

**Returned.**—Elders Junius F. Wells and M. H. Hardy, who for six weeks have been traveling through Southern Utah, organizing the various stakes in the cause of mutual improvement, returned home last evening. The entire Territory is now thoroughly organized.

**Making Preparations.**—A large number of drain and irrigating ditches and canals are being cut through the fields surrounding this city. Active preparations are apparently being made for the reclamation of numerous tracts of marsh and sterile lands, during the coming season.

**Case Postponed.**—The case of Parsons *alias* Hubbard, charged with cattle stealing, which was in progress before Judge Pyper yesterday afternoon, was continued until the 26th inst. The prosecuting witness was examined yesterday and gave testimony directly and strongly. The accused man obtained the continuance for the purpose of bringing witnesses for his defense from Lest Creek.

**Seventeenth District School.**—To-day, we visited the 17th District school, and were well pleased to find it in a flourishing condition. The school room is one of the finest in the city, well supplied with the necessary furniture and appurtenances. About 90 pupils are enrolled, equally divided into the two departments, respectively presided over by Misses Keetie Heywood and Vinnie Clayton. These ladies manifest a marked ability in the government of their pupils, as well as the tact requisite to the labor of instilling the principles of education into their minds. To-day closed the sixth week of the present term, and the prospects are favorable for the school's continued success.

**Deseret Museum.**—The Annual Report of the Patent Office for 1877 is received. An oriental manuscript, presented by Dr. Bredemeyer of this city, has been added to the collection of curiosities, by favor of A. M. Musser, Esq. The collection of medicinal herbs, exhibited by Mr. W. R. Atkins, at the late Territorial Fair, has been added to the cabinets of the Museum. The former exhibition of materia medica, at the Fair held in the 13th Ward, by Joseph E. Johnson, Esq., of St. George, consisting of the local flora of that neighborhood, with specimens of extracts and prepared under the direction of that gentleman, from south Utah herbs, will enable the curator to make a valuable and instructive exhibition of our medical flora and its uses.

**Third District Court.**—Proceedings in the District Court, yesterday afternoon, Chief Justice Schaeffer presiding.

In the matter of Thomas W. Robinson vs. C. Loveland, the writ of *habeas corpus* returned and applicant discharged from custody.

S. Mattee vs. B. C. and C. F. R. R. Co.; continued for the term.

Court adjourned until this morning, at 9:30 o'clock.

This morning in the case of W. G. Sprouse vs. John Tanner et al.; McKean and Son withdraw as attorneys for plaintiff.

First National Bank of Omaha vs. Flagstaff Silver Mining Co.; trial by court; judgment for plaintiff as prayed for, \$1,057.50.

E. W. Wilson vs. J. W. Clampt Co.; trial by court; judgment for plaintiff as prayed.

**Dramatic Treat.**—On Wednesday next, as has been announced, Miss Susie Spencer will take a hit at the Salt Lake Theatre. In a view to make the performance both enjoyable and profitable, a serious programme is being prepared. A sparkling comedy, new Utah Lake Theatre-goers, entitled "The Little Rebel," will be played, with our little benefactor in the title role. The list of performers and participants include Messrs. W. T. Harris, John S. Day, J. K. Ferguson, O. F. Wey, Ed. H. Felt, Julian Cla. W. W. McIntosh, the Azquartette, Mrs. Louise Harris, and other favorites. In addition the comedy, rare gems of mused recitation will be presented.

We the public will evince their recitation of Miss Spencer's form, efforts, by crowding the house the night of her benefit.

**Petty Thieves.**—A very large amount of petty thieving has been going on in this city for some time. Scarcely a day passes

but that we hear of new instances of the loss of property by theft. Usually the persons who thus prey upon the honest gains of their fellow-men, choose the cover of darkness for their evil deeds. But occasionally wagons which have been stationed in different parts of the city while their owners were away, in broad daylight, have been robbed of harness, bed clothing, grain, sacks of provisions, overcoats, &c. The people who suffer the loss of their means in this way, sometimes rush to the police and ask that the thieves be detected and punished, but when required to furnish some clue which might lead to the discovery of the guilty parties, are utterly unable to comply. The only remedy apparently is to guard closely exposed property, to watch strictly suspicious characters, and to give every thief, when caught, such a lesson as will prove salutary, both in his individual case and as an example to his fellows.

**Discourteous.**—During the days when people from the country visit this city for the purpose of marketing, etc., a great many teams are allowed to stand about the streets, while their owners are engaged in business. Now, this is all well enough if carried only to a reasonable extent, but otherwise it may result in great inconvenience to the public. For instance, our country friends, with a laudable endeavor to expedite their own business, station their vehicles and animals in close proximity to the drinking troughs, so wisely provided by the city for the benefit of the general public. The result is that, inasmuch as so many visitors are of the same mind, the streets in those particular neighborhoods become so crowded that it is sometimes difficult for wagons or carriages to pass; while many drivers, who have approached with the intention of allowing animals to quench their thirst, are obliged to turn away disappointed.

To persons desirous of leaving their teams for any length of time in public thoroughfares, we would say that the streets of Salt Lake are numerous, are broad and long, and there is certainly no excuse for such discourtesy as to surround the drinking troughs, to the inconvenience of scores of teamsters; or to block up frequently-trodden foot paths to the delay of hundreds of pedestrians.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY, OCT. 19,

**In Copenhagen.**—Six of the eight brethren who left this city early in September, to fill missions in Scandinavia, arrived at Copenhagen on September 24th, all in good health. The other two remained in Liverpool for a few days.

**Rarus Coming.**—The Salt Lake lovers of fine horses and good speed are shortly to be gratified by the appearance here of "Rarus," the celebrated trotter from the East. Mr. Splan, the owner of Rarus, will probably reach this city, with a number of fine horses, about the last of this month. The managers of the Salt Lake Driving Park Association have been successful in obtaining from him a promise to trot his horse on Agricultural Park track, and to beat the best time that has ever been made here—2:21½ by "Goldsmith Maid."

**Third District Court.**—Proceedings in the District Court yesterday afternoon, Chief Justice Schaeffer presiding.

John S. Hauke vs. Chas. Crismon et al.; M. K. Kaighn enters an appearance as plaintiff's attorney.

James Hughes vs. John Tanner et al.; jury trial; case heard and jury return a verdict for the defendants. Defendant George Taylor having made default, judgment was entered against him.

Court adjourned till this morning at 9:30 o'clock.

To-day, in the case of Henry Wadsworth, trustee, vs. R. C. Chambers; trial by jury still in progress.

**Quarterly Conference.**—Last Thursday, to the lady citizens of Farmington, was a day of interest and enjoyment. In the forenoon, at 10 o'clock, the quarterly conference of the ladies relief societies of Davis Stake, convened at the meeting-house, every branch represented.

At 2 p.m. the Y. L. M. I. A. of the Stake held their quarterly conference. There were present at both sessions, from Salt Lake, the following ladies: Sisters M. I.

Horne, E. S. Taylor, and S. M. Heywood, who, with others from the various branches in the Stake, addressed the assembly in a series of remarks, interesting and instructive. It is described by those who attended as one of the happiest occasions of the kind that Farmington has ever seen.

**Fire.**—Between twelve and one o'clock last night, a fire broke out in the works of the Ontario Silver Mine, Parley's Park. It originated in the room containing the fire pump near the oil room, and from there spread rapidly. At the present time, though full particulars have not been obtained, it is known that all the buildings covering and in the immediate vicinity of the mine are either destroyed or in flames. Large piles of lumber are also on fire, and will probably burn until entirely consumed, as the heat is so intense that the miners are unable to make any efficient effort for the suppression of the flames.

We earnestly hope that the ravages of the fire may not be so serious as to cause any permanent cessation of work in the Ontario—the queen of Utah's mines.

**Juvenile Instructor.**—Number 20 of this valuable periodical is out, and contains a large amount of unusually interesting matter. The illustrated articles are "Jonah Preaching to the people of Nineveh," and "How a Fly Walks on the Ceiling." The biography of the Prophet Joseph and communications on "The Gospel Principles," and "Travels in India," are continued. "Editorial Thoughts" are well timed, and the following subjects, in addition to those mentioned are pleasantly treated: "Start a Library," "Transient Troubles," "Elementary Groups," "A Methodist Revival," "The Mexicans," "Capturing Sea Lions," "How Birds Fly," "A Sunken City," and "Edison and Electricity." An original song, with music, and a poetical charade also appear.

Parents, get the paper for your children; and, besides giving them pleasure thereby, confer upon them a lasting benefit.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY, OCT. 21.

#### PRIESTHOOD MEETING.

A meeting of the Priesthood of the Salt Lake Stake of Zion will be held in the Fourteenth Ward Assembly Rooms, on Saturday, Nov. 2d, at 11 a.m.

A full representation of the Priesthood of all the Wards of the Stake is requested.

ANGUS M. CANNON,  
DAVID O. CALDER,  
JOSEPH E. TAYLOR,  
Presidency of the Stake.

**Ontario Fire.**—The fire at the Ontario mine was quite as serious as was supposed on Saturday. In addition to the buildings, lumber, timbers, and machinery, there were destroyed about 300 tons of coal, 1,000 cords of firewood, and two tons of candles. The mine is filling with water, owing to the fact that the pumps cannot be used. The entire loss is not closely estimated, but will certainly reach between \$100,000 and \$200,000.

**Excellent Work.**—Mr. John Hafen, a young Utah artist possessing considerable genius, to-day showed us an excellent piece of work done by himself—a portrait in oil of Governor George W. Emery. The artistic taste and skill of the young painter are strongly manifested in this picture of his excellency. We congratulate Mr. Hafen on his advancement in the glorious art; and hope that he may be patronized by the people here.

**Sunday School Jubilee.**—The 18th Ward meeting house, last evening, was filled to overflowing, with the members of the Sabbath school, and their parents and friends who convened to witness their jubilee. The affair was a success generally, the children acquitting themselves to the satisfaction of all who attended. It is the intention to perpetuate the system of quarterly jubilees, in the 18th Ward Sunday school, and we trust the excellent plan will be supported by all who are interested in the progress of that important cause—the proper education of the young.

**Another.**—This time it is Ben. Rich upon whom certain responsibilities are fixed. Ben is a parent and the fact is a parent to all who see him. The new "issue" of treasury notes was made last evening, is of the male gender, and bears upon its baby brow the imprint of its delighted pa. Junction.

If the delighted pa is as Rich in happiness as our northern cotem. is in puns, no wonder it should have Ben pleased to credit the sun and air with the paternal condition. These are always beneficial. Long life of prosperity and usefulness.

**Condolence.**—We deeply sympathize with Brother William Clayton, and the family of his wife Augusta, in the sad bereavement they have been called to sustain, in the death of their son Walter Alfred, who died from the effects of an abscess on the brain, yesterday afternoon, about 15 minutes after four o'clock. Deceased was a young man of energy, faithfulness and exemplary habits, and his untimely departure will be regretted by a host of friends. This is the second death in Brother Clayton's family within a week. May God comfort the hearts of those who mourn.

**Terrible Accident.**—We learn by communication from Little Cottonwood Cañon, that on Wednesday the 16th inst., Brother Daniel Crompt, of Spanish Fork, while working in the Temple quarry, had both legs broken by a boulder weighing about 400 lbs., rolling down the hill upon him, a distance of 25 feet. No blame can be attached to any one; Superintendent Livingston has a continued watch to prevent such casualties, but the recent storms have so loosened the earth that among the mountains these perils are imminent. The patient was attended by Dr. Richards, of Salt Lake City.

**Quarterly Conference.**—At the quarterly conference of the Weber Stake of Zion, which convened in the Ogden Tabernacle on Saturday morning, there were present—Elders F. D. Richards and George Q. Cannon, of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, besides the local authorities. On Saturday, reports were received from the bishops of the various wards throughout the county, and from the Improvement Associations; and the authorities were presented and sustained.

Yesterday morning the congregation was addressed by Elder Geo. Q. Cannon, and in the afternoon by Elders D. M. Stuart, D. H. Peery, C. F. Middleton, and George Q. Cannon. Elder F. D. Richards, though present at the meetings, was unable to speak, owing to a severe cold which he had contracted. President John Taylor had expected to be present yesterday, but was unable to attend owing to circumstances.

**An Illustrated Paradox.**—It has been said that lazy people often work the hardest. We never saw this better exemplified than on the street a day or two ago. A horseman who had dropped his hat, was endeavoring to recover its possession without the trouble of getting down from his seat. He spurred his impatient charger till the coveted article was in easy reach, but as he leaned over and his finger tips grazed the brim of the forehead, the horse moved away. Again the rider essayed his purpose, again the restive steed dashed his hopes beside the fallen hat, but with a perseverance only equalled by Timour the Tartar, or the hero of Banneckburn, our later hero kept on reining and ducking and fishing and failing. At last he got tired of emulating the ant and the spider, and alighting from his innocently mischievous equine, the dauntless rider secured his truant chapeau, and rode swiftly away, much to the regret of the large and fashionable audience which had been witnessing the circus for the last ten minutes.

**Tabernacle Meeting.**—The weather was chilly yesterday, but, notwithstanding, a fair audience assembled at the Tabernacle, in the afternoon. Elder Orson Pratt occupied the time, in an interesting discourse, the subject of which was the Holy Ghost, its nature, how to acquire and retain it. There was but one way, obedience to the first principles of the gospel, viz: faith, repentance and baptism, and the living of a good life afterward. Cornelius, for a wise purpose, was so favored as to receive the Holy Ghost before baptism, but that was

no argument against the necessity of baptism, for had he not been baptized, the Holy Ghost would not have remained with him. The gift of this spirit, was attended with power, as illustrated in the case of Cornelius and his family, who spake with tongues and prophesied. On the day of Pentecost, the Apostle Peter promised the Holy Ghost to all who repented and were baptized for the remission of their sins. The promise had been repeated in our day. God was no respecter of persons. No matter the race, age, sex or condition, all who came through the straight and narrow way were entitled to, and should receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. This was the everlasting and unchangeable Gospel.

**Police Court.**—Nephi Vaughan was fined in the sum of \$50 for vagrancy.

Sadie Wright was fined \$99 for stealing a baby carriage. She will probably be under the care of the city officials for the following 99 days.

The case of this young girl is a serious one. She has been before the police court a number of times on various charges, but has been treated leniently because of her youth, and because of the fair promises made by herself and her parents in her behalf. On each occasion the charge has been sustained against the culprit; both by the testimony of witnesses and her own confession; but, though the officers have felt to discharge their duties properly they have experienced considerable reluctance in taking severe measures. When she was arrested a few weeks since, for stealing clothing, she was released on the assurance from her parents that she would thereafter be kept out of the streets and trained in better ways. Instead, however, she was allowed her usual freedom, and at the first opportunity, of course, she resorted to her inevitable practice of thieving. Under the present sentence from the court, she will have the benefit of a little rigorous treatment; and, though she will necessarily be kept in the city jail during the time of her confinement, she will be given an opportunity to reform. Better have her in prison than running to depravity in the streets.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL JUBILEE AT TOOELE.

On Saturday and Sunday last, 19th and 20th instant, a very interesting and profitable Stake Jubilee was held in Tooele City meeting house, where the superintendents, teachers and many of the children from Grantsville, Lakeview, E. T. City, and St. John's, etc., assembled with the Tooele Sunday School. The morning and afternoon sessions were occupied by the children in the usual exercises on such occasions, consisting of songs, recitations, choir singing, and chanting of the Articles of Faith and Restoration of the Gospel; with organ and instrumental accompaniments by Professor Roydon and able assistants, with a choir of young ladies, whose melodious voices infused a thrill of delight.

Short addresses, on familiar and reformatory subjects, were interspersed by Assistant General Superintendent G. Goddard and Superintendent Wm. Willes, who attended in their official capacity as the representatives of the Deseret Sunday School Union. Stake President, F. M. Lyman, and Counselor Ure, with bishops Tuttle, Martin, and Burrage (as well as Bishop Thompson of Scipio, Millard County) were in attendance. Superintendent George Adkins, conducted the proceedings in his usual urbane manner.

On Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, the Tooele Sunday school convened and went through a very pleasing programme, in which young and old bore a part. Our spirited young brother, Henry Haines, delivered a recitation depicting the evils of intemperance.

The remainder of the day was occupied in holding meetings in the afternoon and evening, in which the brethren above named and Patriarch Rowberry and Elder Micklejohn took part, concluding by feeling remarks from Bishop Thompson and President Lyman. It was a time long to be remembered by all present.

Professor Cox favored us with a cornet solo, and the presence and sweet strains of the Tooele Brass Band.

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