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—TERMS—IN ADVANCE—

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY AUGUST 31.

Recovered.—We are pleased to see Dr. Wm. J. Smith, who was kicked by a horse some time ago, around again, having recovered from his accident.

Excavating.—Considerable excavating is going on on Main Street near Auerbach and Brother's new store. It is to connect the new building with the water mains, as the store is to be provided with elevators.

Dissolved Partnership.—The firm of Young, Marks and Young, of the Tea Warehouse, on Main Street, has dissolved partnership. Messrs. Steve Marks and F. L. Young are the retiring members. The senior partner, Mr. A. D. Young will continue the business at the old stand.

Libel Refuted.—A party of noble red men and women, seated on the brink of a water set on Main Street, this morning, diligently engaged in discussing the merits of a number of water melons, was the cynosure of public attraction. The assertion that Indians throw away the core, and only eat the rind of a melon, was proven to be a libel on the race. They swallow core, rind and all.

The City Vault.—The fire and burglar proof vault, now being erected at the City Hall, by Watson Brothers, is progressing rapidly. The basement vault is completed, and the walls in the room above are more than half way up to the ceiling. The iron doors are in place, and it is expected the whole thing will be finished before the close of the week.

Obsequies.—The funeral services over the remains of Sister Sarah Hobbs, a blind lady, formerly of Kennington Branch, London Conference, were performed this morning, in the Ninth Ward, being conducted by Bishop S. A. Woolley. A funeral discourse was delivered by Elder C. W. Penrose, and many friends attended. Deceased was born in Kent, England, Feb. 22, 1804, and was a faithful Latter-day Saint. The *Millennial Star* will confer a favor by noticing her decease.

Wants a Hospital.—Milford wants a hospital. It is said that from 500 to 800 miners are engaged in that vicinity, and instead of having to come to Salt Lake, in case of sickness, thereby incurring delay and expense that might be obviated, it is urged by the *Sentinel* that a hospital should be built there, to accommodate the southern mining districts. In support of the claim of Milford that paper says it is centrally located, has plenty of water, and a nice and pleasant site could be secured upon which to erect the building.

Washout.—The recent washout on the Union Pacific, which delayed the mails, occurred about thirty miles west of Plum Creek, Nebraska, last Thursday night or rather early on Friday morning. Two feet of water blocked the train, putting out the fire in the engine. A brakeman went to the nearest section house, nearly a mile distant, and the hands there went to the next eastern station, where word was telegraphed in time to stop other trains except some for assistance. The passengers went back to Plum Creek station and stayed there till 1 o'clock on Saturday. The Ogden Junction gives full particulars obtained from Joseph Stanford, Esq., who has just returned from a business trip to the East.

A Vigorous Centenarian.—“Ephraim Pratt, born in East Sudbury, November 1, 1686; removed to Shutesbury soon after its first settlement, where he resided until he died, May 22nd, 1804, in his 117th year.”

“He was cheerful in his disposition and temperate in his habits. He swung a scythe 101 consecutive years, and mounted a horse without assistance at the age of 110.”

The above is a copy of the inscription on the grave-stone of Mr. Pratt, erected by the town of Shutesbury, Franklin County, Mass. It was brought from the States by Elder Henry W. Brizzee, and presented to Apostle Orson Pratt, as possibly relating to one of his ancestors. Elder Pratt, however, is a native of the State of New York.

Davis Stake Conference.—The Quarterly Conference of the Davis Stake was held at Farmington, August 28th and 29th. President John Taylor and Apostles Orson Pratt and F. D. Richards were present. There were also present President Wm. R. Smith and Counselors Layton and Call, and most of the bishops of the county, and Elders William J. Smith, George F. Gibbs, from Salt Lake City, and D. M. Stuart from Ogden.

The meetings were held in Thomas Smith's Grove, and but for wind, which prevailed on Saturday from the south, and on Sunday from the north, were very enjoyable.

The speakers on Saturday after the reports of the bishops, were Elders Orson Pratt and John Taylor, and on Sunday, Elders F. D. Richards, Orson Pratt and John Taylor. The sermons were all reported by Elder Gibbs.

Woman's Exponent.—The *Exponent* for September first is also out ahead of time. The following are its contents: The first page and a portion of the second is occupied by the “Jubilee of Zion,” a poem by O. F. Whitney, the same read at the Pioneer celebration on the 24th, and now for the first time published in complete form. Following is the continuation of a “Pen Sketch of an Illustrious Woman,” “Letter from a Stranger,” “Faith, What is It?” F. B. Hart; “Brigham Young Academy,” continued; “Appeal to Women Voters,” editorial; “Utah Silk Association,” a member; “Fourth of July, 1880, in San Francisco,” Nellie; “From Sanpete to Juab,” editorial. Besides these are the usual notes and news, Home Affairs, correspondence, etc., all of which go to make up a very attractive paper.

The September “Contributor.”—The closing number of the first volume of this magazine is out a day ahead of time. Its contents are as follows:—The closing number of *Confidence*, by Elder Moses Thatcher; Interior of the Earth, Quebec; Lesser Lights of the Book of Mormon: VI. Jacob the Zoramite, R; Relation of Education to Crime, O. H. Riggs; The Savior; Old Letters, Emmeline B. Wells; Editorial: End of Volume I; The Memorial Monument; The Worship of the past, O. F. Whitney; A Navajo's Pluck, R. W. Young; Bits of Travel: XII. City of Milan, De Vallibus; The Warfare then and now, B. H. Roberts; Memory; In Memoriam.

A good number to wind up the first twelve months' career. The volume has been an interesting one, duly appreciated by the reading public. The first number of volume second will appear October 1st. Its style will be changed slightly, with the addition of ten pages more of reading matter. Nearly all of the old corps of contributors will continue to write for the magazine, and some others whose productions have not yet appeared in its columns. We wish it a continuation of its past success.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY, SEPT. 1.

Big Bet.—Two citizens of Main Street made a presidential bet today; the stakes are \$1,000 against \$900, that Hancock will be elected over Garfield.

We are no better—that is, we never bet, especially up among the “hundreds,” but we'll risk a large apple on the chance of the \$1,000 man's winning the wager.

The Jail Breakers.—Sheriff Turner, of Utah County, came up from Provo last night, having in charge the Indian jail-breaker, Jeff McBride. The Sheriff will await here the arrival of Sheriff Pepper, of Wyoming, who will convey the runaway back to Evanston.

The negro, captured about the same time, has already been taken back to his old quarters.

Arrived.—Among the arrivals from the east last night, was Elder Charles French, of this city, who landed at New York over a month ago with the emigrant company that has since reached this city. Elder French remained about a month in New York, visiting friends, previous to continuing on his way home to Utah. He has been on a mission to Great Britain for about 16 months, and returns looking and feeling first rate. We bid him welcome.

Mortuary Report.—Following is the Sexton's report for August:

Accidental.....	1
Child birth.....	1
Consumption (phthisis pulmonalis).....	2
Diarrheal causes.....	3
Diphtheria.....	7
Fever (brain).....	1
Old Age and general debility.....	4
Premature Birth.....	1
Still born.....	3
Unknown.....	1
Total.....	24
SEX OF DECEDENTS.	
Males.....	12
Females.....	12
AGES.	
Under 1 year.....	5
One to 5 years.....	8
Five to 10 “.....	2
Ten to 20 “.....	1
Over 20 “.....	8
Brought from country places for interment.....	4
Total interments.....	28
NATIVITIES.	
Utah, 16; United States, 3; England, 3; Scotland, 1; Sweden, 1.	
JOSEPH E. TAYLOR, Sexton.	

Departed.—Mr. John Robinson, an architect and builder by vocation, a gentleman of respectability in society, died at 2 Victoria Terrace, in Douglass, Isle of Man, on the 10th day of July last, at the ripe age of 82 years.

During the early days of the Church in the Isle of Man the elders were made welcome to the hospitality of his happy home. Although he did not embrace the fullness of the gospel his wife and several members of his family became members of the Church. Two daughters and several grandchildren have for many years been residents of Utah, and others of the family have for years looked forward to a time when circumstances would permit them to gather with the Saints.

Mr. Robinson's death was from the decline of old age rather than from any particular form of disease.

Utah Stake Conference.—We have received an extended report of the proceedings at the Quarterly Conference held in Provo on the 28th and 29th ult. As we have not sufficient space for the minutes as furnished, we present a synopsis of the same: The business of the conference on Saturday morning was introduced by Apostle Wilford Woodruff. After the statistical reports were read the congregation was addressed by Apostle George Q. Cannon. He spoke of the evils existing among the people and of their eradication. Referred to the isolation of Utah's people prior to 1880, and to the difference of affairs in our midst then and now. He often regretted the departure of those days of peace, when vices now existing were almost unknown. Still the hand of the Lord was over all. No doubt He had permitted temptations to be brought, that the faith of the Saints might be tried and rise superior to surrounding evils. In this way were they to be proven worthy to lead and counsel others. In our Territorial subjection, a wise Providence was manifested. By being oppressed ourselves, we would learn to show mercy to others when the Lord saw fit to exalt his people. The speaker touched upon the subject of independence. Some thought rebellion meant independence, but such were in error. The independence of the Saints was shown in their forsaking all and allowing themselves to be driven from their

homes rather than relinquish faith in the gospel. But being rebellious, was far from being independent.

In the afternoon, Patriarch John Smith addressed the meeting briefly on the necessity of the Saints living their religion, as the first step toward apostasy was the neglect of seemingly small yet important duties. He was followed by Apostle W. Woodruff, who dwelt on the fulfillment of prophecy. No private interpretation of Scripture should be made, but the literal fulfillment of the words of inspired men must be expected. The prophecies made by Joseph in 1828 and 1829 were already fulfilling, and all should be awake to prepare for the future, when the Savior was to come. Spoke also of the great work to be performed for the dead. The speaker was followed by Apostle Joseph F. Smith, who continued the subject of baptism for the dead and read passages relating thereto from the Old and New Testaments. Sunday forenoon was occupied by Elder George Q. Cannon, who spoke of the advantages of the present generation over their ancestors, and of the apparent desire, nevertheless, of the former to follow after the erroneous traditions of their fathers, instead of making use of their own superior privileges. Elder Joseph F. Smith was the first speaker in the afternoon. He referred to the establishment of the gospel in these days, spoke of the good it had done and how the world hated the Saints because they tried to be righteous, and because their light shone so that it revealed the deformity and wickedness of their oppressors. This was why the latter exulted over the introduction of evils into the midst of the Saints, hoping that they would become likewise corrupt, and might no longer be able to show a contrast by their good works. He urged the Saints to be fearless and determined, and do right and all would be well.

President Smoot, in conclusion, expressed his pleasure at what had been said during the meetings by the brethren, and hoped the people would profit by the remarks. Spoke of political matters, and strenuously urged the Saints to be on the alert and exercise the elective franchise in all elections, if they desire to remain free. Benediction by Elder I. Bullock.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, SEPT. 2.

The Oyster Months.—The first month of the oyster season has arrived. The cabalistic “R” and the realistic oyster, will continue with us until late next April.

Academy Open.—The B. Y. Academy, at Provo, opened last Monday with an enrolment of 120 students. We believe this is the largest attendance on the first day of a new year, that the Academy has ever seen.

Struck with Paralysis.—On Monday evening, the 30th inst., a man named John Scartliff, of Kayville, while on his way home, driving a team near Bountiful, was attacked by paralysis and fell from his wagon to the ground. He was found next morning in the spot where he had fallen, benumbed with cold and nearly unconscious. He received the kind care of the people living there, and when last heard from was in a much improved condition.

Views of the Monument.—We have been shown some fine views of the Standing monument, lately erected in the City Cemetery, taken by Mr. C. W. Carter, the skilful photographer of this city, since the column was placed in position. There are three sizes, cards and cabinets for the album, and views adapted for the stereoscope. All sides of the monument are shown, one of the pictures being especially fine, taking in the city in the distance. They are really excellent views and should be seen by all.

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