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LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, AUG. 14.

Exploring the North.—Brother Cyrus Stanford, who went north into Idaho some time ago for the purpose of selecting a suitable location for settlement, has returned, well pleased with the result of his prospecting tour. He found what he was looking for in the Wood River country, in Alturas County, to which he anticipates moving in due course of time.

Laboring in Texas.—We are in receipt of a letter from Elder Victor D. Cram, written at Fronpe, Texas, and dated August 7th. He had been laboring in that State, in company with Elder Alma Harding since the 24th of May. They were, at the date of writing, the only Elders in the State. Since the time of his reaching there eleven meetings had been held, two had been added to the Church, and other missionary labor accomplished. Brother Cram wrote cheerfully, and appears to be in possession of the spirit of his calling.

Illness of Bishop Burton.—The hosts of friends of Bishop Robert T. Burton will regret to learn that that respected gentleman is prostrated with a severe attack of illness. Last Friday he was taken suddenly with cholera morbus, but the severe symptoms were checked and he appeared to be getting along nicely until about midnight last night, when the complaint appeared to assume another form. From that hour until last heard from to-day he had suffered quite severely from pains in the lower limbs. We hope for his early recovery.

Sunday School Cause.—Brothers George Goodard, John Morgan and W. Willes had a very interesting trip through Weber Stake lately in the interest of the Sunday School cause. In various localities union meetings, in which several schools amalgamated, were held. The exercises on these occasions were rendered in a manner showing a highly satisfactory condition of the children, who manifested remarkable proficiency. The Presidency of the Stake, Bishops and Sunday School officers exhibited commendable energy and enterprise in rendering the meetings successful, instructive and pleasant, and the trip of the visitors agreeable.

A Rough Diamond.—This afternoon a man from Boise City, Idaho, called at our office to make inquiries about some residents of the city with whom he says he is acquainted. He proved to be an exemplification of the old saying that a man should not be judged by appearances. His garb was somewhat rough and not over comely, but a few minutes conversation showed him to be a man of considerable intelligence, and a number of rough sketches he drew from his pocket manifested the fact that he is the possessor of a good deal of artistic ability. The sketches represented various points of interest in Idaho that he had taken on the way, among them being Swan Lake, the town of Oxford and other places, all drawn with skill and showing excellent perspective.

Returned to Her Home.—It will be remembered by some of our readers that on the 19th of last May a lower limb of a young lady named Lizzie Tingey, daughter of Bishop Henry Tingey, of Brigham City, was amputated by Drs. Anderson and Pratt, in this city. The operation was necessitated from the unfortunate girl having been an invalid for several years from paralysis caused by sitting upon wet ground.

She remained in Salt Lake until recently, and had a quantity of dead bone removed from the remaining portion of the limb on the 7th inst. She has been removed to her home at Brigham City, having arrived there last Sunday, August 12th, in good spirits. The Bishop expresses his appreciation of the kindness of Brother William Buttle and family, where the patient stopped from the time of the first operation until her removal, and numbers of other people in the Sixth Ward of this city. He also speaks gratefully of the kindness of Conductor Z. Jacobs and others exhibited while the patient was in transit from this city to her home in the north.

That Insurance Matter.—The August number of the *Coast Review*, an insurance journal published in San Francisco, has an elaborate article on the alleged Midland Fire Insurance Company of this city. It publishes the incorporation and other papers of the concern in full, and denounces it in unqualified terms. Here is the opening paragraph:

"In the latter part of May last A. T. Wood, of 'wildcat' and underground insurance infamy, and David Jackson, of equal unsavory reputation, and John J. Smythe and Geo. C. Norris, confederates in the fraud, incorporated under the defective laws of Utah Territory an alleged insurance company, which they style the 'Midland Fire Insurance Company.' Of Messrs. Norris and Smythe we know nothing, but if Wood's and Jackson's scheme were not so transparently fraudulent, we should still be forced to write down the former as the accessories of the latter brace of scoundrels in the contemplated knavery. The disreputable character of Wood is a matter of common notoriety in Colorado, where Smythe and Norris reside. It is fair to presume, therefore, that the quartette are equally criminal in their intentions in organizing a capitalless company and soliciting and receiving business under false pretences."

After giving the documents in full of the company and a detailed denunciatory analysis of them, the article concludes as follows:

"We warn the people of Salt Lake City, that if they insure in the Midland they cannot reasonably expect to receive anything in the event of a fire, for the company is a gross swindle, and on the occasion of the first loss of any severity the enterprising projectors will take a train, mule or steam, for parts unknown. The press of Salt Lake City owe it to their patrons to 'show up' the fraud and its authors."

We believe that we are now done done with the subject, having performed what we considered a duty to the community in directing attention to the necessity of examining into the status of the company before concluding to insure in it.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY, AUG. 15.

Relief Society Secretaries.—We are requested to state that as the 5th of September is drawing near the Secretaries of Relief Societies should see that they send in their reports addressed to "Stake Secretary E. Howard at the *Exponent* office," Punctually by that time.

Totally Dry.—City Creek is totally dry. Not a drop of water is running in the channel this side of the water works. Old residents on the north side of the block on which this office is situated state that they are put to considerable inconvenience for want of a necessary supply for ordinary purposes.

Death from a Peculiar Cause.—Last Sunday, Timothy Olorenshaw, of the 21st Ward was chasing a rabbit, and while in the act of throwing a missile at it he severely sprained himself in some way. He instantly exclaimed that he had received an injury that would cause his death. Sure enough he expired the following day (Monday) evidently from the hurt he received as described above.

Reported Train Wreck.—A report came up from the south to-day to the effect that a dispatch reached Springville yesterday stating that a D. & R. G. freight train had been

wrecked about three miles from Thistle, near Pleasant Valley. The intelligence was accompanied by a request for a doctor to be sent along, indicating that somebody had been hurt. We are unable to say whether or not the statement was correct.

Y. L. M. I. A.—We are requested to announce that the meeting of the officers of the Y. L. M. I. A. will be held hereafter on the first Saturday in every month at 11 o'clock a.m., at the residence of Mrs. E. S. Taylor. The reason of the change is to give the country wards an opportunity of attending; that being the day and hour the brethren of the priesthood hold their meeting it will be convenient for the sisters to come in with them.

More Sneak Stealing.—The other day one of the employees of the Thirteenth Ward Co-operative store bought a new pistol, for which he paid fifteen dollars. He placed it in the pocket of his coat, which was hanging in the back room of the premises. In course of time a sneak thief entered the room, rifled the pockets of the coat and walked away with the pistol. The other boys passed a few jokes at the expense of the loser of the article, but one of the humorists was rather taken aback on taking his own coat down and finding that the thief had been paying his attentions to him also, having stolen his pocket-book containing papers, stamps, etc., but fortunately no money.

Robert Hall.—Over a year ago Robert Hall, with his family, reached Utah. Being a good machinist he readily obtained employment at the Utah Central machine shops. Not many months after entering the shops a particle of steel flew from the oblique chisel into his right eye. Having lost his left eye in his native land, this second misfortune made him totally blind. Repeated operations by local oculists have failed to restore his sight. Unaided, now, he gropes about a blind man. For a week past he has been engaged in peddling the excellent combination dipper, sieve, funnel, etc., etc., and other small articles. In this way he hopes to sustain his young, helpless, family. We are sure that no one will turn him from the door without giving him the encouragement he so much needs. The combination dipper should be in every house. It is an ingeniously constructed and useful article.

Brigham Young Academy.—This excellent institution will re-open on September 3rd, and we understand that communications from intending students making inquiries in relation to securing half-fare railroad permits, and lodgings are being received daily, by the Principal, at whose request we insert the following:

PROVO CITY, Utah,
August 14, 1883.

All desirous of attending this institution during the coming academic year, commencing September 3rd, are requested to send in their names at least one week beforehand, stating railroad station and date of starting, that students' fare can be arranged for them, if possible.

KARL G. MAESER.

There is being constructed another extension to the Academy building, to afford more accommodations, which the constantly increasing attendance makes indispensable. It consists of one room down stairs to give an additional recitation room for the academic department, and one room up stairs for the ladies' department exclusively. There are other improvements going on inside which will render the Intermediate and Preparatory Departments more comfortable and commodious.

Coming Home.—A private letter from Elder Joseph A. West, now laboring in the London Conference of the British Mission, to a friend in this city, states that he has been released to return home with the company which sails from Liverpool on the 29th of the present month. Elder West, though his health has been somewhat delicate in that trying climate, has been an exceedingly active missionary, and in the London Conference especially has made his efforts felt in the spiritual welfare of the Saints and

general progress of the work of the Lord in that extensive district. He had, at the time of writing, just returned from visiting Scotland and the Isle of Man, in the latter of which places, a short time since, he with three other Elders (one of them President John H. Smith), created considerable excitement among the bigoted and priest-ridden inhabitants of the island, by holding public meetings in their principal town of Douglas, from which locality "Mormon" Elders have more than once been driven by mobs in former years.

Elder West states that President Smith, who was then on the Continent making the tour of the Swiss, German and Scandinavian Missions, was expected back within a week or ten days. Elders Hyrum H. Evans, James Hardy and Geo. Fowler are also released to return with the August company. In the mean time the brethren are very busy with out door preaching.

The University Building.—It is probable that the University building, now in course of erection, will be in a sufficiently advanced condition to be used by the time the semester following the one about to open begins. It is hoped by that time to have the main building roofed in and otherwise nearly finished, which will be as far as the work will progress this year. When completed it will be a handsome building. The original design has been materially departed from, it having been remodeled by Mr. John H. Burton. Besides several material changes in the construction and ornamentation, one of quite a radical character has been introduced. It is in the form of an assembly or lecture hall in the roof, which utilizes a considerable amount of space that would have been otherwise practically unoccupied. This apartment will provide seating room for at least four hundred persons. The building is so far advanced now as to be ready for the joists of the second floor. Between floors the basement will have a height of 12 feet, the main floor 16 feet, and the second story one 15 feet, while in the assembly or lecture room the height between floor and ceiling will be 17 feet. Had it not been that Governor Murray is opposed to the interests of education, causing him to veto the bill passed by the Legislature appropriating means for the erection of the building, it would probably have been completed by this time. But for the liberality of larger minds than his, the structure would have been at a standstill.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, AUG. 15.

Business Failure.—B. F. Grant & Co., of Milford, Beaver County, have assigned to W. G. Taylor, for the benefit of their creditors. Preferred creditors about \$16,000; total liabilities about \$30,000; assets about \$35,000. The cause of the assignment is depression in business and failure to collect outstanding accounts.

A Small Fire.—We learn from C. B. H., that on Tuesday the corn, haystacks, and part of a stack of wheat, the property of Hyrum Wright, of Pleasant Grove, were totally destroyed by fire; loss about \$200; cause, matches, in the hands of small children. The neighbors, with a commendable feeling of good fellowship, will help Brother Wright replace his loss.

Weber and Morgan.—A trip through Weber and Morgan Counties shows a very satisfactory condition of affairs among the farmer residents of those vicinities. The small grain crops have mostly been cut and garnered, the yield being generally prolific. The second crop of lucern is ready for cutting. Corn, potatoes and other field vegetables are thriving. Everything betokens peace, plenty and contentment.

Failing.—We learn that Gen. C. C. Rich has failed considerably of late. Within the last week or two his speech has been lost entirely, being unable to articulate a word. His appetite, which had been remarkably good almost during the whole time of his protracted illness, has also greatly diminished of late. He re-

tains consciousness of his surroundings, however, and comprehends conversation that is going on in his presence.

Alleged Large Copper Deposit.—A Marysville correspondent sends the following:

"Considerable excitement has been created in this vicinity by the discovery of an immense body of copper ore situated in Sevier County and a short distance only from the river. It is over 100 feet in width, so far as uncovered, but its limits have not yet been reached. It gives assays from 15 to 45 per cent. and is known as the Gilles Copper mine. A new district has been formed and is known as the Henry District. A fine opportunity is now open to men of means to get hold of this property, as it will in all probability prove a boss bonanza."

Under False Colors.—This morning Brother A. W. Winberg showed us a pamphlet or rather periodical, published at Chicago, in the Danish language. It is headed "Scandinavian Star; organ for the Latter-day Saints." It is understood to be published by parties belonging to the Lutheran Church, and, whoever they be, are sailing under false colors. There is no such authorized organ of the Latter-day Saints except that published under the same title in Scandinavia, by the Elders of the Church. We do not know why such a subterfuge should be resorted to, except it is to injure the cause in which the Latter-day Saints are engaged in an underhanded and disreputable manner, of which religious professors and all honorable men should be ashamed.

Suspected Tramp.—Yesterday while Mr. David Emery and family of the Nineteenth Ward were enjoying themselves with the Black Rock excursion party, burglars had a good time getting into their house, rummaging for valuables and carrying off what they could get. The booty consisted of something over \$21 cash, a gold ring, silver chain and other articles. This morning the police made a raid on an encampment of tramps near the White Bridge, on the western border of the city. They were making themselves comfortable, cooking victuals and disposing of them, when the officers broke in, and marched them. Eight in number, to the city jail. Some of Mr. Emery's neighbor's identify two of them as parties who were prowling in the vicinity of his premises about the probable time when the burglary was perpetrated.

Something of Interest.—Brother James H. Hart, who came down from Bear Lake yesterday, left for New York this morning, to resume active operations at that port as emigration agent for the Church. He will stop a few days on the way for the purpose of obtaining a likeness of the late Oliver Cowdery, one of the three witnesses of the Book of Mormon who saw the angel of the Lord, handled the plates and heard the voice of God bearing witness to the authenticity of the record. The object of obtaining the portrait is to have a likeness of Oliver Cowdery engraved from it for the *Contributor*. The likenesses of the other two witnesses, David Whitmer and Martin Harris, are now in the hands of the engraver. It is the intention of the editor of the *Contributor* to insert all three portraits in that magazine, in connection with a highly interesting biographical and historical sketch, which all the Saints will want to read, as well as possess the portraits of the three men who were so conspicuously connected with the most prominent phases of the inauguration and establishment of the genuine Church of Christ, revealed anew in this age.

Brother Hart will reach New York by the 29th inst., on which date the next company of emigrants will sail from Liverpool.

Many bodily ills result from habitual constipation, and a fine constitution may be broken and ruined by simple neglect. There is no medicine equal to Ayer's Pills to correct the evil, and restore the organs to natural, healthy, and regular action.