came pretty nearly being consummated in Fairfield. An elderly man named Young, who is one of the oldest citizens of the place, and

highly respected by his neighbors, went out a short distance from his home and, with a razor and a quarter inch chisel cut his throat, severing three arteries, and almost penetrating his wind pipe. The letter states that he "made two or three cuts with the razor, almost from ear to ear, slicing the flesh so that before he could sew it up, the doctor had to cut out the slices with scissors."

The cause of the old man's rash act is not known.

There are indications of a lively summer this year in American Fork Mining District. Already preparations are being made to commence active operations on the leading mines. The Silver Bell has 80 sacks of ore on the dump. The Pittsburg is still taking out ore, but there is some expectation of its passing into the possession of the owners of the Old Telegraph mine of Bingham. The tunnel in the Sunday mine is being worked. The Treasure is also being worked and indications are said to be unusually promising.

"Leader" Lines.—From the Logan *Leader* of the 16th inst.:

H. M. Phelps, the man whose leg was broken last week, while he was working at the gravel bank, is progressing well towards recovery. He will never regain the entire use of the injured limb.

Young Hall, who was so painfully wounded by the accidental discharge of a firearm at Wellsville, recently, is improving; and in all probability will soon be able to be out.

James Moore, the youth upon whose arm Dr. Groesbeck performed an operation sometime since, seems to be progressing favorably. Under careful treatment it is expected that a good result will be attained in his case.

Rock-laying was commenced on the walls of the Temple last Tuesday morning, but, owing to the storm which began about noon, the workmen were obliged to desist from their labors. It is expected that a larger force of masons will be here as soon as pleasant weather arrives.

A short time since a very enjoy, able wedding took place at Millville in this county. A young couple—the groom aged between 70 and 80 years, and the bride about 60, concluded that life without each other would be a blank; so, not waiting to gain the consent of their ancestors, they sped to the man having power to tie the matrimonial knot, and by him were pronounced one.

On Friday last a young man named William O. Palmer was painfully burned by powder. He was at the new canal working, when a spark from a lighted match, which he held in his hand, was blown by a gust of wind into a sack of powder. The result, of course, was instantaneous combustion, and by the flash young Palmer's face and one of his hands were painfully burned. Dr. Ormsby since that time has been treating him successfully and in all probability no permanently serious effects will follow.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY, APRIL 21.

Sailing of Missionaries.—Elder Samuel Roskelley and thirty-three missionaries sailed from New York, yesterday, 20th, all well.

Trains on the Extension.—The trains on the Utah Southern Extension are now running as far as Black Rock, a point about twenty-five miles south of Deseret. The work of laying the track to Frisco, is going forward energetically.

Last Offices.—The obsequies of Sister Darke, of the 9th Ward, were held in the ward meeting house at 11 a. m., yesterday. The large assembly of friends and relations was addressed by Elders Chas. W. Penrose, Jeter Clinton and Bishop S. A. Woolley, and a long cortege followed the remains to their final resting place. Sister Darke was aged 82, well esteemed and respected, was an early member of the Church and came from Birmingham, England. She was the mother of thirteen children, six of whom are now living and were all present at the funeral. One of her sons is our fellow townsman, Mr. Sidney W. Darke, of the Salt Lake Herald.

Funeral.—The funeral services

over the remains of Brother Henry C. Cushing, who died suddenly last Saturday night, were held in the 11th Ward Assembly Rooms yesterday afternoon, at two o'clock. There was a very large attendance, the building being filled, and many standing outside. The deceased had many friends and was highly respected. The congregation was addressed by Elders Charles W. Penrose, Robert F. Neslen and Joseph E. Taylor. The members of the Salt Lake Fire Brigade, to which the deceased had belonged, were also present, and headed by Chief Engineer Ottinger, followed the remains to the cemetery, as did a very large company of friends in carriages and on foot.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, APRIL 22.

Fat Cattle.—Mr. Samuel Holt, of Cache County, arrived this afternoon from that valley with 31 head of fine, fat cattle, which met a ready sale at the establishment of Mr. Charles Popper.

Rival Claims.—And now the *Enquirer* urges the right of Provo to the Territorial Insane Asylum, just as the *Junction* claims it for Ogden. To equalize the matter, let the asylum be erected somewhere in Salt Lake County.

More Snow.—Last night and this morning we had another taste of a backward spring in the descent of several inches of snow. In the afternoon the sun came out and converted it into slush, much to the delight of pedestrians and bicyclists.

Returning Missionaries.—Elder W. C. Staines telegraphs that the company of emigrants, with returning Elders Bunting, Blythe, Smith, Walsh, Rippen, Emery, Svendsen, Thomson, Coray, Greensides, Wilkes and Devey, who left Liverpool on the 10th inst., have arrived in New York, and will leave to-night for Utah. All well.

Fine Specimens.—C. W. Carter, Esq., the popular photographer, has just finished some excellent representations of the interior and exterior of the Salt Lake Assembly Hall. In the former, the pulpits, organ, gallery, auditorium and the beautiful ceiling with its historic panel painting and pendant chandeliers are nicely and clearly portrayed, while the outside views are perfect counterparts of the exterior of this handsome edifice. The pictures are of two kinds, card size and stereoscopic, and are truly first class gems of the art.

The Asylum Directors.—The board of directors of the Territorial Insane Asylum, returned last evening from their trip through Davis and Weber Counties, which they have been visiting since Tuesday, with a view to locating a site for the proposed asylum. The authorities of both counties extended every courtesy to the official party, and they visited various points in both places, some of which were quite promising. The tour of inspection is not yet completed, this county and that of Utah must also be visited before a site for the building is determined upon. To-day will be occupied in examining the most inviting localities in this vicinity, and to-morrow the commissioners will start for Provo on a similar errand.

"Enquirer" Notes.—Our city fathers are taking steps to bring the waters of Oak Springs, about three miles east, to the city, in pipes.

We learn that out of the 75 head of horned stock that the American Fork Co-operative Herd commenced business with about a year ago, only 15 remain, the large majority having perished through the severity of the winter.

The ladies and gentlemen of the Home Dramatic Company of Provo have decided on tendering to their treasurer, Mr. J. B. Keeler, a complimentary benefit previous to his departure to the Southern States, and have chosen Saturday evening next for the occasion. The programme will be one of strong attraction, consisting of a popular play and farce, and embracing the names of the leading members of the company.

The Utah and Pleasant Valley Railroad Company purpose starting on the 1st of May to lay track on the line from Springville to

Provo. The bottoms between these two points are too damp and soft to operate on just at present, but Supt. Goss is preparing for a good commencement and expects to have the line extended to Provo in about six weeks hence.

On Friday evening last the family and a few friends of President A. O. Smoot, gathered at his residence to give a surprise greeting to Sister Margaret T. Smoot, his estimable and venerable wife, in honor of her 71st birthday. "Ma" Smoot was, on the occasion the recipient of numerous congratulations and sincere good wishes for a prolonged and happy existence.

Band of Thieves Broken Up.—An item from the *Enquirer*, which we published last evening, announced the capture, by Sheriff Turner, of Utah County, of two thieves named William F. Young and Floyd Ayres. The same paper has this to say on the same subject:

"During the last term of the District Court, James Young, a brother of Wm. F. Young, was tried and convicted on a charge of stealing goods from Fairview Co-op. and is now in the penitentiary undergoing punishment. The peculiar circumstances of this case, as they were developed at the trial, created in the minds of the officers a suspicion that there was much more behind this case that had not yet come to light, and determined our wide-awake sheriff on sifting the affair to the bottom. During the past two months he has been quietly engaged in this work and has finally succeeded in unearthing the operations of a gang of the most expert burglars and thieves that have yet been discovered in this Territory. The arrest of Wm. F. Young and Floyd Ayres is the result of Sheriff Turner's indefatigable labors in behalf of the public welfare. These clever thieves, with James Young, have for two or three years past pursued their thieving operations without the slightest previous detection or suspicion being attached to them, and not only one store has been made the object of their pilfering, but several others. The Fairview Co-op. however has been made the principal victim. From what we can learn, one of the party, who is a blacksmith by trade, succeeded in securing the key of the door and after taking an impression of it, produced a duplicate with which he and his associates were enabled to enter at night and carry away goods, although a man was kept on guard during the night at the store. For a year or two, the goods were missing and the clerks were unable to discover how or in what way they were conveyed from the building. At length another man was added to the watch, relieving the first when he left at daybreak. Unconscious of there being any change made in the watch, the burglars entered once after the watchman had left, and were of course caught at their work of pilfering by the second man who was on guard.

Further investigations on the part of Sheriff Turner revealed the fact that these men were in the habit of stealing from wagons going through Sanpete, while the teamsters were camped over night. One notable instance was the stealing of two boxes of tobacco, a couple of years ago, from a wagon that was carrying merchandise to the Spring City Co-op., and which could never be traced until recently when the boxes (then empty) were found by Sheriff Turner on the premises of W. F. Young.

The sheriff has given the house of the above named criminals thorough search and discovered vast quantities of merchandise that had been carefully concealed after being stolen; some he found buried under the floors and others he found under the rafters.

The breaking up of this band of robbers is a matter of congratulation among good people everywhere, and reflects great credit on the sagacious efficiency of Sheriff Turner.

STRAYED

FROM THOMAS JENKINS' PASTURE, four miles south of the City, Saturday, April 12th, 1880, one medium sized black HORSE, branded O P on thigh, some hair rubbed off tail. The finder by returning him to Thos. Jenkins will be liberally rewarded, ds&w

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