

reported statements of Geo. Irving, of Idaho, and I was asked if I thought such were the habits of the "Mormons". I could not help smiling and there told my interrogator the cause of their reported interviews, and falsehoods about the people of Utah. Instead of these enemies persecuting us they had better lay the axe to the root of evils which exist in their own midst.

J. E. H.

SUMMER HERDS AND SCHOOL TAXES.

We have just received the following letter, which seems to have been a long time on the way:

PEOA, June 28, 1883.

Editor Deseret News:

Please be so kind as to give space in your paper as to whether or not herds of cattle or sheep, horses or other kind of stock being summered in a school district can be taxed for school purposes, that is providing there is a meeting called and a vote taken for that purpose. Please answer soon and oblige.

Yours truly,

PEOA.

The school law provides that a school tax not exceeding two per cent. per annum may be assessed by a two-thirds majority vote of the property tax-payers resident in the district, present at a meeting called for that purpose, upon all the taxable property in the district. Stock is of course taxable property, and in the case supposed, is in the district. It would seem at first sight that it was liable to the school tax, providing the tax was not to be used for the payment of school teachers, for the law exempts the property of non-residents from taxes assessed for that purpose, in a school district. The assessor appointed by the trustees is also required to "make an assessment at a fair cash valuation of all the taxable property in the district."

We have heard of taxes being thus assessed and collected from the owners of sheep, cattle and other stock summering within the limits of distant school districts. But we think it very doubtful whether such taxation, if resisted, would stand the test of the courts. It looks as though the phrase "All taxable property in the district" refers to permanent rather than transient property. A special arrangement is made in the law for the taxation of transitory herds for general purposes, but not for the district school tax. It is quite within the lines of probability that a sheep herd may be taken to a range within the limits of a school district and under the letter of the law be assessed two per cent. for a school tax, then in a short time be moved into another school district and reassessed, and when taken home into the school district where the owner resides, be liable to a third assessment, which would materially lessen the profits of the herding business, besides being manifestly unjust. There is no fixed season for the assessment of a school tax, and a moving herd might pass through a series of taxations that would be enough to bankrupt the unfortunate owner.

The enforcement of collection, too, would be rather a difficult matter, for the trustees cannot proceed under the law, in this direction themselves, but must furnish a list of delinquent taxes to the Collector of the county, who in cases of the removal of the herd would have to send the list to the Collector of another county and so the trouble would become great.

We are of the opinion, then, that transitory herds cannot be taxed for school purposes under the school law, for we believe the term "taxable property in the district" would not be held by the courts to cover such cases. At the same time it is unfair to settlers that herds of stock, and particularly sheep, are taken within close proximity to their villages and towns, annoying them and eating out the range for their own stock. But there is no law at present to prevent this, and the people who inhabit the upper valleys will have to make the best arrangements they can to protect themselves from the encroachments of summer herders, who ought to refrain from trespassing upon the rights and privileges of the settlers, while all parties should be governed by the golden rule.

MISTAKES ABOUT "MORMONISM."

MORMONISM, in proportion to its dimensions, is seemingly doing the heaviest work in emigration of any organization, official or otherwise, upon this continent. It is strange, too, that the bulk of the recruits to this religious thralldom is derived from the freest and most independent races. In the United States partisan interests have hampered the enforcement of the national demand for the suppression of all Mormon customs that are obviously usurpations of Federal and State authority. The Chinese, having nothing to throw into either side of the political scales, were summarily deprived of equal human rights in the country; the Mormons, having weight enough to turn a presidential election, are allowed to grasp privileges and wield powers accorded to no other class, creed, breed or condition in the Republic.

We take the foregoing from the Montreal, Canada, *Witness*. It is a mixture of truth and error, chiefly the latter. It is true that no religious system is doing as great a work in proportion to its dimensions as "Mormonism," whether in proselyting efforts or in gathering people from abroad to the centre of the Church. It is also true that the bulk of our converts are found among the freest and most independent of races. But it is not true that they are brought into "thralldom," religious or otherwise, or that partisan interests have anything to do with the non-enforcement of laws for the suppression of "Mormon" customs, nor that the "Mormons" are allowed to grasp privileges accorded to no other class.

The *Witness* does not understand the situation. The "Mormons" have no more to do with the "turn of a Presidential election" than so many Chinese or Canadians. They are most of them citizens of the United States, but they have no vote directly or indirectly in an election for President. This is one of the anomalies of the prevalent system of government in this great Republic. The President of the United States appoints many officers to conduct the public affairs of this Territory, and the people have no vote or voice either in their election or the election of the man who appoints them. Of course there is nothing republican in this, and it is, in fact, in direct antagonism with the spirit of American institutions. But it is a fact, nevertheless; a shameful, inconsistent, but stern reality.

If there are any privileges and powers that the "Mormons" are allowed to grasp and wield that are accorded to no other class, we would like to have them pointed out. We are under the impression that there is no other religious body so hampered and restricted and assailed as the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Talk about usurpations of Federal and State authority! Does the *Witness* know what it is talking about? All the political power left to the people of Utah is to elect a few local officers, and quite a number of lawful voters are prevented from exercising the franchise, without any decision of a court against them, but simply through regulations made in excess of law by Commissioners appointed by arbitrary authority. If they who are permitted to use the right to vote elect men to make laws for them, one man thrust upon them against wishes, by simply withholding his signature can render their acts void, and no two-thirds vote or even unanimous vote can override the absolute veto.

Everything that can be done, and more than can be legally done, is in operation to deprive us of privileges and powers accorded to every other class and condition of citizens, and to cripple and suppress the system commonly called "Mormonism." Why then does it prevail? Why does it accomplish the "heaviest work" in proselytism and emigration of any society on the continent, and find its converts among the freest and most independent races? Simply because its principles are incontrovertible, and carry with them the evidences of their own truth and potency. Because their advocates are profoundly impressed with their divinity. Because they bring no thralldom, but deliver men and women from bondage and lift them into the light and liberty of the Gospel. Because nothing can be brought

to bear against the system but falsehood, and that prevails only for a little season, over minds eager for truth. Because the energies employed for its overthrow are such as far and honorable people despise, and when it is seen as it is, unobscured by the smoke and dust raised around it by its foes, it shines forth in such beauty that humble seekers after truth embrace it with great admiration and are ready to follow it to death or unto the ends of the earth.

We can assure the *Witness* that "Mormonism" is altogether different to that which its opponents represent it to be. They do not understand it themselves. The men who make laws against it know scarcely anything about it. The preachers and editors who declare against it never take the trouble to find out the facts concerning it. All their efforts have the contrary effect to that desired and expected. A revision of feeling follows the correction of misunderstanding in just minds which have been deceived by false reports, and good to the system comes out of the evil intended.

So "Mormonism" goes on with its work of enlightening the souls of men and lifting them into communion with God. It leads them to faith, hope, charity and knowledge. It purges them of sin, and gives them strength to resist evil. It fills them with divine light and constant joy, and opens for them the way to the fountains of everlasting intelligence. It shows the poor among them how to live and become self-sustaining, and aids them to obtain true liberty in obeying true law. And it is going to prevail. The *Witness* may make a note of it. It cannot be suppressed. It lives in the hearts of hundreds of thousands, and will yet fire the souls of millions, and its light will shine to the uttermost parts of the earth, to the confusion of the works of darkness and the glory of its Divine Author. We advise the *Witness* to find out some thing about it, before making further remarks.

SANPETE PEOPLE'S CONVENTION.

SANPETE COUNTY,

July 18, 1883.

Editor Deseret News:

According to notice the delegates of the several precincts of this county met in convention at Mantle, July 14, 1883. A temporary organization was effected, Luther Tuttle, chairman, A. I. Lund, secretary. A committee on credentials reported every precinct represented. Permanent organization as above. Nominations at large were then called.

After several gentlemanly passes and some humorous reasons for a wide-spread search for men of the desired ability, the following were chosen as the nominees of the People's Party in this County:

For Probate Judge, W. Anderson; for County Clerk, John Reid; for County Recorder, John Reid; for County Attorney, W. K. Reid; for County Assessor, A. E. Merriam; for County Selectmen, P. McFarlane and John Carter; Sheriff, Christian Larson; Coroner, John Anderson; Surveyor, J. Hargard; Superintendent of District Schools, A. T. Lund.

For the Legislature—to the Council, Luther I. Tuttle; to the House, Rees R. Llewellyn.

The Central Committee for this county were re-chosen. I have not separated the parties as to terms, full or unexpired; the recipients of the honors will know. Thus the men of the masses are again to the front. Hardly anything matures at even numbers; not even the Hoar Amendment (the 6 months bill).

I think the ticket chosen eminently proper and will sustain the good name of the county as to its officials for honor and probity in the discharge of their duties.

A well merited vote of thanks was tendered and received with hearty acclaim to the retiring county clerk and recorder, W. T. Reid, for his long and faithful services.

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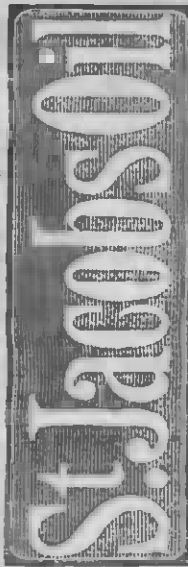
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

ESTATE OF ELIJAH CARSON, DECEASED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE undersigned, Executor of the Estate of Elijah Carson, deceased, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers, within ten months after the publication of this notice, to the said Executor, at his residence in Salt Lake City in the County of Salt Lake.

Dated at Salt Lake City, July 10th, 1883.
A. MILTON MUSSER,
Executor of the Estate of Elijah Carson, deceased.

RE-ORGANIZATION OF THE FIRM OF

Fish Brothers & Co.

TO THE PEOPLE OF UTAH:

The Co-partnership between T. G. FISH, E. B. FISH and J. C. HUGGINS, under the firm name of Fish Bros. & Co., expired by limitation on January 1st, 1883. At that date, J. C. HUGGINS retired from the firm D. J. MOREY and S. S. LYON purchasing his interest. In the re-organization of the new firm of Fish Bros. & Co. which then took place, our Utah trade was thoroughly discussed, and we determined to give the Utah trade that attention in future which it deserves, and which was, to some extent, neglected in 1882.

S. S. LYON, one of the new members of the firm, who had been in the employ of the old firm many years, spent several weeks with Mr. Lowell at Salt Lake last fall, and gave his special attention to ascertaining all defects and all needed improvements in the Fish Wagon, to keep it in the future, as in past years, the STANDARD WAGON of Utah and adjoining Territories.

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Racine, Wis., April 18th, 1883.

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NO USE FOR THEM.

Concerning Certain Relics of the Past—Dogs that have had their Day.

George Stephenson's "Rocket," and the magnificent locomotives of to-day, are built upon the same general principle, yet the machine with which the great engineer astonished his age, is interesting now only as an illustration of the beginning of the invention. There were plasters with holes in them long before BENSON'S CAPCINE PORUS PLASTER surprised both the public and the physicians; and the triumph of the Capcine is founded upon the partial successes, or the utter failures of its predecessors. Everything of value in the old porous plaster is retained in the Capcine; but at this point all comparison ends, and contrast begins. For example:

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NOTICE

In the Probate Court in and for Salt Lake County, Utah Territory.

MARY MULLETT, Plaintiff,
vs.
DAVID MULLETT, Defendant.

SUMMONS.

The People of the United States in ing, to David Mullett, Defendant:

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO APPEAR in an action brought against you by the above named plaintiff in the Probate Court, of the County of Salt Lake, Territory of Utah, and to answer the complaint filed therein within ten days, (exclusive of the day of service) after the service on you of summons—if served within this County; or, if served out of this County, but in this district, within twenty days; otherwise within forty days, or judgment by default will be taken against you, according to the prayer of said complaint.

The said action is brought to obtain a decree from this court dissolving the marriage contract existing between said plaintiff and you, and awarding to Plaintiff the custody of Leonard Mullett and Louisa Ann Mullett, minors, the issue of said marriage and for such other order and decree as to the Court seemeth proper and for costs of suit. Plaintiff alleges as grounds for this application that defendant has cruelly treated the plaintiff to the extent of causing great bodily injury, and also to the extent of causing great mental distress to plaintiff, and that defendant for more than two years last past has willfully neglected to provide for the plaintiff the common necessities of life. And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer the said complaint as above required, the said plaintiff will apply to this court for the relief prayed for and cost of suit.

Witness, the Hon. E. Smith, Judge, and the Seal of the Probate Court of Salt Lake County, Territory of Utah, this 22nd day of June, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-three.

D. BOCKHOLT, Clerk.
CHAS. F. BLANDIN,
83 East Temple St., Attorney for Plaintiff.
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