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## AMERICAN.

**NORWICH, Conn., 28.**—This city was startled by an earthquake shaking the buildings alarmingly. It lasted from 3 to 5 seconds and was accompanied by a deep rumbling. About the same time a brilliant meteor shot across the sky from northeast to northwest, emitting a dazzling white light and encompassed by flames, having an apparent diameter of eight feet.

**PROVIDENCE, R. I., 28.**—There was an earthquake shock at Newport last evening which was very generally felt, numbers of panes of glass were broken in that vicinity; meantime the Hill House at Stonebridge and houses on the Island were badly shaken.

At torpedo station the shock was so great that the officers thought the magazine had blown up. The Norwich meteor was observed by large numbers three minutes before the shock.

**WASHINGTON, 28.**—As predicted in these dispatches several days ago, Senator Davis has tendered his resignation. This step was taken after consultation with leading republican and democratic senators and indicates that one of the republican senators whose time will not expire before March, 1885, will be elected to succeed him, without opposition. Senator Edmunds will probably be chosen. Senator Anthony has been talked of, but his term expires on the 4th of March. In consequence of the action of Judge Davis there will be an election of his successor on the 3rd of March, the Senate thus avoiding a special session. One other result will be that there will be no change in the Senate's official corps until next December, to the great disappointment of Gorham and his friends and the intense disgust of Messrs. Mahone and Riddleberger, who will not count as important factors in the organization until next winter.

**SAN FRANCISCO, 28.**—The finance committee of the Board of Supervisors have decided to dispense with all the street lamps and recommend a two months' vacation of the court, and to reduce the expenses in the offices of clerk and sheriff until the next financial year.

**CHICAGO, 28.**—Geo. H. Taylor & Co., the large paper and printing establishment, confessed judgment this morning for \$125,000 and the place was seized by the sheriff and is now in the hands of a deputy. The larger sums for which judgment is entered are as follows: The First National Bank, Chicago, \$40,000; Jacob Newman, as trustee, \$15,000; Cleveland Paper Company, \$35,000. Taylor says the debts of the firm aggregate about \$40,000, and believed if outstanding accounts can be realized on in full, he can pay dollar for dollar.

**DALLAS, Tex., 28.**—Eight cars of lumber on the Texas Pacific were wrecked west of this city, and one man reported killed and two wounded.

**PALMYRA, Mo., 28.**—Mrs. B. Calvert, of Warren township, was drowned in attempting to cross North River on horseback.

**COLUMBIA, Mo., 28.**—Edward Daley, farmer and father of a large family, was shot and killed by Mrs. Sarah Pearson, at the residence of the latter. Daley had formerly been a visitor at her house and a damage suit for \$5,000 was a few months ago instigated against him by Mrs. Pearson for an alleged assault committed during one of his visits. Since that time the parties have been on unfriendly terms.

**CHICAGO, 28.**—A riotous demonstration, more serious than that reported in these dispatches as having occurred a few nights ago, was made upon the Chicago & Evanston Railroad last night. About midnight a band of 800 men fully organized marched up Southport Avenue to Fullerton Avenue. They were equipped with crowbars, jimmies, pickaxes, and under the direction of chosen leaders, proceeded to tear up the track. Five hundred feet of rails were torn up and twisted out of shape. The ties and roadbed were completely destroyed for that distance. The police had expected a riot, but the mob, by stratagem, had deceived the officers as to the time and place. When the latter arrived, the rioters formed in line and marched some distance in an orderly manner, and then dispersed. No arrests were made.

**LEXINGTON, Ky., 28.**—A fire broke out in Paris last night, and

barber shop; origin unknown; the whole block was destroyed. The Presbyterian church was the only building saved. The buildings burned were Davis & Lyle's drug store, Western Union Telegraph office, James Z. Croxton's notion store, John T. Nesbitt's grocery store, N. K. Kymmer's saddlery store, Jack Neal's saloon, Walter Clark's livery stable, Davies & Ryan's grocery. Loss between \$75,000 and \$100,000.

**NORFOLK, Va., 28.**—Governor Cameron starts to-night with steamers and a large military force against the illegal oyster-dredgers.

**BOSTON, 28.**—The Longfellow memorial association re-elected James Russell Lowell president, and accepted from the family a strip of land in front of his late residence whereon to erect a statue.

**WASHINGTON, 28.**—Nominations: Benj. M. Thomas, of New Mexico, register of the land office at Tucson, A. T.; Pedro Sanchez, of New Mexico, Indian agent, New Mexico. Confirmations: Declus C. Wade, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Montana; Jno. B. Allen, United States Attorney for the Territory of Washington.

Representative Cassidy presented a memorial from the Legislature of Nevada asking an appropriation of \$250,000 for sinking artesian wells in that State.

Estimated decrease of public debt for February, \$7,500,000. The best opinion obtainable to-night is almost unanimous that the tariff revision bill is dead for this session.

The Senate has ratified the supplemental extradition treaty between the United States and Spain.

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The Commissioner of the General Land Office has been directed by the Secretary of the Interior to give instructions to special timber agents who may be called upon to report cases of trespass upon lands within the limits of railroad grants not included in cases of alleged trespass upon odd sections. The Secretary says there is no legal reason why any railroad company when its grant of lands by Congress is unearned, cannot institute proceedings against trespassers on its lands, since no valid objection would be raised on the trial of such case on account of want of title in the company, inasmuch as the title to the company can be questioned only by the United States. This decision is made in the case of trespass against Thomas Jenkins, Wasco County, Oregon, for cutting one thousand cords of fire wood within the limits of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company's grant on unearned sections.

**NEW YORK, 28.**—Clearing house exchanges for the week as compared with the corresponding week last year show the following gains and losses in business transactions: Losses—New York, 21.5; Cincinnati, 5.0; Cleveland, 9; New Haven, 11.8; Worcester, 2.3; Syracuse, 3.4. All others have gained as follows: Boston, 1.8; Philadelphia, 3.7; Chicago, 6.9; St. Louis, 17.6; New Orleans, 31.6; Baltimore, 6.3; San Francisco, 4.1; Pittsburgh, 8.2; Louisville, 8.4; Milwaukee, 14.8; Kansas City, 60.1; Providence, 3.0; Indianapolis, 3.6; Hartford, 16.2; Memphis 5.2; Portland, 15.8; Columbus, 4.2; Peoria, 17.8; Springfield, 20.9; Lowell 115.7.

The Public, commenting on the exhibit, says: "Exchanges this week are unexpectedly large."

**JERSEY CITY, 28.**—Robt. H. Cook, arrested yesterday for embezzling \$9,730 from the Fifth Ward Savings Bank, entered a plea of guilty, and was sentenced to five years in the State prison.

**NEW YORK, 28.**—Lewis P. Carman, ex-secretary of Mahattan Fire Insurance Company, is missing since Sunday. The accounts of the company are short \$40,000.

**LAWRENCE, Mass., 28.**—Charles H. Cate probably fatally shot the widow of M. S. Anderson, then killed himself. Cate leaves a widow and family in Boston.

**NEW YORK, 28.**—For more than a year, Desire Houvet, a Frenchman, bore improper relations with the wife of Antoine Quinquinet, cook in the family of Henry P. Barker. A few days ago Quinquinet discovered the infidelity through the boasting of Houvet. The woman acknowledged her guilt, and to-night was fixed upon as the time when Houvet should make an explanation to the husband in presence of the woman. Houvet arrived before Quinquinet and took liberty with the wife.

When forbid, he replied with an oath. Seizing a cook's knife, Mrs. Quinquinet plunged it into his heart and he dropped dead. The woman is young and good looking. She has had eight children, all dead. She was born in Sydney, Australia, and has been married 13 years.

John Gerselman, formerly a letter carrier at Wurtemberg, Germany, was arrested on the steamer *Bohemia* to-day as the vessel neared the dock. Gerselman shot himself, dying instantly. He is charged with embezzlement.

**AUSTIN, Tex., 28.**—A negro was hung by an infuriated mob last night, at Elgin, for attempting to rape a little school girl yesterday morning.

**NEW YORK, 1.**—Wm. McNulty, a prominent young journalist, connected with the *Star*, *World* and *Herald*, died last night, aged 33. He was universally respected.

**SAN FRANCISCO, 28.**—Carson dispatch: Hank Mont, Horace Greeley's famous stage driver, died to-day.

**PALATINE, Ill., 28.**—Three cars of the Dakota train on the Chicago & Northwestern road were ditched near here this noon; one child killed, about fifty passengers were wounded.

Later advices show one child killed and 12 passengers injured, none seriously. All resumed their journey. A number of them were immigrants. Five cars turned over; cause, a broken rail.

**PHILADELPHIA, 28.**—The receiver of the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad and Coal and Iron Company, to-day formally surrendered to the officers of the companies control of the property of those corporations.

**ATLANTA, 28.**—The Georgia Pacific Railway is completed to Anniston, Ala.

**NEW YORK, 1.**—It is contemplated to introduce the Hallidie steel rope system of surface road cars in New York, as has been done in San Francisco and Chicago. It is claimed such a road in New York could make a profit at a uniform rate of three cents fare, the cars running at the rate of eight miles an hour.

**NORFOLK, Va., 30.**—One steamer of the oyster expedition has returned with a portion of the troops, and one porgy as a prize, one white man and six negroes prisoners. They found a fleet of 28 vessels at work in Virginia waters, about the mouth of the Potomac, but only got one, which was run aground. The captain and first mate escaped by a yawlboat. Seventy-five rounds of musketry and 25 solid shot were fired at a vessel that got off up the river and took shelter on the Maryland side. Three vessels escaped up the Potomac. The rest made for the Eastern shore of Maryland and Virginia. The Governor and remainder of the troops pass to-night on the oyster beds.

**ST. LOUIS, Mo., 1.**—J. B. Johnson, who signs himself as United States engineer, sends a communication to the *Globe-Democrat* in which he explains some peculiarities of floods in the lower Mississippi river, especially as to the rise of water at several principal points, and predicts a greater flood during the present rise at and below Helena than that of last year. It may be several days yet before the maximum height is reached he says, but when it does come it will exceed that of a year ago. He says more water has passed Cairo than ever before, that the maximum there was maintained longer than ever known and that this water will have to pass all points below this in conjunction with the highwater at White, Arkansas and Red Rivers, which makes it certain that the higher marks of last year will be covered during this rise.

**NEW YORK, 1.**—Police Justice Duffy decided that the case of Morse, arrested for producing the Passion Play, should go before a jury, and held the accused for trial. Bail was fixed at \$5,000.

**SAN ANTONIO, Tex., 1.**—A party of ranchmen surprised an Indian camp in Chihuahua, Mexico, a few days ago and captured 25 squaws, and killed 10 bucks.

**VICTORIA, B. C., 1.**—A prospector just returned from the Kootenay district brings specimens of lead, and silver ore of marvelous richness and nearly pure. He says the mines are of vast extent, and it is estimated that in one location there are 250,000 tons of ore in sight. The value of the mines at present discovered is \$50,000,000. One seam is one hundred feet thick. He also tells of great veins of pure copper visible in the hillsides. These mines are within 60 miles of the route selected by the Canadian Pacific Rail-

## SANPETE STAKE CONFERENCE.

The Quarterly Conference of the Sanpete Stake commenced on the 17th of February, 1883, at Ephraim.

Present of the general authorities of the Church, Apostle F. M. Lyman; who was accompanied by his son, F. M. Lyman, Junr.; of the Stake, President Canute Peterson and his councillors, Henry Beal and John B. Maiben, High Councillors, Bishops and others of the Priesthood.

Opened with the usual exercises. The Bishops, as called upon, reported their several wards. President Peterson and councillors each reported having visited the wards extensively, sustained the Bishops' reports in that there is an observable increase of faith and good works among the Saints.

Statistical report of Stake and Stake Superintendent's report of Sabbath schools were read by Elder A. H. Lund. Financial report of the Manti Temple by Counselor J. B. Maiben.

The general and Stake authorities were all sustained by unanimous vote. Also the local authorities of the wards, except Jens Hensen, first Counselor to O. A. Madsen, Bishop of Gunnison Ward, who had resigned and his resignation had been accepted. Eli A. Day, of Mount Carmel was called and sustained to go to Indianola ward, with his family, and to be occupied as school teacher.

Apostle Lyman occupied a portion of the time of each of the five meetings held, in discoursing upon the principles of the gospel in the following order: Faith, repentance, baptism, the Holy Ghost by the laying on of hands, sacrament, forgiveness, parents duties to their children, gathering, tithing, and plural marriage. All of which were treated upon, though necessarily briefly, yet in a clear and very able manner, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, and to the joy and satisfaction of the congregation assembled, which was very large notwithstanding the quite cold weather.

President Peterson said conference would adjourn for three months to meet at Manti. Dismissed by singing and benediction.

Apostle Lyman left for Manti immediately after conference adjourned, to fill an appointment for meeting at 7 p.m. expecting to fill another appointment at Wales at 7 p.m. on the 19th inst.

GEORGE TAYLOR,  
Assistant Clerk.

## BRIEF SKETCH OF HARRISON BURGESS.

PINE VALLEY,  
February 20, 1883.

Editor Deseret News:

By request of the family I write a short sketch of the life and labors of Elder Harrison Burgess. He departed this life very suddenly at his residence on Saturday, the 10th inst. For sometime his right side had been affected with palsy, and it supposed that this was the cause of his death. For about two weeks before his demise he had not been feeling well, but still he was able to be around. On the morning of the 10th inst., while dressing himself he was taken with a fainting spell, and in about an hour afterwards expired.

He was born Sept. 3d, 1814, in the town of Putnam, Washington County, State of New York. In the fall of 1832 he became a member of the Church, and in 1833 he was called to fill a mission in the State of Vermont. He was with Zion's Camp in 1834, and in 1835 he became a member of the first quorum of Seventies. July 1st, of the same year he was married to Sophia M. Foster. He was with the Saints in all their persecutions, and after the completion of the Nauvoo Temple he officiated in the ordinances thereof. In 1847 he obeyed the order of Celestial Marriage by taking Amanda M. Hammond to be his second wife, he thereby became the father of eleven children, having had no offspring from his first union. While preparing to move westward with the saints, he was called to take a mission to England. Accordingly, after getting his family comfortably started for the mountains, he bade them farewell, and went to carry the Gospel to the inhabitants of Great Britain. After about three years he returned to find his family safely located in the valley of the Great Salt Lake. For about twelve years he was a member of the City Council of that place, and in 1862 he was called to the Southern mission.

He settled in Pine Valley where he was chosen First Counselor to Bp. William Snow. After the death of Brother Snow he was acting Bishop for some time. He was one of the Presidents of Seventies, and was also a home missionary from the time of his arrival here until his death. He was a kind husband and a tender parent, beloved and respected by all who knew him. His death will be a severe blow to the community which will lose in him a wise counselor and a faithful defender of the truth. Prompt in duty and faithful to the last, he rests in the hopes of a glorious resurrection.

## Correspondence.

A VOICE FROM THE MUDDY.

OVERTON, Lincoln County, Nev.,  
Feb. 10, 1883.

Editor Deseret News:

Having changed my base of operations, I will report to the ever vigilant and faithful DESERET NEWS. This valley is nearly 150 miles in a southwesterly direction from St. George, Utah. When occupied by the Latter-day Saints, about 12 or 14 years ago, it contained three towns—St. Thomas, situated at or near the Junction of the Muddy, with the Rio Virgin River. This town has its streets lined with wide-spreading cottonwood trees, some of them five feet in circumference. Two or three families live there. Thence up the Muddy eight miles to Overton, a high and slightly location, with a clear view to the south all the way to the Colorado River, 80 miles distant; thence still higher up the Muddy five miles to the site of old St. Joseph, now owned and occupied by one man (Mr. Logan); thence up 15 miles to the Upper Muddy and to old West Point, now held by the government as an Indian reservation. One man is paid for staying there. If the government knew the facts they would, I think, dispense with this fifth wheel in a wagon and open the place to actual settlers.

This muddy is a rapid stream about ten feet wide and six feet deep and the only stream, I am told, that runs out of the State of Nevada. Its waters first rise in what was once called the Valley of a Thousand Springs. More than 100 miles north from here and immediately west of the rim of the Great Basin these waters sink and rise several times and finally form this turbulent stream.

On the Upper Muddy the water is warm and has a milky appearance. At Overton it is cold and clear. Nearly all the timber along this stream was planted by the "Mormons." I often hear the question asked, why did the "Mormons" come here and lay out \$50,000 or a \$100,000, then pull up stakes and throw all this away. I ask the question myself. There is good land and it is easily watered; the creek overflows in places, and causes tule swamps, but these are easily drained, and when once dried they will burn say 12 inches deep of the soil, and every acre thus reclaimed is equal to the Missouri bottoms. When this and the valleys lying north were settled, they were supposed to belong to Utah; when the line was drawn this chain of valleys fell on the Nevada side, and though the people had paid their taxes in Utah they were required to pay them over again to Nevada for four years back, which they declined to do, and the Muddyites left, while the more gritty Panacalts neither ran nor paid the unjust requirements. The whole thing was finally thrown out of the court, and Sheriff Cane (a "Mormon" eater's) bill of \$23,000 for dogging the "Mormons" was simmered down to \$16,000 and paid.

I believe I am safe in saying the present officials and people now see and admit that they never did a worse job than drive the industrious Mormons away who said at the time they were willing to pay all just demands. The company is now badly in debt, and how could they expect it to be otherwise when they allow the honest, working people to be maltreated in Panacca. This sheriff came, locked up boarding houses and stores and made men look down his pistol barrels, but when the men came together, he found quarters in Ploche. Mrs. Jennings, of St. Thomas tells me that a large number of attachments were nailed to her door. Well, we will not dwell upon these unpleasant things. The Mormons