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Relief Finally Came Through the Efforts of Faithful Young "Mormon" Girl.

The recent death of Patriarch Benjain F. Johnson in Mesa, Ariz., recalls to the writer an episode of the persaeutions of the Latter-day Saints in Missouri in 1838, in which the deceased prominent actor; aiso, a lady beloved by all who knew her who has also passed to that bette:

Mr. Johnson, then a young man of 10 years, had been taken prisoner by the ruffian horde styled an army, comthe rufian horde styled an army, com-manded by Gen. Clark, and for eigat days kept under guard at a camp fire in weather intensely cold with no shel-ter from the piercing winds by day ou night; 'r oed except a few boughs be-tween his body and the snow, which was above a foot in depth; no cover-ing of any kind, and his only resource against freezing at night a constant replenishing of the camp fire, making sleep almost impossible. In addition to all this, he was denied any food, and was only kept from starvation by the tween the part of the camp fire, making sleep almost impossible. In addition to all this, he was denied any food, and was only kept from starvation by the the call the negre cook who stealthily. ing of any what, and this only resolved against freezing at night a constant replenishing of the camp fire, making sleep almost impossible. In addition to all this, he was denied any food, and was only kept from starvation by the of the negro cook, who stealthily him scraps left from meals when he could do so unobserved. The wretch who at Haun's Mill slew

an old revolutionary soldier was in the camp carrying the corn-cutter with which he had murdered the old man, and which was still dyed with his blood. Day after day he threatened Johnson's life with it, saying he would get more "Mormon" blood upon it when he got ready, and others of the mob frequently told him "We'll kill you tomorrow, sure, and in a way to make you yell right smart

WRETCH KILLED HIMSELF.

White sitting upon a log one day me to him with rifle in hand, You give up Mormonism right saying, "You give up Mormonism right now, or I'll shoot you." Receiving a de-cisive refusal he exclaimed with fearful oaths, "I'll send you to hell right now." took deliberate aim not 10 feet distant and pulled the trigger. No explosion occurred, and he cursed fearfully, say-ing he had used the gun 20 years and it had never before missed fire. He ex-amined the lock, put in fresh priming and again essayed to shoot Johnson, but without effect, and a third time with the same result. A bystander told him to fix up his gun a little, and then said he. "You can kill the curs all right." "Yes," said the would-be mur-derer, "I'll put in a fresh load." He did so and again essayed to kill John-son. This time the gun bursted and killed the wretch upon the spot, and a aving. killed the wretch upon the spot, and a by-stander was heard to suy, "You'd better not try to kill that man." And us, day after day, Johnson was con-nually threatened with death.

PRAYED FOR HIS RELEASE. But help was coming, and that by

clinaxes and gory moments in the per-formance at the Grand theater. The play is just a melodrama, conventional, and built to please the melodrama lov-ing public. The plot turns about the villainy of one John Carlton, who is married to the heroine, who also has a real lover true enough in the hero who real lover true enough, in the hero, who of course she fails to elope with, and marries in the regulation manner after the villain has been removed from the stage by the hand of death. The climax comes at the end of the third act when the hero, who is incidentally a telegraph operator and in adversity a switchman, saves a head on collision. The trains rush at each other in full view of the audience which can also see them brought to a stop. The real-ism is well done. "Her marriage Vow" will remain at the Grand until Wednesday evening with the usual midweek matinee.

Mr. Young as DeBaradas gave an in-telligent rendition .

The staging, scenery and costuming were in the highest degree excellent. Tonight another of Mr. James' strong-est roles, "Virginius," will form the bill.

"Her Marriage Vow" turns out to be

only the regulation one, and conse-quently is not the vehicle of sensational



BISHOP AND MRS. ROBERT T. BURTON. Who Last Night Celebrated Their Diamond Wedding at the Home of Mr. And Mrs. L. S. Hills.

After living happily together for a full 60 years, all but three of which have been spent in Salt Lake, Bishop Robert T, and Maria S. Burton had the privilege last night of meeting with four generations of their descendants in a celebration of their diamond wadding anniversary

wedding anniversary. The affair was arranged at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Hills at 126 south mirable as ever, and while we have had actors who brought out more fully the craftiness of the role, that is largely a matter of conception, and we have had none who invested it with more force and dignity. The support was strong throughout.

The support was strong throughout, Mr. Norman Hackett as De Mauprat was the leading figure. He is a young actor, and always plays with fire and intensity, even though his pronunciation does occasionally smack of the prov-inces. In special contrast with the enunciation of Mr. James was the ren-dition of such wards as firmer high dition of such words as "nuptials" which the younger actor gave very much as though it were spelled "nup-tuals. Mrs. James has greatly improved

quist offering: Richardson Bros., in an acrobatic act, and A. Jorgensen in a specialty. With soveral additions the as a reader and she played the part of Julie with force and care, but with hardly the necessary attention to facial same program will be repeated in the make-up. One of the best instances of acting vening

Friday evening the carnival will come to a close with a "queen's grand ball." was the Joseph of Mr. Stedman, who made the part a quiet piece of puncat which awards of prizes will be made tious humor, very telling. Miss Deagle was strong in the part of the page, and by Santa Claus.

QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

Attorney General Enlightens County **Officials on State Laws.**

Attorney General Breeden has written the following opinions on matters submitted to him by county officers: On assessment of sheep omitted from assessment roll;

torney, Heber City, Utah. Sir-In your favor of the 25th ult. you submit for my opinion the following proposition,

residing in Utah county, is not assessed in Utah county with any sheep at all, the sheep having grazed the

nal homestead still occupied by its first settlers. The first building or was erected by both Mr. and Mrs. Burton, and was a two-room adobe house. Later it was enlarged, and was finally demolished to make way for the pres-ent residence, which was built in the ater seventies.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Burton are hale and hearty, with the promise of many years yet before them. Mr. Burton is in his eighty-fifth year, while Mrs. Bur-tor is to be a clightleth. Theme of Mr, and Mrs, L. S. Hills at 126 south First West street, and any previous knowledge of it was kept from the ven-erable couple. They entered the house to find about 50 guests assembled, who escorted them to a bower built of flow-ers and ribbons while a wedding march was played. After receiving the cou-gratulations of all present, a wedding supper was served, and the evening was spent in social intercourse. Mr, and Mrs. Burton have lived in their present home at the corner of First South and Second West streets since 1849, and it is now the only origi-

> the cars are overcrowded and oftentimes the pupils cannot get on at all and hence are late to school. He suggests that a special transfer be provided for Hign school students which will be good on any of the cars running near the school, so that if the pupils can't get on one car because of its crowded condition they can take some other line and thus avoid being late. The committee decided to bring the matter to the attention of the president of the board, who is also one of the attorneys for the railway company.

> The committee authorized Clerk Judd to pay the salaries of the principals and teachers for the three weeks of this month up to and including Friday Dec. 22, so that they m money before Christmas. so that they may have their

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assion of a young girl, who visited every family in the "Mormon' settlement not many miles away and persuaded men and women to meet at the log schoolhouse and pray for his release. They did so, and that night, next day and the following night kept unceasingly in prayer. As one ceased praying another began, and then an-other and another. Some went home to breakfast, dinner or supper and reurned again to pray for the release of their brother.

At length this unceasing prayer was nswered. About midnight of the secanswered. ond night the general in command caused Johnson to be brought to his tent, and said to him: "Johnson, I have had all I could do to save your life until now, but I can't save you from death any longer. The men swear from death any longer. they will kill you tomorrow. Give up your Mormonism and I will adopt you as my son-I have none-I am wealthy and you shall inherit all I have, and your life will be saved."

WOULD DIE FIRST.

Johnson said his religion was more to him than life, and he would sooner die. Finding argument could not alter the young man's decision, the general said, "Well, all I can do is to turn you loose in the woods, and for you to escape if you can." He ordered a soldier to conduct Johnson to a deserted "Mormon' log house about half a mile from camp. leave him there and return, which he did, and the young man was free First what a first start of the source o free. But what a freedom-in snow two feet deep, no blanket, no arms to kill game or for self defense and no food except about two quarts of parched

And he must make his way many miles-for days-as he could not go to the "Mormon" village nearest at hand, as he would be sought for there, be retaken, and murdered. And so he plodded through the woods, half starved and frozen, having to wade sloughs and brooks filled with snow or issend no brooks filled with snow or ice, and no chance to dry his frozen garments and limbs. He finally reached a house, but could not remain, as he found his foes were hunting the whole country for him. But here he obtained an old quilt, two or three "poper" of corn bread a two or three "pones" of corn bread, a fint and steel to make a fire with, and with another man started on their weary journey that night to reach Fort keavenworth, about 200 miles distant. And this refuge, after days of fearful privation, they at last gained, being hospitably received and cared for.

THE MINISTERING ANGEL

And who was the Angel of Mercy in human form—a young girl in her teens— who gained his release and saved his life through the prayers of the Saints? was Sister Eliza R. Snow, his intlmate friend.

In closing this sketch I will say I bave read the foregoing in Father Johnson's Journal, and have also heard it from his own lips, and have thought it well for the rising generation, born and light in the same send comfort to and living in peace and comfort, to know something of what their fathers and mothers have had to endure for the Genelic acts and the source for the Gospel's sake

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Miss Clara Colbourne entertained at a delightful affair last night, the evening being devoted chiefly to readings by Mrs. Igleheart from "The Later English Poets." The rooms were effectively dec-orated, and a number of the Rowland

Hall girls assisted in serving. Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur T. Flagg en-tertained at the Kenyon last night in honor of Capt. and Mrs. Marix, bridge being the amusement, and about 40 guests being present.

Miss Sybella Clayton will entertain at an informal party tonight at her home.

Mrs. Warren E. Stimpson has re-turned from Denver, where she has been attending business college.

Mr. and Mrs. Iliam Gibby enter-tained at an enjoyable affair last night at their home on south Main street, the occasion being the seventleth an-niversary of Mr. Gibby's birthday. The party was chiefly a family one, the children and other relatives being pres-sent. Among the birthday gifts was a beautiful gold watch. lliam Gibby enter-

Miss Colbourne of Rowland hall left today for the east, where she will spend the Christmas nolldays.

Miss Elsa Green leaves today for Los angeles, where she will remain till aft-er the holidays.

Mrs. Charles Fifield entertained de-lightfully at bridge tea today.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Bowers entertained at supper last night in honor of the third anniversary of their wedding day. The evening was very pleasantly spent.

WARD ENTERTAINMENTS

Second Ward-Tonight in the Secon ward meetinghouse a Christmas car-nival will open to run for four nights.

nival will open to rea for four highs. It promises to eclayse anything ever before undertaken in the ward, and to be a red letter event in the history of similar affairs. For tonight and to-morrow night the opera "Penelope" will be given, with a cast made up of ward merabers. Among them are a number of worms neoule with mornising voices. merabers. Among them are a number of young people with promising volces, who should soon be heard from in more ambitious lines. Those taking part are Robert H. Siddoway, A. S. Campbell, Edward P. Midgley, Miss Lizzie Robin-son and Miss Minnie Gallacher, who has the title role. Following the opera there will be a big Christinas tree with a voting contest for queen. The same program will be repeated tomorrow evening, and on Thursday a vaudeville program will be given in the afternoon. Among the attractions are the Platt Brothers in a Hebrew spe-cialty; Blair Richardson in a ventrilo-

E DE whole year in Wasatch county. He had on the Uintah timber reserve last June over 10,000 head. "A" is a repres-He entative of a class. "B," a corporation with principal place of business at Salt Lake City, is assessed with 7,500 head of sheep. "B" grazed 75,000 head on the timber reserve, a portion of the season. "B" is assessed with no sheep in Salt Lake county Replying to the foregoing, you are advised that "A" and "B" sheep should be assessed by the assessor of Wasatch county, according to the provisions o

county, according to the provisions of section 2545 Revised Statutes, provided they grazed the entire year in that county. If, after the assessment has been made, and before the amount has been collected, the herd is driven into another county I think you would have to proceed under the provisions of sec-tion 9, chapter 105, Session Laws of 1901 On seizing and selling mortgages for

delinquent taxes, etc. F. I. Jones, Esq., County Treasurer

Monticello, Sir-You stated in your communica-tion of the 13th inst., that a person in your county is taxed on real estate mortgage; the real estate being situated in another county, and that said per-son has refused to pay the tax and is a delinquent and his property has been advertised for sale, etc. You now ask how to proceed to collect this tax. I beg to advise you that if this person has any personal property in your county, such property would be subject to seizure and sale under the provisions of sec-tions 2631-2 of the Revised Statutes of 1896, to pay this tax. If such person has no other personal property than the mortgage itself, then and in that case you, as county treasurer, would be au-thorized to take personal property than the

EE thorized to take possession of the mort-gage and offer it for sale in the same manner as you offer other personal pro-perty, but in case you cannot get pos-cession of the mortgage then you would be authorized to secure a conv at u 6 be authorized to secure a copy of it from the county records in the record-S er's office and offer that for sale and when sold make the proper entry in I am truly, M. A. BREEDEN. Attorney-General. such records.

CARS ARE CROWDED.

Principal Eaton Wants Special Transfer for High School Students. At the meeting of the committee on

teachers and school work of the board of education last night, a complaint was received from Principal Eaton of the High school against the poor car eervice afforded the High school stu-dents. His communication stated that G G

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