

## Correspondence.

GREEN RIVER STATION, U. P. R. R.  
January 22nd.

*Editor Deseret News:*—Dear Sir:—Quite an interesting affair took place here last evening, and as a large number of your readers are personally interested in it, I give you the matter in full, as it occurred.

The workmen employed on bridge construction, on the Laramie and Utah Divisions, under the superintendence of Harry M. McCartney Esq., Assistant Division Engineer, desiring to show their appreciation of that gentleman, presented him with a magnificent gold watch and chain. The presentation took place at the house of Mr. S. J. Field, Green River, who had charge of the commissariat on the occasion.

At about 9 o'clock, Mr. Barnaby Lantry, foreman of masonry, Green River bridge, took the chair, and read the following address:

Harry M. McCartney, Esq.: On behalf of the men who have been working for the U. P. R. R., on bridge construction, under your superintendence, I have not only the honor, but the pleasure to present you with this token of respect for you as a man. In our western phraseology, the word man includes not only the gentleman, but also the ready hand and heart that helps a brother. The men who have been under your superintendence cordially unite in bearing testimony to your obliging and gentlemanly deportment, under some of the most trying circumstances it has been the lot of many engineers to encounter.

We have no other manner of showing our respect for you, than by this token, hoping that wherever you go you will find it a good and excellent memorial of how time flies, and also when you return to your comfortable home in the far East, it will be an assurance to you that you have left behind you here, men, who at any time, wherever you may meet them, east or west, will be ready to give you a warm welcome, and should you at any time require their aid, will always be ready at your call. Take this token, and may you long live to wear and enjoy this most beautiful gift."

Mr. McCarty, responded as follows: "Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen.—I have never made a speech, I shan't now; you know I am not given to talking, and you will receive my plain 'I thank you' as well as any more elaborate expressions of gratitude I might tender you. I do thank you sincerely. I am most happy to have the regards of the laboring men, as well as their respect. The gentleman who sang the last song wished for 'Aladdin's Lamp,' with which to brighten up the world. We don't need it; kind words, kind actions, regard for one another's feelings, and a helping hand for each 'worn and weary brother,' will do it all for us. The hard rubs we get will only serve to make them increase, as it did the products of the lamp. As a general thing I don't approve of presents; in this case I must admit, my prejudices have been greatly overcome, and I shall cherish this gift as a memento of the warm hearts, and kind friends I have found in this distant land. When I came here, I thought I was far enough from home to be out of observation—but it seems I can't help being 'watched' and that very thoroughly."

After this address the parties present sat down to partake of a supper prepared by Mr. Field. All the delicacies of the season were spread in abundance on the festive board, and whilst the company discussed the good things, Mrs. Field discoursed some elegant music, much to the delight of all present. After supper a number of toasts were proposed and drunk in sparkling California wine.

The proceedings were kept up until a late hour, when all dispersed, feeling satisfied that they had done a good action to a noble and generous hearted man. I sincerely wish that all who occupy high positions would be as attentive to the interests of the laboring man as H. M. McCartney, Esq.

I am very truly, etc.

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The following letter, handed to us for publication by President George A. Smith, will be perused with interest; it is from Sister M. E. Randall, now on a visit to her friends in the State of Virginia. Her missionary experience seems to be of a more felicitous character than that of many of the brethren in the East:

NEW HOPE, AUGUSTA COUNTY,  
VIRGINIA,

January 17th, 1870.

*Prest. George A. Smith:*—Dear Bro.—A few weeks since I wrote to you to send me several copies of the "Voice of Warning." There is, at the present time, much interest in "Mormonism" manifested by the people here. I have but few books, and they are loaned out all the time; the people can hardly wait on each other to read them, and the more they read the more they wish to read. If you will send those copies of the "Voice of Warning," some three or four copies of the "Book of Mormon," one or two copies of Eder Orson Pratt's Works, the "Pearl of Great Price," and any other works you may think proper to send, I shall be much obliged to you. Please send me a list of prices, and as soon as they are sold I will send you the proceeds.

I feel to rejoice greatly at the prospect before me; a good work is being begun here, and I hope will continue till all the honest in heart will learn the truth and obey it and be gathered out of Babylon. When I first arrived here I felt somewhat discouraged, the people were so ignorant of our religion and so much prejudiced against us that they did not want to hear anything about the "Mormons," considering us no better than heathen. I do not mean that every one was so, but the majority were. I have lost no time in speaking to my relatives and others of the principles of the everlasting gospel whenever an opportunity is presented. Now, wherever I go all are inquiring about us—what we believe in, what kind of society we have, our government, laws, etc. When I tell them that we believe in the Bible, they wonder at it, for they thought we rejected it. I could tell you much more, but do not wish to intrude upon your time. The object of my visit was to do good to my friends, and the Lord has blessed my labors abundantly. I am feeling first-rate and know that the Holy Spirit is with me all the time.

Remember me kindly to Bro. Brigham and Bro. Wells and to your family.

May the blessings of the Almighty be upon you continually.

Your sister in the New and Everlasting Covenant,

MILDRED E. RANDALL.

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 25.

*Editor Evening News:*—Dear Sir—I enjoyed a rich treat at the old Tabernacle on Monday night last in listening to the able lecture of Col. Conwell.

His pictures of the fall of Babylon, the offering of Isaac by Abraham on Mount Horeb and the passion, betrayal and crucifixion of our Savior, were as fine specimens of oratory as I have ever had the pleasure of listening to.

But there was one thing which annoyed me very much, and not me alone, but many of my brethren if I mistake not. I allude to the clapping of hands. This is a boisterous and unrefined way of showing approval at the best, but custom makes it allowable in some cases. But how very annoying to the lovers of oratory, to hear an audience begin to clap hands and stamp with the feet in the middle of some beautiful passage! This thing occurred two or three times during the lecture, and had not the speaker been perfect master of his subject, he would have been confused, and his fine effects entirely spoiled. The continued cheering at the close of the lecture, was, in my opinion, not only inappropriate but was downright rudeness.

Our people should learn that a lecture is not a theatrical performance, and the lecturer does not expect to be called before the curtain. A good hearty approval is proper, but too much of a good thing spoils all.

With the very best of feelings towards my brethren and sisters of this city, I can but hope they will give these suggestions some consideration and be benefitted by them.

JOS. W. YOUNG.

SALT LAKE CITY,  
January 28th, '70.

*Editor Deseret News:*—Dear Brother:—Your correspondent has long been impressed with the importance of organizing Reading Rooms in this city, as well as throughout the settlements, as an agreeable and profitable mode of amusement and resort. There are many persons in this city, both old and young, who would hail with pleasure the establishment of good reading rooms; and I am convinced that such institutions, if fairly started and properly conducted, would not only receive the support nec-

essary for their maintenance, but they would soon become favorite resorts for those who fail to find amusement elsewhere.

I was pleased to see, in a recent impression of the NEWS, that the citizens of one of the settlements have turned their attention to this matter and are carrying it into active operation. Already a considerable number of names have been enrolled on the list of those who avowed the movement. With all the excellent facilities which this city now possesses for obtaining news, both from the East and West, with excellent school and meeting houses in which to assemble, it does seem that only a desire and determination are necessary to establish reading rooms throughout the city and Territory.

If this idea were carried out, a slight payment from each member would suffice—supposing a respectable number of persons clubbed together—to defray all incidental expenses connected with the successful working of good reading rooms. In case sufficient funds were not at hand to purchase many publications, the economical, and I think successful, plan of exchanging with a neighboring ward—supposing each ward were furnished with a reading room—might be adopted and thus a large amount of reading matter might be brought within the reach of all with very little expense.

Yours respectfully,

J. G.

SALT LAKE CITY,  
Jan. 26th, 1870.

*Editor Deseret News:*—Sir: Permit me to state through your paper, that I have this day, received telegrams from the Hon. William Hyde, Probate Judge of Cache County and the Post Master at Logan, informing me that the Cache Valley Mail yesterday did not bring any mail matter from Salt Lake City; consequently the citizens were again deprived of their letter mail, as well as of your valuable papers, which I am informed by the bishops of some of the settlements, is taken in some places by every family.

PETER MAUGHAN.

## Died.

At Fillmore, of dropsy, John Pilling. He leaves a large family to mourn his loss.

In the 13th Ward, January 25th, Franklin Robert, son of John and Elizabeth Manning, aged 14 months and 3 days.

At St. George, January 16th, at 5 a.m., of consumption, Mary Hill, daughter of John and Margaret Bryce Hill, and wife of Daniel D. McArthur.

Deceased was born January 26th, 1841, in Canada. When about two years old she went with her parents to Nanvoo, and has ever since been with the body of the Church, and has proved herself a faithful saint and an affectionate wife and mother. She leaves one child. She died in full faith.

At Eden City, Ogden Valley, January 28th, 1870, Christina Jade, daughter of John and Jessie Farrell, aged 1 year and 7 months.

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THE undersigned hereby give notice that they have been appointed by the Probate Court of Salt Lake County, administrators of the estate of Mrs. HARRIET E. ROGERS, deceased.

All persons having claims and those knowing themselves indebted, will please make it known, that the estate may be settled as early as possible.

JAMES SHELMEKDINE,  
ISAAC BROCKBANK,

Eighth Ward, Salt Lake City.

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