

Correspondence.

DESERET, Millard Co., Utah,
May 18th, 1880.

Editors Deseret News:

We have good health and prosperity. The weather in general has been quite cold this spring; grass slow in starting, vegetation and small grain, etc., all seem to be late. However, it is pleasant weather now. Farmers just commencing to irrigate. We have mines of some kind situated some 35 miles west, which are said to be quite satisfactory to those who are working them.

Last Friday, the 14th, was held as a May holiday by our Sunday School, Jas. Hutchinson, Joshua Bennett and J. C. Webb acting committee; R. Canham, marshal, and Joseph Damron, chaplain. At about 10 o'clock a. m. the whole school formed in procession at the house of Bishop Joseph S. Black. "Our Own Sunday School" was sung by Elder J. Nield and his juvenile choir; then proceeded to the new house of Prest. E. Partridge, now in course of erection; singing on the march and also when we arrived at the building; from the scaffold of the same Bro. Partridge addressed the school, thanking them for the visit, etc., said he hardly felt to be settled in the place as yet, but would in the future try to take a part in all such celebrations. Proceeded to the meeting-house and spent two hours in listening to songs, recitations from teachers and scholars, and a cheering address from our worthy Bishop.

In the afternoon the juveniles went forth in the dance in a crowded house, and seemed to enjoy themselves very much; amongst other things, Miss Florence Warren was duly crowned as Queen of the May, by her young companions. In the evening a dance for the adults; all passed off well and peacefully, all concerned feeling that we had contributed to the pleasure of our children, and done no harm to any one.

Deseret is a big little town, covering an area of some twelve miles; nevertheless our meetings are uncommonly well attended. The ward teachers on their rounds to visit the Saints sometimes have to travel on horseback, still they seem to get around regularly. In fact, for the six months I have been here I have been visited oftener than I ever was in any other place in double the time.

Our day school is in better condition than ever in this place, and is now nearing its second quarter for present term; will then have vacation long enough to fix up the house and then go on again. The NEWS is always a welcome visitor. Yours respectfully,
J. NIELD.

UTAH STAKE CONFERENCE.

The regular Quarterly Conference of Utah Stake was held as per appointment in Provo City on the 29th and 30th of May, 1880, the usual good spirit prevailing. The speakers on the occasion were Apostle Wilford Woodruff, Presidents Geo. Teasdale, of Juab, L. J. Nuttall, of Kanab, D. John, of Utah, also Bishops E. F. Sheets, of Salt Lake City, and L. E. Harrington, of American Fork.

The house was filled to its utmost capacity, all the standing room being occupied, especially on the Sabbath, giving evidence of the need of the erection of a more commodious place of assembly for the people of our growing Stake on such occasions. The instructions were filled with the spirit of the gospel and were listened to with deep interest by the people, especial attention being called forth by the recital by Apostle Woodruff of his recent visit among the Indians in the south, which he interspersed with allusions to the principles of the gospel and the fulfillment of prophecy, in an interesting and highly instructive manner.

The usual business of the Stake was attended to, the general and local authorities of the Church being sustained by unanimous vote. The anthems and hymns sung by the choir gave evidence of careful preparation, and the organist, Prof. Daniels, and members of the choir are entitled to much credit in adding to the good spirit of the conference.

A. JONES, Clerk.

The heat in the East is still intense. The thermometer is bubbling away up in the nineties, and that is worse than the level hundred in the mountains. Several deaths have occurred from what is generally called "sunstroke."

"You must admit, doctor," said a witty lady to a doctor of divinity, with whom she was arguing the question of the "equality of the sexes," "you must admit that woman was created before man." "Well, really, madame," said the astonished divine, "I must ask you to prove your case." "That can be easily done, sir. Wasn't Eve the first maid?"

One of the lady teachers in a Reno public school, a few days since was laboring with an urchin on the science of simple division. This is what came of it: "Now, Johnny, if you had an orange which you wished to divide with your little sister, how much would you give her?" "A suck?"

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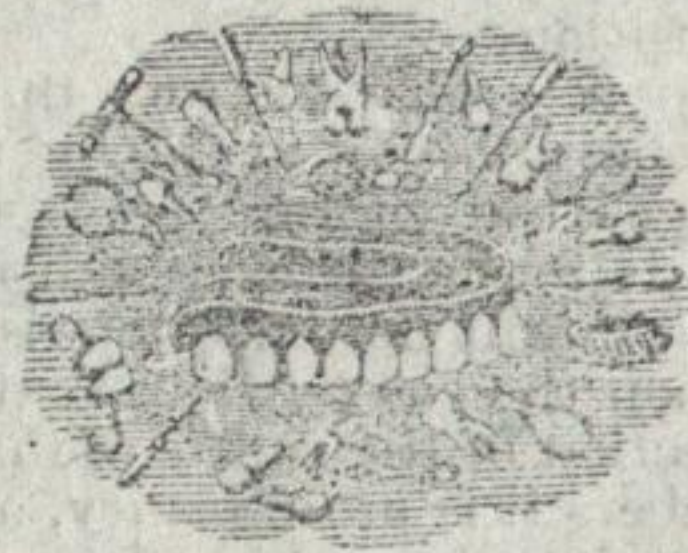
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