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Local and Other Matters.

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY, MAY 27.

Priesthood Meeting.

The regular monthly Priesthood meeting of the Stake will be held on Saturday, June 7th, 1879, at 11 a.m., in the 14th Ward Assembly Rooms.

Lost.—On Main Street, last evening, one half of a pair of ladies' eye glasses; a pebble within a gold rim. The finder will confer a favor on a lady by leaving the article at this office.

Second Company.—We learn by private telegram that the second company of this season's emigration left Liverpool on the S. S. Wyoming on Saturday, May 24th, numbering one hundred and seventy souls.

For Liverpool.—Elders A. Jensen, J. Goddard, D. C. Dunbar, C. L. French and other Elders, sailed from New York, to-day, to fill missions to Europe, to which they were called at the late annual conference. Elder Staines telegraphs that when they sailed they were "all well."

Spanish Translation.—A new circular has just been issued from this office, containing the Latter-day Saints' Articles of Faith, written by Elder Orson Pratt, and translated into Spanish by Elder L. M. Peterson. It will no doubt prove valuable in disseminating the principles of truth among the people of that nationality.

Mormon Battalion.—Judge Daniel Tyler, of Beaver, who has been attending to the matter of collecting the three months' extra pay for the services of the "Mormon" Battalion in the Mexican war, wishes the following to have publicity in the NEWS:

"I beg to call the attention of my numerous friends of the officers and soldiers of the Mormon Battalion to a recent issue of the DESERET NEWS, on the subject of collecting their three months' extra pay for service in the Mexican war. They will perceive that our delegate, Hon. George Q. Cannon, has made arrangements whereby they can collect their own claim and save attorney's fees. This is as it should be. Respectfully,
DANIEL TYLER.

Grasshoppers at Pleasant Grove.

—From Brother A. P. Madsen, who writes from Pleasant Grove under date of the 24th inst., we learn that the grasshoppers infest that locality to an extent almost hitherto unknown. He says:

"To give any estimate of how many there are would be impossible. I do not think there were any more in Egypt in the time of Moses than there are now on my place, for the ground is literally the color of grasshoppers. We have to shut our doors to keep them out of our houses. The well, the cellar, the water ditches, everything is filled with the pests; in fact I cannot tell what they will do, for there is nothing more for them to eat, indeed, they have dug down into the soil and eaten the potatoes before they reached the surface."

Our correspondent, however, says they are found in patches, so that some of the farmers will be able to raise a crop.

"Enquirer Notes."—Henry Hoyt, who was stabbed by Thos. Tidwell, a week ago, in Salt Creek Cañon, is slowly recovering.

The Utah Southern track is six miles beyond Nephi. By the 1st of June, it will probably be finished to the terminus—Chicken Creek. Thousands of ties are being floated down the Provo River.

Mr. George Dickerson, of American Fork, while driving down that cañon, last Tuesday, on a load of ties, had his leg broken just above the ankle by its being caught in the wheel of his wagon.

The season's drouth is said to be severe on the stock. Advices from the Utah County and Kane County Co-op. herds state that scores of sheep and cattle are dying daily.

On the evening of the 20th inst., a fire broke out in the dwelling house of Mr. Driggs, Pleasant Grove. It happened in one of the bedrooms. Part of the roof was burned off, and quite a quantity of bedding, wearing apparel, and numerous other articles were burned and spoiled. After the fire was discovered it was soon put out. The cause is not known, but it is supposed to have caught fire from some matches left on the candlestick.

Educational.—The regular meeting of the County Educational Association was held, as appointed, on Saturday afternoon, in the 19th Ward Schoolhouse, Prof. Lewis presiding. A few of Mr. Cummings' classes opened the exercises by recitations. The fourth reader class did credit to their teacher and themselves. A grammar class then recited, the teacher collecting the incorrect sentences they had gathered, placing them upon the board, where they were corrected, placed in diagram, described and parsed very nicely. A class just beginning composition was next interviewed, first reading essays and then constructing and transposing sentences.

Miss Annie Mackay then addressed the school, and was followed by Mr. J. H. Ward in a series of remarks on school rewards. The plan of giving rewards to deserving pupils he held was a good one, if carried out properly and judiciously. Every child should be rewarded according to its industry. He then explained his method of bestowing gifts, which was by the use of school currency, a certain amount of which was worth a prize from the teacher.

In the absence of Mr. Wood, Mrs. Ferguson delivered some interesting suggestions on music and drawing, advocating their introduction into the district schools. Every person with a natural voice could learn to sing, and vocal music should be taught in every school.

A motion was made and carried that Mrs. Ferguson's suggestions be accepted, and that the members of the Association avail themselves of the opportunity offered by the normal class the lady proposed opening on June 23rd, for the special instruction of teachers in the theory of music.

The report of the committee on drawing was accepted, and the committee discharged. The committee on music was also discharged.

Adjourned until the first Saturday in September, at the 13th Ward School-house.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY, MAY 28.

District Court.—The case of the Stewart Mining Company vs. Isaiah C. Harmer et al., still holds the attention of the court.

Diphtheria.—Brother Joseph Hatch, of Heber City, writes that John Duke, of that place, lost two children from diphtheria, on the 23d inst., and that another case is in the same family.

U. S. Internal Revenue.—We have received the following notice from the U. S. Collector's office. Let the wise read and reflect:

All persons liable to special tax (license), for the year beginning May 1, 1879, who do not pay the same before June 1, will become liable to half as much more tax, and also to fine and imprisonment.

Kerosene Explosion.—This morning a lamp exploded in the house of Mr. Kirkman, 10th Ward. His daughter, who had just lighted it,

screamed when it burst, and her father, who was in an adjoining room, rushed out and extinguished it by means of some blankets, before any serious harm was done. No one was hurt, and the only things destroyed were the two blankets used to smother the flames.

The "Amateur."—The last number of the second volume of the Amateur is at hand. It announces that the present number of the Amateur temporarily closes its publication. This enterprising little journal has done a noble work during its short career, and although we endorse the movement said to be under way for the establishment of a young people's territorial magazine, we regret that the Amateur feels compelled, in consequence, to retire from the field of action.

City Council.—Proceedings at the City Council on Tuesday evening, May 27th, Mayor Little presiding:

A petition was presented from F. J. P. Pascoe, which set forth that he was desirous of purchasing ten acres of land on Section 25, adjoining his quarry on the south, for a dumping ground, and asked that he be granted the privilege of purchasing the same at a reasonable figure. Received and referred to the committee on public grounds.

Frederick Heath and seven others, taxpayers and residents of the city, asked that for the purpose of economy in the use of water for irrigation in the Fifth Ward and vicinity, a set of gates be constructed and placed at such points as the watermaster may designate, the same to be under his management and control. Referred to the committee on irrigation.

Henry Moore and 22 others, residing or owning land in the neighborhood of the old alobie yard, petitioned for the grading of Sixth West, between Second and Third South Streets, representing that said street was now impassable by reason of the holes dug therein by the recent purchasers of adobie yard lots. The petition stated that the road formerly used was now a part of private property and had been fenced. Petition received and referred to the committee on streets and alleys.

Mark Croxall and nine others, residents of the Fourteenth Ward, petitioned for the extension of the water mains from the Valley House corner, to the Continental Hotel, and set forth as a reason that their prayer should be favorably considered, the great inconvenience to which property owners on that street were subjected in order to obtain water. The petitioners stated that there were but one or two wells on the block and that the people were forced to carry water from the trough used for watering horses, etc., to their residences, and in consideration of the city's owning considerable property on the block in question, the work should be done without delay, in the event of which they signified their willingness to pay the rates as prescribed by ordinance. Petition referred to the committee on water works.

A communication from the Sisters of Charity connected with the Hospital of the Holy Cross, in this city, was presented, asking assistance from the public treasury for the care and maintenance of the charity subjects brought to their hospital. The communication represented that during the past three years a large number of such patients had been taken to said hospital, where their wants had been provided for, and in some cases their funeral expenses paid, and that the burden of such expenses was too much for the hospital to bear; they, therefore, asked the city to co-operate in their charitable undertaking and assume a part of the burden. The communication was accompanied by a list, showing what the hospital had done during the past three years, including the number of charity patients from the city and the number whose funeral expenses had been paid. The communication was referred to the committee on ways and means.

James Townsend, the lessee of the Warm Springs Bath-house property, represented by verbal peti-

tion, that he was desirous of making some permanent improvements on the property, and asked that he be granted a lease at the present rates, for the term of six years, in order that he may be secured in the outlay. Referred to the committee on improvements.

Wm. Woolley and 18 others, residing adjacent to the canal in the southwestern portion of the city, by petition, asked, that owing to the scarcity of water, they be protected against a certain person whose intention they had learned it was to put a dam in the canal which would turn the water on the Seventh Ward pastures, and thus deprive petitioners of their water rights. Referred to the committee on irrigation.

The committee on streets and alleys, to whom was referred the matter of ascertaining what streets of the city were fenced by private individuals, reported that the street supervisor had furnished the required list of such individuals, and recommended that the matter of assessing and collecting from such occupants the rental for the use of the streets be placed in the hands of the street supervisor and city collector. The report was laid on the table and the committee discharged from further action in the premises.

The mayor reported that the judgment for \$40,000, in the case of C. Rhemke against certain officers of the city, for the destruction of liquor in 1870, and commonly known as the Englebrecht liquor case, had been compromised for \$8,000. The council allowed and appropriated the amount.

The superintendent of public works was authorized and instructed to arrange for the purchase of a pump of a larger capacity than the one now in use at the artesian well, so that the work of sinking the shaft may proceed without delay.

An appropriation of \$2,700 was made to pay interest on borrowed money.

Adjourned to Tuesday, June 3rd, 1879, at 7 o'clock p.m.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, MAY 29.

Our Ogden Agent.—Mr. Joseph Hall is the authorized agent for the DESERET NEWS at Ogden City. Orders given through him will receive prompt attention.

District Court.—Proceedings Thursday morning, May 29, 1879, Judge P. H. Emerson presiding: Mary L. Cutler et al., vs. Utah R. R. Co., trial by jury in progress.

West Jordan Items.—Mr. B. W. Driggs, of West Jordan, furnishes us with the following items:

The Old Telegraph Furnaces started up four stacks this morning. Steam power will be used until water wheels are procured to supply the place of the broken ones.

The dam across Rose Creek, so far, proves a success. The people turned out well, and the work accomplished in so short a time, under the management of Bishop A. Gardner and C. D. Haun was indeed commendable. The dry season is very hard upon sheep, quite a number having died in the numerous herds upon the range in this section.

The old bridge across the river at this place is to be supplanted by a new one; work has been commenced, and we indulge the hope of a good safe crossing, thanks to the county officials.

"Enquirer" Items.—Sarah Daily, an eight year old Payson girl, while attempting to climb upon a moving wagon, last Thursday, fell under the wheels and her left thigh was badly broken.

A young man named Burt, of Springville, while getting out ties in Spanish Fork Cañon, last Saturday morning, was accidentally struck by a tie on the ankle, which was broken.

Tuesday morning, Wm. Ivins, of American Fork, attempted suicide by swallowing strychnine, while in a fit of despondency. The dose was too strong, and he may recover.

Monday afternoon, a little four year old daughter of Christopher and Agnes Woolman, of Spanish

Fork, accidentally fell into a mill race, and was drowned.

Grasshoppers and drouth will probably destroy some of the crops at Spanish Fork, this season.

The co-operative institution of Spanish Fork held its half yearly election on the 10th inst., and declared a dividend of 14 per cent, exclusive of 5 per cent, held as a contingent fund. The institution has a capital stock of \$22,270.

The Wrong Pew.—Friends coming to this office to transact business, who pass by the broad, open doors of the business room, and go out of their course to get into the editor's sanctum, for the purpose of renewing their subscription, would save time and trouble by breaking themselves of the habit. On the other hand, individuals who bring the office items for publication, will find that the editors will treat them just as kindly as the book-keepers if they will only favor them with their patronage. We offer these hints, not on our own account, for of course we desire nothing more pleasant than to be interrupted in the midst of a train of thought, to tell a friend how much the office is giving for paper rags, and we dare say our colleagues in the business department are equally rejoiced, while balancing their ledgers, to be asked to take down the particulars of a runaway, but we offer them for the benefit of our friends, who put themselves to such needless trouble, when, by keeping their eyes open it could all be obviated. Bring news to the editor's office, and for matters of business, go in at the door labeled "Business Department."

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