

CORRESPONDENCE.



THE SUPERABUNDANT RECEPTION PREPARATIONS.

GREAT SALT LAKE CITY, }  
May 19, 1863. }

EDITOR NEWS:

DEAR SIR:—I am indebted to Elder John Taylor for the following information:  
Elder Taylor, having pressing business in Provo, did not continue in company with the Presidency around the west side of Utah Lake, but continued his course direct to Payson, where he found the inhabitants of that place prepared on an extensive scale for the reception of the Presidency and the entire company returning from the southern tour. It is needless to state they were much disappointed on receipt of the intelligence that they had taken the other route; and they were consequently under the necessity of massing all their local forces in the large hall, to demolish the smoking dainties which had been so amply prepared for the entertainment of the expected guests. Three tables were set the length of the hall, profusely spread with every luxury that good taste and skill in the art of cookery was enabled to organize out of the best and most savory products of the country. The tables were filled three times—upwards of ninety persons being seated each time. The hall was elegantly decorated with evergreens and flowers fresh from the mountains. Loads of the "perpetual snow" had also been taken from the mountain sides, that the thirst of the traveler might be slaked with grateful drafts of pure cold water.

The dinner service being removed, preparations were made to listen to a lecture from Elder Geo. A. Smith, who also returned on the east side of the Lake. Elder John Taylor, arriving at this juncture, spoke first to a large and attentive audience, and having pressing business withdrew and pursued his way. Elder Geo. A. Smith then succeeded him, and spoke fifty-three minutes to the people, relating the incidents of travel with the President's party—giving a brief description of the country and otherwise instructing them. The evening, I understand, was occupied in the enjoyment of a social dance, where good service was done in "tripping the light fantastic to."

Previous to Elder Taylor's arrival at Spanish Fork, he met an escort bearing a flag, anticipating the approach of the Presidency, and on nearing the settlement a band approached, accompanied by a large concourse of people. A cannon was fired. The streets were thronged with citizens, old and young, male and female. School children and companies of young ladies bore banners with various mottoes. On the banners borne by the young ladies was inscribed the motto, "Hope of Israel," and one of the mottoes on the children's flag was "Beds of Spanish Fork." Bishop A. E. Thurber advanced to Elder Taylor and expressed his disappointment at the non-arrival of the Presidency, and asked if the band should salute him, whereupon Elder Taylor replied, "No, they must not salute him, but to carry out their programme and he would receive it in the name of the Presidency." They then requested him to speak to them, which he did in the Theatre Hall, which was filled to overflowing. The people listened with great attention.

We are happy to learn that one part of the programme at Spanish Fork was the laying the corner stone for the foundation of a new meeting house. Success to Spanish Fork, and we expect to see it move ahead with greater celerity under the administration of Bishop Thurber, who has but recently been appointed.

At Springville Bishop Aaron Johnson had been notified the Presidency were not coming that way, so no demonstration was made.

At Provo they were in doubt whether the Presidency would return that way or not; but for fear they might be mistaken, they had made ample preparations to entertain the party at private residences. Bishop Wm. Miller is wide awake and stirring. Under his administration Provo will soon boast of a splendid meeting house, which is now about ready to be enclosed. Elder Taylor joined the President's party again at the point of the mountain, at O. P. Rockwell's.

Yours,  
L. O. LITTLEFIELD.

UTAH COUNTY ITEMS.

DEAR NEWS:

Quite cold and unpleasant to-day. Our farmers have about finished their planting, and have put in an unusual amount of sorghum.

Nothing of stirring interest, unless we note the issue of the first number of the "Farmer's Oracle," which is just out.

On Monday last we had quite a stirring time at Payson. It was previously understood that President Young's party would dine at that place on Monday noon, so the enterprising dwellers there hastened to build a bower in front and decorate their commodious hall with flowers and evergreens, and spread three rows of tables through the length of the hall. These were densely populated with dishes of every imaginable

size, shape, pattern and use, each containing something nice and appropriate for the use of a hungry man.

But all in time word came that the party would return to the city via Goshen and the west side of the lake—so word was given out—and at the proper moment some hundreds of both sexes, old and young, grave and gay, assembled to perform a duty neglected by the President and his party, viz: to eat the immense piles of food prepared, and as all human history attests

"That happiness for me, the hungry sinner,  
Since Eve ate apples, must depend on dinner."

So at work they went like a determined set engaged in a meritorious cause:

"Dine was the clang of plate, of knife and fork,  
That mercilessly fell like tomahawk to work."

And a general good time was the result, and a most genial state of feeling existed, especially after dinner. Among the guests was Elder Geo. A. Smith, who seemed to enjoy himself hugely, as any man of his proportions must do when well pleased. The hall was decorated with wreaths and garlands of evergreens trimmed with beautiful wild flowers of resplendent shades and various hues, and all the appointments were eminently creditable to entertain a Prince Royal.

After dinner the hall was very unceremoniously cleared of all incumbrance, seats replaced and the company formed an auditory, who attentively listened to "just 15 minutes" remarks by Elder John Taylor, who happened along and made a short call, and by special request a short speech.

This was followed by Elder Geo. A. Smith, whose remarks received the best of attention for nearly an hour, when the meeting closed. Seats again removed, music in place—and terpsichorean exercise was the order of the time, which was continued till far in the night.

We had the honor of an invitation and the pleasure of being present, and can say truthfully, we enjoyed ourself about as well as one of our size could be expected to do under most favorable circumstances.

Adois, }  
J. }  
SPRING LAKE VILLA, }  
May 21, 1863. }

THOSE HUMAN REMAINS.

On Thursday last, A. H. Raleigh, Esq., Justice of the Peace, went up to Camp Douglas to make some inquiries in relation to the dead bodies said to have been found near there, to which reference was made last week. He was courteously received and furnished with a statement of all the facts, so far as known. A sergeant was sent with him to the place, where the bones were found, for in truth there were no bodies, nothing but a few bones and some pieces of clothing, evidently that of a female. The remains were first discovered by a man named Gibbs, some distance up the creek, and about half a mile up the mountain, on the south side. They had been carefully gathered up and placed in the possession of Dr. Williamson, by whom they were delivered to Mr. Raleigh, and can be seen, should any desire, at the City Hall, where they have been deposited.

Mr. Raleigh informed us on his return that there were no signs of a child discovered, and that part of the report was wholly untrue. The woman, whoever she was, had died probably a year ago; as the bones what few there were, including the skull, were considerably bleached, and the pieces of clothing scattered about were very rotten. Who the unfortunate being was is still a mystery.

ANOTHER STAGE DRIVER KILLED.—On the 19th inst., the Western in-coming stage coach left Deep Creek, some time in the forenoon, with Major Egan and one or two other passengers and four soldiers, and had come about fourteen miles, when three shots were fired from some rocks by the road side, killing the driver, W. R. Simpson, instantly. The Major was on the seat by his side, and immediately seized the reins and prevented the horses from running away. Four more shots were fired in the course of a few seconds. The soldiers returned the fire; but as soon as the dead man could be got inside the stage, thinking discretion the better part of valor, Major Egan, who became the driver's successor, left the scene of action as quickly as possible. The attack was made by Indians.

EMIGRANTS.—Several companies of emigrants, for Nevada and California, have passed through the city, within the last few days, with large numbers of horses and mules. On Monday a company of seventeen men arrived from Ohio, on their way to Nevada by the northern route, led by Capt. Norris; they had six wagons, about thirty horses and a few mules. According to reports, those fleeing from the East to the West and North-West will be passing through by thousands in a few weeks.

PIONEER AND BATTALION FESTIVAL.

The Pioneers of 1847 and the officers and soldiers of the Mormon Battalion are hereby invited to attend a Festival, to be held in the New Theatre, in Great Salt Lake City, on Thursday the 16th day of July next, at two o'clock p.m.

The Festival will be celebrated by a Pic-Nic Ball, varied by songs, toasts, speeches, etc. As the New Theatre will afford ample accommodation for all the Pioneers and members of the Battalion with their ladies, none need deprive themselves of the privilege of participating.

It is particularly desired that all who intend to be present at the coming Festival, will, on or before the 4th of July, forward to us their names, with the number of ladies they intend to bring, as none will be admitted who fail to do so, unless specially invited.

One dollar and fifty cents per couple, and fifty cents for each additional lady, will be charged to meet expenses of music, lights, etc.

BRIGHAM YOUNG,  
HEBER C. KIMBALL,  
DANIEL H. WELLS.

DISTINGUISHED ARRIVALS.—Yesterday, per California Overland Stage, Messrs. Watt Sherman and Mr. Corning, son of Erastus Corning, of New York, arrived in this city.

Later in the day, per special coaches of the Eastern Overland Mail Line, Messrs. Ben Holladay, Proprietor of the Eastern Division of the Great Overland Mail and Stage Line; W. G. Fargo, of the Express firm of Wells, Fargo & Co.; B. P. Cheney, of Boston; and D. N. Barney.

THOSE PEAS.—Thanks to Mrs. Joseph Bull, the wife of a missionary, for those green peas placed upon our table yesterday, produced by her horticultural skill. We are inclined to believe, that there are not many among the wives of those absent on missions who have been more industrious and provident. Such persons are always blessed.

New Advertisements.

LOST.

ABOUT the last of April, between Cottonwood and Ash creek, Washington county, a new home-made BED-TICK. If the finder will forward the same to Wm. Morrison, Mount Pleasant, Sanpete co., or communicate as to its whereabouts, it would very much oblige the owner. 48-1

AMERICAN FOKK ESTRAY NOTICE.

ONE Large Red Roan OX, 6 years old; has several brands on, but not readable.  
One brown and white BULL, 6 or 7 years old; branded H E on the left hip, short tail.  
One red COW, slim made, 5 years old, no brand.  
One three-year old red STEER; no brand or mark.  
One four-year old red STEER, crop off both ears with stagish horns, and dewlap; branded but not readable.  
One black and white BULL, two years old, with line back, and a piece out of each ear.  
48-1 JOHN BOURNE, Poundkeeper.

GROCERIES, HARDWARE,

WAGONS, ETC., FOR SALE.

JUST ARRIVED FROM THE EAST, THE FOLLOWING GOODS:

CHICAGO WAGONS AND HARNESS,

OX BOWS,

BACON AND HAMS,

SHOVELS AND SPADES,

PITCHFORKS,

SCYTHES AND SNATHS,

COFFEE, SUGAR, TOBACCO & TEA,

SOAP AND CANDLES,

BRASS KETTLES,

POWDER AND LEAD,

HARDWARE,

STOVES,

OVENS AND LIDS,

NAILS, PEPPER, ETC.

All which will be sold at COST and FREIGHT, at Nixon's Old Stand.

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W. T. STANFORD,

Agent for Wm. J. Norris.

LOST,

ON Thursday 1st, FOUR SHEEP and One Lamb, branded 77 on the left side. It is supposed they have been run off by dogs. Whoever will deliver said sheep to me, or inform me of their whereabouts, will be rewarded for their trouble. 48-1 C. BINNEL, 7th Ward.

THAT WATCH.

THE Man that received Three WATCHES from me on the 11th inst., which I repaired for him, will please take notice and RETURN the WATCH No. 827, which I gave him in mistake.

H. RISER, Watchmaker,  
48-1 opposite Gilbert & Gerrish's Store, Main Street.

FARMINGTON CARDING MACHINE

IN OPERATION.—Having obtained New Cards, we are now prepared to accommodate those who may wish to bring their wool.

WM. H. WALKER.

SOUTH WEBER, DAVIS COUNTY.

I HAVE in my possession one red, three-year old STEER, marked with a hole in each ear and a slope in the right ear. The owner can prove property, pay charges, and take him away.

ROBERT WATTS.

FOUND DEAD.

ABOUT three weeks ago, on Little Cottonwood range, a Sorrel MARE, branded I M or I W on left shoulder. She had been dead about twelve hours when found. She had a living bay mare colt near her, about four days old. I took the colt to my farm. The owner can have it by establishing his claims thereto, and paying a reasonable charge.

I will pay liberally for the delivery to me of a two-year old red and white HEIFER, has a scar on the back, no brands; supposed to be in the region of the Cottonwoods. THOS. H. SMART, Union. 48-3

CROUCH'S CONSTITUTION HOUSE,  
EAST SIDE OF MAIN STREET.

THE GREAT CITY QUESTIONS!

WHERE SHALL WE DINE?

AT CROUCH'S RESTAURANT,

East side of Main Street. Board by the Meal, Day, or Week. Meals at all hours.

WHAT SHALL WE DRINK?

Crouch's Splendid Soda Water,  
and his Delicious CIDER!

Bo'h always ready; the latter to be had by the gallon or by the glass. ICE CREAMS also in season.

WHO WILL BAKE FOR US?

CROUCH, at his NEW BAKERY, East side of Main street, where New Bread and Crackers, Pies and Confectionary of all kinds, can be had fresh every day.

IN EXCHANGE FOR FLOUR,

Cash, or any reasonable kind of pay.

WHAT ABOUT GROCERIES?

The best Tea, Sugar, Tobacco, Cigars, Candy, Fruit and Stationery, with a variety of other articles, can be had at CROUCH'S CONSTITUTION HOUSE, East Side of Main Street, next door to Walker Bros. 48-6

THE OLD ROAD FOR EVER!

TO THE GRASSHOPPER GOLD MINES!

THE ONLY AUTHORIZED FERRY!  
THE STRAIGHT ROAD TO THE MINES IS OVER

EMPY & HUNSACKER'S FERRY.

Blair's would be straight; but, disliking mono'ony, it turns east a long way to get over a long range of mountains!

THE BEST ROAD TO THE MINES

is over Empy & Hunsacker's Ferry.

The new road would be hard and well trodden, but it lacks wagon tracks at present!

GENERAL CONNOR AND STAFF,

with the bulk of his command, going north this spring, crossed

EMPY AND HUNSUCKERS'.

The Morrisites and a few of the Infantry crossed at Blair's Ferry.

THE EXPRESS TO BANNOCK CITY

always travels over

EMPY & HUNSACKERS' FERRY.

Blair's route is too short! The Express, of course, prefers the longest!

"NO MOUNTAINS OR GRAVEL,"

but plenty of dust in your eyes, if you don't go by

EMPY & HUNSACKERS' FERRY.

THE OLD ROAD

is abundantly WELL WATERED.

Wood and Water plentiful.

SUPPLIES

can be got near the Ferry, and within twelve miles of it, at Brigham city. The new road is fifty miles from Brigham city, before you strike the ferry.

EVERYTHING INSURED

that crosses EMPY & HUNSACKERS' FERRY.

RATES OF FERRIDGE

low; Legal Tenders current.

TROOPS

have passed, do pass, and are expected still to pass through the summer over

48-1\* EMPY & HUNSACKERS' FERRY.