

tired, and the case of appeal continued. After some remarks from the attorney the court, on a question sprung by himself, and not introduced by the attorney, said that the papers referring to a transcript of the Alderman's docket were signed by E. F. Sheets as an Alderman of Provo City. "No such judicial officer can be known in this court, as the organic act of the Territory does not provide for such an officer." He then dismissed the case.

Thus passed by a case wherein a respectable whisky vender meets the full approval of a court that sets forth that it is endeavoring to hold said court on merit. Such merit is what the community have to fear.

Joseph Boren and Jacob Harris were called, they having been bound over to their appearance on the charge of stealing U. S. Government property, at Camp Rawlins. Boren answered, but Harris failed to appear, whereupon the U. S. Attorney gave notice that he would proceed on his bonds. The court adjourned till two p. m.

BRIGHAM, 4.

David Rees, a young man of this place, took two yearling steers from this Ward not his own, and sold them. The animals were recovered by replevy. The pursuing party commenced legal proceedings against said Rees, but he compromised by paying all damages, about two hundred dollars.

There are many persons prospecting in this neighborhood, for precious metals, who report encouraging results. Box Elder Mining Company is putting forth considerable exertion to push the work in the tunnel, and shafts already being worked. Every indication in the tunnel shows that ore in bulk is near by.

No grasshoppers at present; prospects for the husbandman are bright.

ST. GEORGE, 5.

Wheat begins to head out. Strawberries are ripe. The harvest on the Muddy commenced this week; small grain was never as good before.

A rich silver lode was recently discovered near Pinto, by Kirby and Gott, of Washington. A party has gone out to prospect it.

By reliable information just received from settlements east, placer gold diggings have been discovered in the vicinity of the Buckskin mountains.

Our semi-annual Conference opens to-day. To-night there will be dramatic amusements, by the home Association.

PROVO, May 5.

Yesterday at 2 p. m. the U. S. Marshal appeared and, as per previous arrangement, paid the grand jury for their attendance thus far. The court did not convene.

To-day Court called at 10 a. m. The case of the United States against McKay and others was called; McKay and St. Ledger were in court guarded by three U. S. soldiers. Hempstead, U. S. attorney, appeared for the government, and Baskin for the defendant McKay.

The grand jury came into court; the names were called and all answered. They presented one bill of indictment and retired.

The names of the petit jury were called, and sixteen answered. At the request of Mr. Hempstead the names of the jury were placed in a box and twelve names were drawn therefrom. Mr. Baskin filed a challenge to the array of the petit jury, and the question was argued. The Court overruled the challenge and proceeded to impanel the jury. After passing on the array, the defence excused four of the jurors, which exhausted the panel. Court ordered the panel filled, and took a recess till 2 p. m.

The Court resumed at 2 p. m., and proceeded to the empanelling of a jury of twenty persons: having been summoned at a quarter past 4, the panel was filled and the jury were sworn by the clerk. The manner and form of the oath not being satisfactory, after consultation, the jury were again sworn by the clerk. Hempstead presented to the jury an indictment, and Solomon P. McCurdy, Loyd Pearce, Samuel Memmott and Samuel Cazier were duly sworn and testified for the prosecution. At half past six the court took a recess till 8 p. m.

BEAVER, May 5.

The stage arrived from Pioche, having for Salt Lake five passengers and ten bars of bullion.

News from Pioche, to the 4th, informs us that the county commissioners of Lincoln county have decided that the county seat of said county will be permanently fixed at that town.

On Wednesday morning, Billy Warnock, while on a visit, with a few others, to the "summit" shaft, and when on his way back a short distance, was fired at. He turned and fired one shot from his revolver, at the same time another shot was fired at him from summit fort, which has been held for two weeks past by an armed force. Several shots were also fired at him from the Washington shaft, which is also held by an armed force. He fell and was carried into the fort, and from there he was brought to town where he lingered, in great agony, until 1 o'clock p. m., when he expired. Sheriff Pattie and officer Blair went to the forts and arrested Al. Dollif, Jack Harris, George Harris, Dave James and James Findlay. They were admitted to bail in the sum of \$2,000 each, to appear for examination on Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

A daily mail is running from Salt Lake to Pioche.

PAROWAN, May 6.

Last evening, as Wm. C. McGregor sprang forward to stop a runaway team, he fell under the loaded wagon and broke his left jaw in two places and also dislocated the joint. His head is much bruised, but there are hopes of his speedy recovery.

Our wheat field is literally covered with men, women, children, chickens and grasshoppers. Time must tell which gets the wheat.

PROVO, 6, 2:45, p. m.

Court was called at half-past 8 p. m. yesterday. The prisoner McKay and the jury were present. Hugh White, Thos. Colwell, Edward Robison, U. S. Marshal Patrick and St. Ledger were duly sworn and testified for the prosecution. Pending the cross examination of St. Ledger, the court adjourned till 9 a. m. to-day.

Court was called at 9 a. m. to-day and admitted eight aliens to citizenship. The case against McKay was continued. Edward St. Ledger was cross examined by the defence. The prosecution arrested the defence and presented one witness, who was sworn and testified. At 11 a. m. Hempstead proceeded to address the jury. At 20 minutes to 12 Baskin proceeded to address the jury followed by Hempstead, at 1 p. m. At half-past 1 the Court committed his charge to the jury and at a quarter to 2 the jury retired and the Court took a recess till 3 p. m.

PROVO, 6th, 8 P. M.

Court was called at 3 p. m. Thos. Job was admitted a citizen.

Mr. Robertson appeared and asked that judgment by default be entered in the case of D. Firman, vs. S. F. and B. W. Driggs. The court ruled that sufficient notice had not been given the defendants to answer. Mr. Robertson asked judgment by default in the case of B. Bachman, against Wm. Wright, in assumpsit. The court rendered judgment by default.

The grand jury came into court, the names were called and nineteen were present, two of their number having been discharged. They presented one indictment.

Mr. Hempstead called up the case of Dayton against Green and others, and presented a motion that the summons and case be quashed, showing his reasons therefor. Mr. Baskin for the plaintiff, answered, and the court ruled that the summons and service be set aside.

Mr. Hempstead called up the case of the U. S. against Joseph Boren, he having been bound over in the sum of \$500 for stealing government property. On Boren being called, Mr. Hempstead said he had another indictment against Boren for receiving stolen property and proposing that his former bonds be considered sufficient for his appearance to answer. He also called the case of the U. S. against Wm. Lawrence, alias Larry, for stealing government property. Upon being arraigned they each pleaded not guilty, although the indictments were not read to them, nor their attorney furnished with a copy.

Mr. Robertson, for the defendant, proposed to furnish bail for the appearance of Larry, which was set at \$500, and in default he was committed to the custody of the U. S. Marshal, until sufficient securities be furnished. Grand jury came into court, all present, and the Judge asked if they had any report to make. Major Hempstead said that the grand jury had got through with all the business before them. They had been engaged on U. S. business until last night, and had been attending to Territorial business to-day. The Judge thanked the jury for their promptness, and stated it was the intention to make the district very pleasant for good people and very unpleasant for bad people. He ordered the Marshal to pay them for another day, and thanking them he discharged the grand jury until the 17th day of October next.

At ten minutes past five the petit jury came into court, all present, and James Taylor, foreman, presented the verdict against McKay, of "guilty of robbing the U. S. mail." On being questioned by the Judge, the jury said it was their verdict that he was guilty of robbing the U. S. mail, without putting the carrier in bodily fear. The regular petit jury were then discharged until Oct. 17, 1871, with the thanks of the court. The Judge sentenced McKay to five years' imprisonment in the penitentiary of this Territory, or some other safe place. Mr. Baskin asked that McKay be admitted to bail for his appearance before the Supreme Court, on appeal on the exceptions he had taken. The court held the matter under advisement.

Major Hempstead asked that Edward St. Ledger be admitted to bail on his own personal recognizance, in the sum of \$5,000, for his appearance before this court at the next regular term, which was granted by the court, whereupon St. Ledger appeared and gave such recognizance. The court adjourned till Oct. 17th, next, at 10 a. m.

ST. GEORGE, 8.

The Conference of the Southern mission closed last evening. There was a large attendance from the surrounding settlements. Countless numbers of grasshoppers are destroying the wheat and early crops at Harrisburg and Leeds.

SUMMONSES.—We are now prepared to supply Justices of the Peace with Blank forms of summonses. Other Blank forms also for sale at this Office.

[SPECIAL TO THE DESERET NEWS.]

By Telegraph.

GENERAL.

NEW YORK, 4.—A dispatch from Paris last night confirms the statement that Issy has been re-occupied by the Communists. Torpedoes are placed near the Southern forts; on a trial of them five houses were blown into the air. Batteries will be placed at the menaced points of the ramparts. The rails for the purpose will be laid in forty-eight hours.

General Rossel forbids all communication with the enemy. No flag of truce will be attended to, and firing will go on as usual.

The Versailles are still investing actively and there will be a decisive action soon. A balloon, with letters, left the hotel de Ville to-day. A great meeting of all the republican societies is called for Sunday in the Court-yard of the Louvre; Ledru Rollin will preside.

It is reported that Cluseret will be tried for complicity with the Prussians. Dombrowski will be a member of the court martial.

Seals have been placed upon the officers of several Notaries Public, by order of the Commune.

A special correspondent with the Darien surveying expedition sends, under date of April 25, full details regarding their operations; although the survey of the Napipe route is not reported favorably, it is hoped it will still be practicable. It will undoubtedly be found ultimately that the distance from Cupica Bay to Atrato, along the bends of the Napipe River is sixty-nine and a half miles in a straight line, and that twenty miles from Atrato, the Napipe river flows through the mountainous country for about thirteen miles from the foot of the divide; and is supplied from the Doguado river as a tributary.

It is proposed to make thirteen locks from Doguado, eighteen miles from Atrato to the divide, then tunnel through and descend to the Pacific by nine locks. The survey will be completed in twenty seven days. No intelligence has been received from the explorers up to the present. It is certain they met the party following the Parouicheta river.

The Tribune's Washington special dispatch says, this morning, there is good authority for the report that the President will very soon, by proclamation or otherwise, take active measures for the enforcement of the Ku Klux law passed during the last session of Congress; the only circumstance which will be likely to cause delay being the absence of the Secretary of War. The President remarked, since his return from the West, that he should not go to California until he had initiated measures in accordance with the provisions of that law, for the protection of the South.

The same correspondent also telegraphs that many efforts have been made, it is alleged, by the joint high commissioners to prejudice the treaty beforehand, in the minds of the people, and to create false impressions as to its contents. The most noticeable of these efforts is that which seeks to convey the belief that the American Commissioners have allowed the claims of British subjects to be put down as a set-off to the Alabama claims, and allowed them to enter into the bases of settlement, to the amount of about thirty millions of dollars.

It is also stated, in the public prints, that the English Commissioners have presented claims to be considered for slaves owned by English subjects and freed by the United States Government during the war. As the British laws make the holding of slaves by British subjects felony, the absurdity of this report is apparent. There is also authority for the statement that all reports regarding the counter claims of England are false and malicious.

NIAGARA.—The Ontario life boat, belonging to Fort Niagara, got adrift during a gale, this morning, and a boat manned by six sailors and Lieuts. Lily Ashbury and J. C. Morris, started in pursuit, but the boat capsized and all were lost.

A cable dispatch to the World from Versailles says, until now, Thiers has depended upon the co-operation of a party inside of Paris, who promised to rise up against the Commune at any moment. Thiers gave the signal for the movement, which was to have been made on Tuesday night, but their courage failed at the last moment and nothing was done.

Negotiations are now progressing for an armistice to effect a compromise, and

should these fail Marshal McMahon will carry the city by storm.

The morning papers have the following: A curious case came up yesterday afternoon before Justice Ledwith, in the Essex market police court. It was an application for the issue of a warrant for the arrest of James H. Blood, alias Dr. J. H. Harvey, of the firm of Woodhull, Claflin & Co. The application was made by Annie Claflin, mother of Mrs. Woodhull. Mrs. Claflin says in her affidavit that Blood, otherwise known as Dr. J. H. Harvey, occupied the same bed with her daughter Victoria, and that said Blood has been in her family for the past six years; and that since his entrance into her family he has made every effort to corrupt it, and has corrupted not only her daughter Victoria but, through his machinations and intrigues, has excited her another daughter Tennessee, and entirely weaned them from deponent; and deponent says that during the time he resided in said house she had often heard said Blood insist that her daughter Tennessee should make efforts to secure the attentions of different married gentlemen in order that said Blood and said Victoria and Tennessee might combine to make money out of such persons; and deponent says that she has known such married gentlemen who have been taken in and blackmailed in said house. She had often heard Blood, who is receiver of all monies that come into possession of the firm of Woodhull, Claflin & Co., say that no books of any account have been kept by said firm until very recently, and that, in case any trouble should arise between the dealers with said firm and themselves, a great trouble would come upon said firm, and that Broad Street would be too hot for them. She further says she believes Blood is endeavoring to ruin her daughters, especially Tennessee; and that, as he has threatened her life, she does not feel safe from Blood, and prays that he may be arrested and dealt with according to law. The affidavit is supported by others and signed by Mr. and Mrs. Sparr, daughter and son-in-law of Mrs. Claflin. Mrs. Woodhull indignantly denies these assertions, and says it is merely an attempt to levy blackmail, and that her mother is old and weak-minded, and has been induced, by some means, to make the affidavit, which is composed of black and infamous lies.

Among the awards of the board of Indian Commissioners, was one to John Hughes, Colorado, for 1,109,500 pounds of beef. WASHINGTON, 6.—The President left Washington this morning for Philadelphia. W. W. Corcoran passed a somewhat comfortable night, but his condition is considered critical by physicians. A special Versailles dispatch says Jules Favre and Gertier, minister of finance, started to meet Bismarck at Frankfurt. It is thought the cause of the meeting is money matters. The truth is, the German authorities telegraphed that if the Versailles do not enter Paris by Monday, the Prussians will on Tuesday. Favre hopes to gain an extension of time, but is unlikely to succeed. It is probable the Prussians will bring back the Empire if they enter. Favre and Simon are likely to resign shortly in consequence of dissensions in the Assembly.

There was no firing to-day, but it will begin from Montreuil to-morrow. It is believed a grand attack will be made on Sunday night. The troops are in excellent condition.

Moulin Saquet was taken by stratagem. A sergeant dressed in a blouse, pretending to be a drunken national, cut down the sentry and before there was time to give the alarm, the rest rushed in. Nearly one thousand prisoners were taken yesterday.

A Paris correspondent telegraphed last night that he had met General Rossel, who complained of the erroneous statements published about him. He denied that he demanded a commission from Thiers and was refused; there was not a word of truth in it. Since the capitulation of Paris, the ties binding him with the army had been broken, and he remained at his post simply to finish the work in hand. For a long time past his connections have been antagonistic to all the social organizations of old France, which has just succumbed in such a cowardly manner. There is great consternation, I observe, in the Quarter des Gobelins to-day, respecting three battalions captured at Moulin Saquet, who all belong to that quarter. The women gathered in crowds to enquire for their husbands and friends.

The sitting of the Commune was stormy yesterday. The chief of staff of the flotilla has been arrested on a charge of