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TERMS—IN ADVANCE.

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY, FEB. 28.

Flood.—Sandy is being treated to a flood on a small scale. The numerous gullies and ruts in the land above are transformed into beds for rushing currents of water. On Sunday several people had to turn out and work hard to save their houses. The grade of a portion of the railroad side track has been washed away.

Apocryphal New Testament.—We have received from Joseph H. Parry, newsdealer, bookseller and stationer, the Apocryphal New Testament, being all the gospels, epistles and other pieces now extant attributed to Jesus Christ, his Apostles and their companions, and not included, by its compilers, in the authorized New Testament. It contains some very interesting reading, some portions of which bear the stamp of truth, while others have a doubtful sound. The compilation is profusely illustrated with curious pictures taken from ancient parchments and sculpture. The price of the book is \$1.50.

Far South.—Brother Lorenzo H. Hatch wrote from Taylor, Apache County, A. T., on the 10th inst.

"We have had unusual storms and snows in the forests and have a bright prospect for a bountiful crop. Much energy is being manifested in repairing dams, clearing out and enlarging water canals, building fences, etc. The few faithful saints at Woodruff are very busy repairing the damage done by last year's flood to the famous dam, having hopes of all home comforts that can be raised in that most lovely valley. Last season the water was raised 30 feet and ran nicely to the delight of many. Despite all the predictions of false prophets all products planted and protected, surpassed in quality and growth our neighboring settlements. Woodruff is on the way for prosperity. Our wholesale co-operative store has been established at that place. The Relief, Young Men's, Young Ladies' Improvement and Primary Societies are all prosperous. The Bishops are wide awake for the building up of Zion.

The Waterworks.—Mr. Ottinger, superintendent of waterworks has just completed a plan for an additional tank to be submitted to the City Council. Its capacity will be 300,000. It is proposed to locate this reservoir on City Creek, a short distance above the three others already there. It is intended also to make an alteration in the mode of connecting the tanks with each other. At present the water flows through the three by direct connection. It is proposed by Mr. Ottinger to run a pipe alongside all of the tanks and connect each by branching into it, with valve attachment so as to give full command of each tank separately, in case of a mishap in either.

The proposed new tank is an absolute necessity, as heretofore, on account of the freezing of the Creek, the water in the three, through which the supply is now obtained, has occasionally been nearly exhausted, and such an emergency as a fire at such a time, would be very embarrassing.

FATAL GUN ACCIDENT.

AMOS ANDRUS RECEIVES HIS DEATH WOUND FROM THE ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE OF A GUN.

A sad and fatal accident occurred at Spanish Fork on Saturday about 2 o'clock p. m., by which Amos

Andrus, a son of Milo Andrus, lost his life. A number of young men had gone out on a rabbit hunt on the west side of Spanish Fork River. They had just stopped for noon and some of them were unhitching the team, when one of the party handed his gun to another, who was sitting in the front part. The latter took it and laid it down on some coats that were in the wagon box. In a few seconds the gun went off, discharging the contents of one barrel into the head and face of the boy, who was standing about one rod from the wagon. He was taken home in an unconscious condition, and expired about 10 o'clock the same night. Dr. Walter R. Pike arrived just before his death, but nothing could be done to save his life. Some of the shots passed through his brain.

The lad would have been twelve years old in April. He had a bright intellect, was impulsive, but good hearted. He had rather pressed upon his brother Alma, and his grandmother, to let him go with the party that day. And as they were leaving town in their wagons, several persons, because of their reckless manner, cautioned them against danger. It is to be hoped, while there is no one particularly to blame, that others may take warning from this occurrence and be more cautious.

An inquest was held yesterday. The coroner's jury gave a verdict of death by the accidental discharge of a gun.

We are under obligations for this account of the occurrence to Brother Wm. Creer.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY, MARCH 1.

Burglary Theft.—On Monday, George Miller, a tramp, burglariously entered the house of Mr. Job Pingree, of Ogden, abstracted \$12 from a drawer and walked away. The *Herald* of that town says he was caught and will remain in jail 56 days.

Heavy Mortality.—The report of Sexton Taylor for February, shows an excess of twenty-two deaths over the corresponding month in any year since the settlement of Salt City. The highest number in the month of February heretofore, was thirty-eight.

Bear Lake Stake.—The Democrat speaks as follows about the proposed Bear Lake Stake Tabernacle:

The feeling manifested at the Priesthood Meeting on the 14th inst., was unanimously in favor of its immediate construction, and considering in whose hands the matter is left (the Presidency of the Stake and Bishops Spencer and Price), we anticipate the speedy erection of a most creditable edifice.

Ninety-Five.—Monday was the 95th anniversary of the birthday of Mother Ann Gowans, of Tooele. Bishop Thomas Atkins, Jr., and the Relief Society made it the occasion of an old folk's re-union. At 1 p. m. there was a fine dinner, in which 229 guests, 30 of whom were 70 years old and upwards, participated. The company were waited upon by 21 neatly dressed, handsome young maidens. The time was consumed till four o'clock in making speeches, singing, etc. At night there was a dance.

Suicide at Silver Reef.—Silver Reef, 28.—Mrs. Adolphe, wife of Fritz Adolphe, proprietor of a shooting gallery at Salt Lake several years ago, and afterward in the hotel business at Alta, committed suicide at her residence here about 3 o'clock this morning. The tragedy was not discovered till this evening, when she was found in her night dress lying on the floor in a pool of blood, a revolver close to her head with one barrel empty. The indications show that she must have placed the pistol in her mouth and fired, the ball passing through the top of her head and into the ceiling. She had of late been in a very despondent condition; which, together with the two frequent indulgence in liquor, was the probable cause.

Taxation of Mining Products.—Yesterday Mr. Hatch introduced in the House of Representatives of the Legislature a bill providing for the taxing of the products of mines. In

other Territories and States, laws of that kind exist, and there is no valid reason why Utah should be an exception to the rule. The mining industry is a prolific source of wealth to many engaged in it, it enjoys all the benefits, in common with every other pursuit, of all the safeguards thrown around property by good government. There is no reason why the mining industry should be exempted from bearing its proportion of the public burdens, especially as its prosecution causes at least a proportionate share of public expenditure. We understand that some of the most substantial mining men have no objection to offer to such a measure as that presented by Mr. Hatch.

New Zealand Mission.—We have perused a letter to President Taylor from Elder W. M. Bromley, President of the New Zealand Mission. According to a report submitted at a conference lately held it was shown that the mission comprises six branches and 230 souls, including 85 children. Fifty members had been added during last year by baptism, and 61 had emigrated to Utah.

Prejudice against the Saints was becoming less strong, with Christchurch as an exception. At that place it had been found impossible to obtain a hall in which to hold services, and the brethren were likewise prohibited from preaching on the streets. Since a late visit there of Elders Bromley and Groesbeck the place had been shaken by heavy earthquake shocks, which, among other damage wrought, injured the new cathedral.

The Maories are investigating the Gospel; one of the King's counselors, an influential chief, has embraced it and the King is reported to be favorably disposed.

Brother Bromley states that a ridiculous belief is current in New Zealand, to the effect that all correspondence written here has to be submitted to the Church authorities for approval or condemnation. A number of the people who have emigrated from there to Utah having failed to fulfil promises to write to their friends, appears in the judgment of some to give color to this view. We hope that parties who have been thus negligent will correspond with their friends according to agreement.

BURGLARY AT KAYSVILLE.

THE KAYSVILLE CO-OP. ROBBED OF \$300, AND MR. WEINEL, OF A TEAM AND WAGON.

Last night, the co-operative store at Kaysville, Davis County, was entered by burglars. They gained ingress by the back door, which they burst open by using a plank for a battering ram.

After gaining the interior of the building, they submitted the safe to the same kind of treatment as that given to Mr. Culmer's, of this city, on Monday morning. They employed nitro-glycerine, with which, in this instance, they were successful in shattering it so that it was broken open. The robbers carried away the cash contents, \$300, and several notes. Taking a small axe with them, the burglars, on leaving the store, proceeded to the barn of Mr. Weinel, the Kaysville miller, and broke in the door. They took a team and light wagon belonging to that gentleman, with which they left the place.

In the hope that a description of Mr. Weinel's horses might aid in their recovery and in the arrest of the robbers, we give it: One horse is sorrel, with white hind feet, and the other a bay with one white fore foot.

It is not improbable that the burglars are the same gang who made several unsuccessful attempts upon premises in this city lately. It is not likely that they came this way from Kaysville after last night's deprivation, but more likely that they would make for some point on the railroad, with the intention of leaving the team and taking to the train.

Later—Since the foregoing was written, we have learned that Mr. Weinel's team and wagon have been found in Ogden, but no clue to the robbers has been discovered.

About \$250 of the money stolen belonged to Kaysville City, and the balance to the store. The promissory notes stolen amounted to \$7,400, but fortunately were not negotiable. The robbers wrapped up a quantity of silk handkerchiefs and neckties at the store, but failed to carry them away. They took with them a quantity of cigarettes and other articles.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, MARCH 2.

An Alleged Cure.—Cy Parker wrote recently to the *Butte Miner*: "I notice in the daily papers numerous cases of death from pneumonia. If persons who feel the symptoms of the disease coming on, such as fever with pains in the breast, etc., will take sage-brush tea plentifully it will cure any case."

Sevier Conference.—Elder Wm. Morrison wrote on Feb. 27th:

"Our 20th quarterly Conference was held on the 25th and 26th, as announced. Present were our esteemed President F. Spencer and Wm. H. Seegmiller and the Bishops of the several Wards, with good reports of better tithing payments and temple offerings."

Garden City.—We have a communication from Sister Emma Idekirk, of Garden City, Rich County. From it we learn that the people of that place have been enjoying themselves with suitable entertainments during the winter. The health of the little community is good and the associations designed for the intellectual advancement of the people are all doing well. On the 24th inst. The Bishop was the recipient of a surprise party. The letter is much too lengthy for publication.

The Proper Document.—Inasmuch as there may be some more anti-"Mormon," anti-republican, anti-truth, anti-Christian, anti-liberty, anti-common sense meetings in this city, and in view of the fact that none of the memorials nor resolutions emanating from that source have been sufficiently complete, we respectfully submit the following, which more fully covers the ground than anything the howlers have yet produced. It tells the situation so plainly that the crusaders should affix their names to it at once:

Whereas, the "Mormons" in this Territory are in overwhelming majority, and consequently fill nearly all positions of trust and emolument in the gift of the people, the affairs of Utah are equitably administered and heavy incumbrance of debt avoided, and

Whereas, this condition of affairs is not suitable to our tastes and desires, as it gives us no opportunities to steal the public moneys, which is the chief object of our crusade against the "Mormons," and

Whereas as it is necessary to use some excuse for unconstitutional legislation for the purpose of wresting the local government from the hands of the majority and placing it in the hands of a meagre minority, we exult in the wisdom that is being manifested in the selection of polygamy as the ostensible objective point of attack. Not that we think that the Mormons are a bad people. On the contrary they are sober, industrious, honest and virtuous, while all the houses of prostitution, gambling dens and most of the drinking saloons are conducted by non-Mormons, and an overwhelming proportion of the crimes committed lie at the doors of the same class. But we have at present no opportunities to put our hands into the public purse and

Whereas the hireling clergy are gnashing their teeth over the success of the Mormon religion, because their crafts are endangered, and

Whereas these preachers appear to have much influence in stirring up strife especially when they are embowed with the meek and lowly spirit of their religion, as exhibited in their demands for the crushing out of "Mormonism," if need be by the use of the gun and the sword, so mild and benevolent a voice as theirs should not be ignored.

Therefore we, your petitioners demand the passage of such legislation as will tear the Constitution to tatters,

by inflicting punishment on the "Mormons" without due process of law. We also demand that the public treasury be placed at our disposal, that we may grow fat and rich at the expense of the people who have built up and beautified this part of the Country. We also ask that the said legislation shall be of such a character as will enable us to rob the "Mormons" of their homes. If need be we would so oppress and harass the "Mormons" that they would be likely to commit some overt act that would create an excuse for wiping them out of existence by the strong arm of the government. This would give special delight to the priests, many of whom appear willing to cry, "their blood be upon us and our children after us," for thus did the hypocrites in days of old. And as in duty bound your petitioners will ever pray.

Then should follow the signatures of the crusaders.

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