

Wellington, Kansas, 17.—Jim Talbot, who shot Meagher in the fight with the cowboys, was one of the leaders of the element that wanted to hang Danford without giving him an opportunity to settle, and was one of the leaders who took Danford from the sheriff at this point. Dave Speer belonged to the Speer family of Caldwell, who are engaged in a liquor and dance house business. Dave was arrested during last year and charged with shooting and killing Frank Hunt, marshal of Caldwell, through the window of a dance-house, but was discharged for lack of evidence and was hardly 20 years old. The latest accounts are that the cowboys are surrounded in the timber some twelve miles south of Caldwell. Rumors of an engagement in which three or four of the citizens and two of the cowboys were killed were rife, but nothing definite can be learned.

CHICAGO, 17.—The Indian superintendent has officially notified the people of St. Paul, Kodiack Island, off Alaska, that it is compelled to refuse to furnish them with the medicines which they have formally petitioned for, because of a lack of funds. Three hundred vaccine points have been forwarded to the agent at the Assinaboline Indian agency, where small-pox is alarmingly prevalent. The Tuttle Maund-harn Indians, in northern Wisconsin, are scourged with small-pox, and as these Indians are not under any agency, they are allowed to roam and care for themselves as best they can. The War Department has no funds available for their relief.

Inspector Hayworth has arrived in this city, and was at the Interior Department to-day. In an interview he says: In all his experience he never knew but one Indian who had been in Washington, to go on the war path. He thought the power of the government was so impressed on the Indians visiting the Capital, as to deter them from entering into war with the government.

The *Journal's* Springfield special says: Letters from Mrs. Abraham Lincoln, to her friends in this city, convey the sad news that the afflicted lady has completely lost the use of her eyes. She was unable to write, and her letters are written at her dictation by an attendant. She does not say what caused this new trouble, nor how serious it may be expected to prove. Mrs. Lincoln says her eyes are so weak that she cannot see, and nothing more is known of her condition. No trouble has ever been experienced heretofore by Mrs. Lincoln, with her eyes. She has been accustomed to sitting in a dark room which may have caused the weakness. No mention of her general health was made except she is very weak.

MEMPHIS, 17.—Peabody Hotel caught fire this morning, and sustained considerable damage.

KENOSHA, Wis., 17.—Kupfer's steam cracker factory burned. Loss \$20,000; insured.

DETROIT, 17.—At Harbor Spring, yesterday, August Alberts had been making shingles and left a pile of shavings in the house he occupied, and where he did his work; while himself and wife were temporarily absent from the house, two children aged 4 and 1, in some way set fire to the shavings, and were burned up together with the house.

WASHINGTON, 19.—The Criminal Court opened at 11 o'clock, and Guiteau was escorted to his seat by the officers, when the announcement was immediately made of the death of the wife of Jurymen Hobbs, and the court adjourned until Wednesday.

James Utley, who was represented to be a crank by a letter received on Friday, is a wealthy lawyer of Neil City, Neb. He, in company with Haggerty one of the editors of the *Neil City Recorder*, came to Washington to secure the reappointment of the latter as postmaster at that place. While Congressman Valentine had urged the claims of Matthews for postmaster and his commission had been made out it was withdrawn at the instance of Senators Saunders and Van Wyck. It is asserted that the letter charging Utley with being a crank and coming here to kill Guiteau and Scoville, was written for the purpose of damaging him politically and thereby to destroy his influence in behalf of Haggerty.

Consideration of that delegate case in the House has been postponed until January 10th.

The President nominated Thos. C. Acton assistant treasurer of the United States for New York. Thos. C. Acton, of Mass., Associate Jus-

tice of the Supreme Court of the United States. Wm. Henry Trevelyan, S. C., special envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to the Republics of Chili, Peru and Bolivia. Geo. M. Dunkin, attorney of the United States for the Southern District of Alabama.

Resolutions were introduced into the House to-day asking information concerning American citizens confined in British prisons, and in regard to the discontinuance of the star route service.

CHICAGO, 19.—Last Friday Mrs. Malvina Major and her infant child died within a few hours of each other. Her husband, Thomas Major, remarked, "I will be buried with them," and, although closely watched by his brother, escaped long enough to buy some poison, which he took on Saturday night and died in great agony yesterday. Mr. Major was a Frenchman who has resided 17 years in Chicago, was a carpenter by trade, and foreman in Hyde Park establishment.

LACROSSE, Wis., 19.—The Baptist church here was burned yesterday; loss, \$15,000; insurance, \$15,000. A fireman was seriously, perhaps fatally hurt.

CINCINNATI, 19.—At Greencastle, Indiana, Benjamin Lynch, whose wife obtained a divorce from him here last week, drove to his home-stead yesterday morning, 12 miles south of here, when he was shot and beaten to death by his two stepsons, named Young.

ST. PARIS, Ohio, 19.—A fire yesterday destroyed Kizer & Lewis' flouring mill, Brubaker & McMoran's grain warehouse and stable and the Pan-Handle Depot. Loss \$30,000.

LOMAINE, Ohio, 19.—A fire yesterday destroyed the Cleveland, Tuscarora Valley and Wheeling R. R. shops, with their contents including the machinery, tools, stock, one coach and three tenders; loss estimated at \$50,000 to \$75,000.

NEW YORK, 19.—The *Tribune's* Washington special says: It is reported that a conference took place this afternoon at the house of Cameron, (Pa.), at which Platt, Keifer, and Senator Cameron were present, and that this conference succeeded one between President Arthur and Platt in reference to committee appointments. No details of either conference could be obtained. Platt left for New York this evening, immediately after a second visit to the White House.

On the subject, "What are we to do with the 'Mormons,'" the *World* says: If it were clear that by making a national matter of the attempt to crush out polygamy we should succeed in crushing it out, it would still be the part of wise men well to weigh the cost against the profit of such an undertaking before entering upon it, and when this has been done, it will still remain to be ascertained whether by driving the "Mormons" out of Utah, we shall put an end to the polygamy of the "Mormons," which, as all recent travelers testify, has for some years past been dying out of itself, or give the institution a new lease of life in some other region, and under another flag.

CALDWELL, Ks., 18.—Reports came in late last night that Talbot and his party had been corralled in the breaks of Deer Creek, 12 miles south of here. It was ascertained that the cow boys had been closely pursued; that when they got to Deer Creek, they concealed themselves. The pursuing party only numbered eight men, but they surrounded the ruffians as well as they could and kept firing at them. About dark, W. E. Campbell, one of the prisoners, received a shot which struck him above the groin, glanced and went through his wrist. This distracted the attention of the citizens, and it seems that during that time the cowboys crawled out and escaped. At daylight this morning it was found that they were gone. By that time there were 50 men on the ground, all well armed. Detachments were sent out and the country scoured, but up to this evening no report has come in.

Steele was out early this morning and is still after the ruffians with about 15 men. Steele means business, and won't give up the chase until the villains are captured or there is no possibility of taking them. The cowboys are on foot and without hats, having lost them in house. One of them is known to be wounded. The streets have been full of people all day, and there seems to be a determination to clean out not only of the parties who instigated the row but those who took part with them. Caldwell will lose three of its citizens

by sudden emigration of them before to-morrow night. The coroner is now holding an inquest over Mike Meigher, which will probably last until to-morrow. Meigher's body will be taken to Wichita for burial. Meigher was marshal of that town during the worst part of the cattle trade, there he was brave to a fault and a man who never shirked duty. The inquest on Geo. Speers will probably commence to-morrow. Speers was one of the friends of G. Flat who was killed here last year, while Meigher was mayor of the city.

DENVER, 19.—The *Republican's* Marysville special says: R. E. Kippen, foreman of the Columbus Stamp Mill at Junction City, was, this afternoon fatally shot by the Buck Brothers. The deed was without provocation.

DENVER, 19.—The *Tribune's* Leadville special says: The Independence Mining Camp, twenty miles west of here, has for a long time been overrun with desperate characters, who kept it in a perpetual state of turmoil; often several of these would band together and virtually take possession of the camp, shooting men down in the street and closing stores, and blocking business for several hours. Shortly after dark last night, Patton and Malloy, two desperadoes, having the reputation of killing a number of men becoming intoxicated, started up street firing revolvers promiscuously. General indignation ensued, and the people turned out en masse and pursued the desperadoes, who were finally brought to bay and literally riddled with bullets. They returned the fire of the mob, but without effect. A little later a vigilance committee was formed for the purpose of hanging three or four of the worst black-legs, but that class nearly all took flight and left town immediately after the shooting of Patton and Malloy.

CHICAGO, 19.—The *Tribune's* Rochester, N.Y., special says: Bishop McQuaid made a savage attack on the cause of Irish nationalism yesterday in his sermon. He warned his congregation against supporting the "no rent" movement, saying it was not sanctified by the following of a few priests with loose consciences, and added: The Pope's hostility to secret organizations was well known and that lines were sharply and determinedly drawn between revolutionists of the land league and all good Catholics.

FOREIGN.

VIENNA, 17.—The official report on the Ring theatre disaster says: The chief engineer asked two policemen at the main entrance to the theatre whether there was anybody within, and received the reply that the whole audience had left safely. This statement was apparently confirmed by the fact that no persons were seen at the entrances of the building. The men of the fire brigade subsequently made their way to the galleries, but the air was suffocating, and it was impossible to penetrate the passages as the lights went out for want of oxygen, and the firemen were unable to breathe. The report expresses the conviction that the audience died speedily from suffocation.

ALGERS, 17.—The dams near Algiers on the Avan Railway, are bursted and the line flooded. Many lives are lost and several vessels have foundered.

LONDON, 17.—Herbert Gladstone, junior lord of the treasury, speaking at Manchester, last evening, said he found, during his tour, there was great exaggeration in England in regard to the condition of Ireland. The alarmists, he said, took their standard from the worst county. The arrests had produced a striking and remarkable effect in the districts where they were made. He blamed the landlords for not co-operating with the government in taking strong measures. He did not think more coercion was needed, and the talk of martial law was absurd. The alteration of the jury system would be worse than useless. The "no rent" movement was not deep rooted and was only kept up by intimidation. He believed the prospect was decidedly favorable.

The point generally remarked upon in Blaine's dispatch to Lowell, touching the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, is his assumption of the right to disregard the treaty obligations with respect to the neutrality of the canal. It is said, in view of this distrust, that Great Britain should be asked to repose implicit confidence in America's pledge not to impose discriminating duties on goods

transit. The *Times*, after advancing this objection, says: Blaine's case, however, is stronger in some ways than he ventures to make it, as the time must arrive when the weak Central American countries will be absorbed by the United States and the coast line will extend to the full limits that Blaine fancifully indicates.

MILLARD STAKE CONFERENCE.

The regular quarterly Conference of Millard Stake was held in Fillmore City, Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 26th and 27th, 1881.

Present: Of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, F. M. Lyman; the Presidency of the Stake; members of the High Council; Bishops and other representatives from the different wards in the Stake.

Saturday, 10 a.m.

After the usual devotional exercises, President I. N. Hinckley made a few opening remarks, expressed his pleasure for having one of the Twelve Apostles with us. Reported in regard to his labors amongst the people, etc.

Elder William Probert, Jr., was called, and spoke of the great difference between the wisdom of the world and the wisdom that comes by the Spirit of the Lord, and referred to the dream of Nebuchadnezzar and the writing on the wall interpreted by Daniel.

Elder Nephi Pratt spoke of the difference between the riches of this world which is perishable, and the riches of eternity which will last forever; the inconsistency of sectarian Christianity and the increase of infidelity. This work is not founded upon the dead letter, but upon communication from Heaven.

Apostle F. M. Lyman warned the Saints against worshipping idols chosen from among the corruptible things of the world, and pointed out how the love of money can become the root of much evil.

2 p.m.

All the wards in the Stake were reported in good condition as follows:

Fillmore Ward, by Bishop J. D. Smith, Culpis Ward, by Bishop Daniel Thompson; Meadow Ward, by Bishop H. B. Bennett; Oak Creek Ward, by Bishop Peter Anderson; Kanosh Ward, by Counselor George Crane; Deseret Ward, by Elder Nephi Pratt, and Holden Ward, by Counselor A. P. Harmon.

Elder Antony Paxton, who had just returned from a mission to the southern States, said there are many good people in that country yet, but a great deal of falsehood is heaped upon the Saints. Exhorted the young to diligence in preparing themselves for future usefulness.

Prest. E. Partridge spoke at some length on the principle of economy, and sought to impress upon the minds of the people the necessity of learning to live within their income and make the best use of time and things.

Sunday 10 a.m.

Prest. Jos. V. Robison addressed the congregation with much freedom upon several important subjects, especially the training of children and guarding them against evil influences.

Apostle F. M. Lyman said: Give us room that we may dwell! (the house was very crowded.) He then delivered a discourse replete with the best of instructions for the every day life of Saints. Said there are more failures than successes in life, even among the Latter-day Saints. Pointed out the varieties of failures and their causes. Many people make a failure in marriage. Every good and intelligent woman should have a husband superior to herself. He should be the leader because he is thus designed in mind and general organism. We are interested in one another's children, because when they grow up they will intermarry. Marriage is a lottery, but it should be so arranged that every one could get a prize; for this purpose parents should educate their children. Novels fill the mind with fancies and lead from things of reality. We should seek to gain true and eternal riches, such as we can take with us. This existence is the time and place. If we fail here it is a serious failure. Some parents who are weak in the faith will send their children to be taught by teachers that are not of us, who will take the children and plant them in the ranks of our enemies. Men should be well proven

before being allowed to enter into celestial marriage; they should be known to be men of faith, of wisdom and of justice; the failures of men and women in these things are far more detrimental to the principle of celestial marriage than all the powers from the outside.

Elder Nephi Pratt, who was going to move away, resigned his position as a member of the High Council.

1 p.m.

The sacrament was administered. After which the general authorities of the Church and the local authorities of this Stake were presented by President E. Partridge, and unanimously sustained by the votes of the conference.

The vacancies in the High Council, occasioned by the removal from the Stake of Nephi Pratt, Alexander Fortie, William Wade and F. A. Webb were filled by Henry J. McCullough, Thomas C. Callister, Wm. Beeston and C. P. Boreguard.

William Thompson was called to preside over the Elders' Quorum in the place of Thomas C. Callister.

Apostle F. M. Lyman then preached a sermon on politics and unity, showing in a clear and pointed manner how to manage political affairs.

Prest. I. N. Hinckley felt thankful for the good time we had had together and exhorted the Saints to diligence and faithfulness.

Conference adjourned for three months.

We had also a Priesthood meeting on Saturday evening at seven o'clock, which was addressed by Prest. I. N. Hinckley and Apostle F. M. Lyman, in an interesting and instructive manner.

C. ANDERSON,
Stake Clerk.

A PATRIARCH INDEED.

Brother Joel H. Johnson, of Johnson, Kane County, Utah, may truly be styled a Patriarch. He is one of the oldest members of the Church having been baptized June 1st, 1835, since when he has been a constant and zealous laborer in the latter-day work. He has shared in the persecutions of the Church, having been several times robbed of his earthly all and threatened with death. He came to Utah in 1848, and was one of the pioneers of Southern Utah planting orchards and vineyards wherever he settled. Although his 80th year, he is still hale and dusters, doing a good day's work every day.

He was present when the Prophet Joseph received the Word of Wisdom, since which time he has never used spirits, tea, coffee nor tobacco and to this, principally, he attributes his strength and vitality.

On the 1st of last June he celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his baptism into the Church, in family meeting, at which time descendants numbered 29 children, 119 grand-children, and 46 great-grand-children, none of whom had denied the faith.

He was intimate with the Prophet Joseph, from the days of Kirtland to his murder in Carthage Jail, and his memory is stored with many incidents and teachings of the Prophet who became related to him by marriage. He is also a poet of no mean having written many songs, hymns and poems, which will doubtless be published ere long. At this day when so few of the old veterans remain, it seems fitting to bring so of them to the notice of the Saints as examples of faith and integrity.

Thomas C. Acton, of New York, superintendent of the assay office, will be nominated on Monday as assistant treasurer at New York Hillhouse.

The Senate in executive session referred the nomination of Brewster as Attorney General to the judicial committee. Other nominations received were also referred.

Gen. Sherman has gone to Louisville to attend the funeral of late Gen. Turner. Gen. Sherman was at one time a partner of Tufts in the banking business in San Francisco.

The Senate committee of investigation into the contingent fund expenditures of the various departments, to-day examined Chief of Power, of the Treasury department. The interrogations are based upon and minutely refer to the money taken by the Moline commission.