

CORRESPONDENCE.

Meeting in Pine Valley — Sunday School Jubilee — The President — The Temple — Arizona Mission.

ST. GEORGE, Dec. 19, 1876.

Editor Deseret News:

Last Sunday Prest. E. Snow, Elder W. Woodruff and Elder B. Young, Jr., held a two days meeting in Pine Valley. The attendance on Saturday was rather slim, but on Sunday the attendance was good, quite a number from Pinto being present. The instructions imparted by the Elders were timely and edifying, and it is to be hoped that the benefit of the good teachings will be made manifest by an increase of unity.

Pine Valley is a beautiful, picturesque, lovely little valley. Timber tolerably plentiful. Water pure and sparkling, and a passable range for stock surrounding. Climate a little colder than Salt Lake, with the advantage of a mild climate inside of thirty miles. All these advantages lead me to suppose that it is possible to build up a fine little settlement of Saints there.

I learn that the superintendents and schools with their supervisors, intend holding a Sunday School Jubilee here sometime in January. The Sunday Schools of St. George are now in very good condition, and superintendents Cottam, Orton, Atkin and Pickett deserve credit for their labors, and ought to have the support and encouragement of the whole people, for there is no greater work than to train the young and tender mind. The future greatness of this kingdom depends upon the virtues of her sons and daughters; how many of us give these things the attention they deserve?

President Young's health has not been so good of late as might be wished, though he is steadily improving, and we hope to see him out again in a few days, attending to the multiplicity of cares that rest upon him.

The Temple will be soon completed, and portions of it are now ready for dedication. Those portions will be dedicated the beginning of the new year, or soon after, when work for Israel will be commenced within its sacred precincts. Grading the block still continues. Bro. Andrew Gibbons, from the Arizona mission, spoke to the people in the First Ward meeting this evening, giving an account of his mission. His report is very encouraging in regard to the Moquis and Navaho tribes of Indians. The gospel seems to be taking root in the hearts of those people. Thus the work of God is silently progressing among the Lamanites.

The weather here is fine and pleasant, no rain, no snow; all sunshine in this lovely winter climate. All is peaceable.

AMRAM.

Mortality — Shooting Affray — Fine Weather.

MONTPELIER, Idaho, December 17, 1876.

Editor Deseret News:

The destroyer has been at work in our little town to an alarming extent of late. In the short space of about two months we have borne off sixteen of our number to the graveyard, twelve of this number being children, who have fallen victims to the dreadful disease called diphtheria, or something of that nature. With the exception of a very few cases, it has baffled all the skill we have been able to thus far produce. It seems, if a cure is not effected before about the ninth day, that the croup sets in with it, when it is almost sure to prove fatal. This is the worst scourge that has ever visited our settlement. There have been more deaths in the last two months than the last four years preceding. It is thought by some that it is contagious, but it seems hard to determine whether it is or not.

On the 20th of last month, a shooting affray took place on the bench between this place and Preston, the participants being Hyrum M. Smith and D. C. Stewart, both of Preston, Idaho, of which you have probably been informed.

M. Dalrymple assisted Smith back home, and Stewart came down here and delivered himself up to the officers of the law. A court of examination was held here on the 22nd, before Justice Osborn, which resulted in the discharge of Stewart.

Smith has been in a very critical state ever since, but is recovering slowly at present. He has lost several teeth, and it is thought will lose the sight of one of his eyes.

We are having beautiful weather, no snow to speak of.

Respectfully,
DAVID OSBORN.

Our Country Contemporaries.

Ogden Junction, Dec. 21—

Mr. Peter McFarlane called on us to-day. We are glad to see that he is able to be out again, after his mishap. Last Monday night, while performing his duty as U. C. watchman, he discovered some tramps in a box car, near the U. C. freight house, smoking. He ordered them away, when three ruffians pounced upon him, felling him to the ground, and bruising and battering him severely. Unfortunately he had left his pistol home, which was an unusual omission on his part, so had no weapon except his cane with which to defend himself. He followed the dead beats until the blood blinded his left eye, when he had to desist, and the scoundrels got away. He has been confined to the house until to-day.

Last night two dogs made awful havoc among the Xmas turkeys and chickens. Visiting Mr. Peter McFarlane's enclosure, where he had some fine poultry fattening for the holidays, in which his gude wife took especial pride, three fat turkeys and eight fine Brahmas were worried and killed by the canine brutes. The dogs were identified, and their owners are known. The same dogs killed a hen and five chickens last night, and three turkeys previously, belonging to Mr. J. A. Wright. A few nights ago Dr. Anderson lost all his poultry, Mr. Joseph Clark lost fifteen chickens, and Mr. William Wiggins thirteen.

Beaver Enterprise, Dec. 19—

Get off my reservation. The military reservation has been extended by the War Department; it now measures six miles east and west by about three miles north and south.

The following missionaries left Beaver yesterday for the States and England: P. T. Farnsworth, J. H. Skinner and William Ashworth. Farnsworth will go to Indiana, Ashworth to England, and Skinner's destination we have not learned.

The Hong Kong Daily Press of November 4th says, "A vessel has lately sailed from the Clyde for Fort Desire [Patagonia], on the east coast of South America, with building materials and mechanics of various trades, for the purpose of commencing a Scotch colony there. Port Desire is situated in lat. 47 deg. 50 min., long. 65 deg. 54 min. west, is said to be of easy access for vessels of any size, having at all times of tide six fathoms at low water, and safe anchorage within six miles of the entrance."

Some of the States in this country are getting into the way of having two governors and two legislatures, and there is some cause to fear that this republic will soon have two presidents. Mexico has three just now—Lerdo, Diaz, and Iglesias. But the country is not well enough governed to brag about, notwithstanding. Parties from Mexico inform Galveston, Texas, papers that the republic was never in such a lawless condition as now. "There is no safety for persons or life or property beyond the Rio Grande. Might gives right, and the master to-day is the flying guerilla of to-morrow, and levies tribute upon every defenseless traveler."

DIED.

At his residence, in Springville City, Utah, December 5th, 1876, of lung and liver complaint, ISAAC NELSON, aged 66 years, 8 months and 21 days.

Brother Nelson died in full faith of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Himself and wife went from the State of Ohio, together with a number of other families of Saints, in 1837, to the State of Missouri; their eldest son being born on the way. He was present during much of the persecutions of the Saints in that State; was a staunch friend to the people, and especially to Bro. Joseph the Prophet; shared in many of the hardships; although he himself had not yet embraced the Gospel, he was driven from that State along with the Saints; found a resting place in Adams County, Illinois, for a short time; afterwards moved to Nauvoo, Hancock County, Illinois, and embraced the Gospel, and was one of the few who was in Nauvoo after most of the Saints had

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HATTIE McKERNAN, Plaintiff, against JOSEPH P. McKERNAN, Defendant.

The People of the Territory of Utah, To Joseph P. McKernan, defendant, Greeting.

YOU are hereby summoned to appear in an action brought against you by the above named Hattie McKernan, Plaintiff, in the Probate Court in and for the County of Salt Lake and Territory of Utah, and answer the complaint filed therein, within ten days (exclusive of the day of service) after the service on you of this summons— if served within this county, and if not within this county but within the Third Judicial District of the Territory of Utah within twenty days, otherwise within forty days, or judgment will be taken against you by default, according to the prayer of said complaint.

This action is brought to obtain a decree from this Court dissolving the bonds of matrimony existing between said plaintiff and you, and for such other and further relief as may be just and equitable, and cost of suit.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and seal of said Court, in Salt Lake City, this 9th day of December, A.D. 1876.

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