

## Local and Other Matters.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY, JAN. 23.

**In Canada.**—Elder J. J. Thayne, now on a mission, is laboring in and around Rookton, Ontario, Canada, where the people are manifesting a good deal of interest in the Gospel.

**Benefits.**—Mr. John S. Lindsay, the popular actor of this city, who is about to leave to fill an engagement at Denver, is to have a complimentary benefit at the Theatre some time during the present week. Manager Harris also is to be benefited. We hope they will each have a full house.

**A Veteran.**—The funeral services of Elder Charles Dutton Miller, a veteran of the Church, took place at Provo on Wednesday last. He was a native of Manchester, England, and was baptized into the church in that country, in 1839. His whole career was filled up with usefulness, and he went down to his rest after performing a creditable life-work.

**Jubilee.**—Yesterday morning a Jubilee was held in the 11th Ward schoolhouse by the combined Sunday schools of the 11th and 12th Wards. The exercises consisted of singing, answering questions from the life of the Prophet Joseph Smith, and reciting the Articles of Faith of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, each school giving the answers separately. A feature of the occasion was the reciting from memory by Minnie Moulton, six years old, of the "Articles of Faith."

Remarks were made by Brothers Hoddard, Willis and Evans. The singing by the combined choirs of the two wards was excellent.

**Drowned in Jordan.**—Constable Samuel Bateman, of West Jordan, sends us the following, under date of the 26th inst:

At about noon to-day, while two of my sons were out hunting ducks up the river, about one and a half miles above Gardner's mill, they discovered the body of a man floating in the river. The elder boy pulled it to the bank to prevent it from floating down, while the younger one and another small boy came home to inform me of it. I immediately went over and saw Justice B. L. Cutler; he not being well enough to go to where the body lay, I therefore, with Brother John A. Egbert and a number of others, went up with a spring wagon, took the body from the river, and brought it down to the Social Hall, near the Justices' residence, and there washed and dressed the body.

Wm. Cooper identified the body as that of an Italian, of Bingham, who went by the name of Dominic Barassa. He was about 54 years of age; had on a dark coat and vest, light pants and a white shirt. We found on his person a purse, containing 75 cents in silver and a small key. We also found a pocket knife, a watch key, pipe, tobacco and matches.

An inquest was held in the Social Hall, before Justice B. L. Cutler, at 6 o'clock this evening, and from the testimony given the following verdict was rendered:

"After examining the body, and finding nothing but a slight bruise over the right eye, we do say that he came to his death by being drowned in the Jordan River."

F. A. COOPER,  
J. A. ELLERT,  
GEORGE WRIGHT,  
Jurors."

**Business of the Church.**—At the Bishops' meeting on Thursday evening, Jan. 24th, President John Taylor gave some valuable instruction and information in relation to the priesthood and the duties pertaining to it and its various offices. He spoke of the two priesthoods, the Melchisedec and the Aaronic, the latter being an appendage to the former, the first comprehending and presiding over the other.

The leading point of the remarks of President Taylor was in his explanation of a clear, comprehensive and systematic method of keeping and rendering the accounts of the church. He had laid his views before the council of the Twelve apostles, who unanimously coincided with him.

Bishop Hunter, being the Presiding Bishop of the Church, with his counselors presides over all the the B. The Church being

now very extensive, comprising 20 different Stakes, in which are 240 Bishops, renders it impracticable for the whole business to be conducted in its details under the immediate direction of the Presiding Bishop and his Counselors. This causes the question to arise as to who shall attend to tithing and other business in the several Stakes. Bishop Hunter being unable to give it personal supervision, it can be done by his having an authorized agent in each of the Stakes of Zion, that agent to be a Bishop, whose duty will not be to preside over the other Bishops of the Stake, but to make himself familiar with the Church books, accounts and business, and make reports or schedules at stated periods. A copy of this report he will forward to Bishop Hunter and another he will submit to the President of the Stake, and it will be the duty of the latter, with his Counselors, to carefully examine and check the same, correcting any errors or wrongs that may exist. This is the duty of the President of the Stake, as he presides over all the Bishops in the Stake by virtue of his office. After examining, and, when necessary, correcting the report he will forward a duplicate to the Trustee-in-Trust. Bishop Hunter will then be able to render a report of the business of the temporal department of this Church to the Trustee-in-Trust, who will also have, as before explained, reports from the Presidents of Stakes. By this method each priesthood, the Melchisedec and Aaronic, will pursue its particular direct line, the one not interfering with the other, further than is legitimate and in order, and connect finally at one point, the head, the Trustee-in-Trust, who presides over both departments.

By this method the clerk of the Trustee-in-Trust will be able to meet with Bishop Hunter's clerk and a system of balances arranged that will enable the Trustee-in-Trust to lay before the whole Church a statement of the business. It will not be practicable to make a full and complete report oftener than once a year, and an approximate one in the interim. The Trustee-in-Trust purposes submitting his reports to an auditing committee.

Bishop Hunter, who had met with the Council of the Twelve, with whom he is in full accord in those matters, has submitted the names of some persons he had suggested for Bishops to act as his agents in some of the Stakes, some of whom have been approved.

As Bishop Hunter and his Counselors reside in and are most of their time in this Stake, they will be able to personally attend to the business pertaining to it, in their department, and consequently will need no agent here.

In the course of his remarks President Taylor showed, with great clearness, that there was no conflict between this system and anything contained in the Book of Doctrine and Covenants. The Church was growing and extending, and the priesthood, in its operations had to enlarge the methods of conducting its affairs accordingly. If every man seeks to learn his duty and to do it in his calling and office, having the Spirit of God to influence and direct him, no conflict will arise, and the Kingdom of God will develop and advance step by step and fill the high position it is destined to assume.

## Land Patents.

U. S. LAND OFFICE,  
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH,  
January 28, 1878.

The following named Patents have been received and are now on file in this office, and will be delivered upon surrender of the proper receipts, to wit:

## Townsite Entries.

No. 1176 Scipio  
1196 Salem

## Cash Entries.

358 Cadwalader Owens  
383 Curtis E Stoddard  
425 Robert Winter  
712 John F. Allen  
753 Andrew Christensen  
1028 Henry Baur  
1111 Samuel Fletcher  
1197 Almon O Williams  
1209 Joseph Truly  
1311 Orrin P Rockwell  
1376 Dewitt C Reed  
1490 Solomon A Wixom

Military Bounty Land Warrants.  
Conrad Naile  
William Cufley

Washburn Chipman  
John Jones  
Calvin Miles

## Agricultural College Scrip Entries.

325 Neils Christensen  
829 John Monson  
841 Peter Yorgensen  
843 John Conrad  
963 Ira N Hinckley  
973 John Henderson  
1223 Hans P Madison

## Homestead Entries.

412 Delight Decker  
570 James Garner  
589 Alexander Hunsacker  
611 Richard Sessions  
612 Daniel A Sessions  
613 William Yeates  
627 James Vincent  
628 Levi E Riter  
630 Andru E Nilson  
637 Robert Cowan  
639 Redick R Allred  
643 John Taylor  
654 John Buxton  
656 Thaddeus Huff  
658 Mark Bigler  
661 Wm Dykes  
662 James Duke  
666 George W Perkins  
671 John Shelton  
673 Conrad Abegglen  
675 Ulrich Abegglen  
676 Joseph Moulton  
677 Lars J Allen  
681 Harriet Tibbals  
682 Catherine Babcock  
693 Joseph Smith Redford  
694 William P Reynolds  
695 Charles Dolton  
696 John Evans  
698 Henry Hughes  
699 Andrew Bowman  
701 Thomas Gordon  
702 Jeremiah Hatch  
703 John Reidhead  
705 Samuel Cluff  
707 Niels Peter Madsen  
708 Hyrum Cluff  
709 Edward P Thomas  
710 Elias Lewis  
711 Peter Bell  
712 Evan Evenson  
713 John Hayes  
714 William Bone  
715 Andrew W Johnson  
716 Augustin Stone  
717 Thomas Job  
718 Isaac Farley  
719 Bartholomew Malan  
720 Warren E Davis  
721 Isaac H Loosel  
722 Richard Jones  
724 Christiana Watkins  
725 Paul Coates  
726 Robert Hazen  
728 William Potter  
729 John G. Morgan  
730 James S Beddes  
731 Thomas Rogers  
732 Simon F Halverson  
733 James Ritchie  
734 George Sinner  
735 George Prior  
736 Isaac Jones  
738 Jos W Steele  
739 George Welch  
740 William Hadley  
741 Jane Colvin  
742 Francis Oliver  
743 Wm M Bozack  
744 Charles W Leah  
745 Joseph H Evans  
746 Samuel J Campbell  
747 Thomas Fisher  
748 Wm H Clifford  
750 Suel Lamb  
751 John Balls  
752 Jens Christensen  
753 Christian Jensen  
754 Morten Rasmussen  
756 Adolph Fredrickson  
757 Christian Sorensen  
758 Christian W. Christiansen  
759 Mads Jensen  
760 Seeley Owen  
761 John N Larson  
762 Ellis Salisbury  
763 John C Dewey  
764 Jens Peter Jensen  
765 Joseph Gray  
766 Canute Lorenson  
767 William J Thomas  
768 John Johnson  
770 James Stewart, Jr  
771 James Stewart, Sen  
772 David Rees  
773 Joseph W Thatcher  
774 John Barton  
775 Soren Jacobsen  
776 Jesse Jesson  
777 John Tidwell  
778 Niels Johansen  
779 Carat C Rowe  
780 Jens O Nielsen  
781 Evan G Morgan  
782 William Reynolds.

## BARBOUR LEWIS,

Register.

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

## COUNCIL.

Jan. 26.

Councilor Raleigh presented (C. F. 12) a "bill to amend an act to regulate procedure in civil cases,"

which was read, and on motion of Councilor S. S. Smith, referred to the committee on judiciary, with authority, if they deem it expedient, to print 75 copies.

Councilor Snow presented petition of James Lewis and 510 other citizens of Kane County, asking that the county seat of said county be removed from Toquerville to Kanab, which was read and, on motion of Councilor Cluff, was referred to the committee on counties.

Mr. Farr reported amendments to (C. F. 2), a bill "To limit the time within which criminal actions may be commenced," which were read and accepted.

Mr. Murdock presented (H. F. 10), "A bill for an act to repeal section 388, title 9, compiled laws of Utah." Read first time and referred to the committee on judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Carrington, C. F. No. 2 was read the second time.

On motion of Mr. Hatch, C. F. No. 2 was read the third time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Carrington, C. F. No. 2 was passed and ordered sent to the Council for their concurrence in the amendments.

## COUNCIL.

January 28.

Council met pursuant to adjournment.

Roll call, quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

A communication was received from the House, announcing that (C. F. 2), "A bill to limit the time for commencing criminal actions, etc." had passed the House amended, and asking concurrence in the amendments.

Councilor Cluff presented (C. F. 13), "A bill to provide for special elections, to fill vacancies caused by death, etc." was read and referred to the committee on elections, with authority to print the same.

Councilor Thatcher presented (C. F. 14), "A bill to amend an act to incorporate Logan City, approved Jan. 17, 1866," read and referred to the committee on municipal corporations and townships.

## HOUSE.

Jan. 28th, 2 p. m.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Roll call, quorum present.

Benediction by the chaplain.

Mr. Birch presented a petition from Ashton Nebeker for payment of \$81 for certificate of witness fees disallowed by auditor. Read and on motion of Mr. Taylor, referred to committee on claims, etc.

The financial reports of Salt Lake and Morgan Counties, for the year 1876-7 presented and referred.

The report of the recorder of marks and brands, for 1876-7 received, read and reported to committee on claims, etc.

The report of auditor of public accounts concerning clause of fee bill regarding the pay of district clerks in Territorial cases, read and on motion of Mr. Taylor, referred to the special committee on investigation of expenses of courts.

Mr. Rockwood reported the following:

Committee Room, City Hall,  
Salt Lake City,  
January 18th, 1878.

Mr. Speaker and Members of the House:

Your committee on claims and appropriations, to whom was referred the petition of J. R. Wilkins, Clerk of the Second Judicial District Court, praying for an appropriation to enable him to purchase a set of record books for said court, have considered the subject, and respectfully recommend that it be referred to the committee on revenue, with instruction to bring in a bill making it the duty of the auditor to purchase the necessary record books and other necessities for the Clerk of the Second District Court.

A. P. ROCKWOOD,

Chairman.

Referred to committee on revenue with instructions.

Mr. Farr presented a petition from citizens of Ogden protesting against the removal of the boundaries of said city.

On motion of Mr. Farr referred to the committee on municipal corporations, &c.

Mr. Milner presented a petition from C. D. Johnson et al, for an act

amendatory and supplementary to the charter of Springville City. On motion of Mr. Milner referred to the committee on municipal incorporations, &c., without reading.

On motion of Mr. Milner H. F. No. 2 was taken up and read by sections.

## BY TELEGRAPH

## FOREIGN.

LONDON, 23.

The great trial of Russian Nihilists, which commenced at St. Petersburg on the 30th of last October, has ended. Of the one hundred and nine prisoners accused, actual offence was proved only against twenty. The remaining 89 were liberated on bail. The prisoners included men and women and belonged to various classes, and resided in different portions of the empire. A number of them belonged to the nobles. A great many witnesses were examined and the leading counsel of Moscow and St. Petersburg appeared for the defense.

CONSTANTINOPLE, 23.—The Russians have arrived at Keshan and are expected to reach the neighborhood of Gallipoli on Saturday.

Layard, British ambassador, has received a telegram from Osborne, announcing that Queen Victoria had subscribed £100 to the Turkish compassionate funds.

ST. PETERSBURG, 23.—Grand Duke Nicholas telegraphs that he intends to leave Kezmulik on the 24th inst., and hopes to arrive at Adrianople on the 27th.

The *Journal de St. Petersburg* says: "On receipt of the first telegram intimating the Porte's desire to negotiate, we warned the public against exaggerated optimism, because the sincerity of the Porte's desire for peace did not sufficiently appear. The dispatches published in the British Blue Book confirm our view. The Porte's initiative was prompted by the Lord Derby note, in order to offer the belligerents ground on which they might approach each other, but to enable England from the outset to interfere in negotiations. It is right that this unprecedented diplomatic manoeuvre should be brought to the notice of all friends of peace. An armistice can only be concluded after an arrangement is arrived at upon the peace preliminaries. The British Cabinet declares it would only recognize a peace in the conclusion of which Europe participated. It follows that, even in the face of the Porte's signature, the peace preliminaries would be worthless, the Porte's assent not being binding because Europe might annul it. The situation is further aggravated by the declaration of the British Government that it would await Russia's conditions before demanding a credit, so that if the present attempt fails, the attitude of England would have rendered an armistice and peace impossible, and would plunge the east into fatal complications. We are far from entertaining the idea that the British Cabinet desires this, although to every sincere and partial observer the cogency of our arguments will be manifest. Europe must judge, and it is necessary that in the public conscience and before the tribunal of history everybody should bear their proper share of responsibility."

LONDON, 24.—A dispatch from Constantinople reports that the fleet, commanded by Manthorpe Bey, has started for Kavala to embark Suleiman Pasha's troops. Half of the army will be conveyed to Gallipoli, and half to Constantinople.

A Constantinople dispatch, dated yesterday, contains the following: The Porte, to-day, received a telegram, sent by Server Pasha from Kezanlik, on Monday, stating that the Russian conditions had not yet been formulated, but he expected to learn them on Tuesday. The conversation between the negotiators had been somewhat animated.

A Constantinople correspondent says: A surgeon who had charge of a single train of cars for Constantinople, filled with refugees from Adrianople, states that 150 were buried on the journey.

A Vienna correspondent says: It is announced from the quadrilateral that the Turkish troops have begun to retreat from Rasgrad and Osman Bazar on Schumla. The Russians have interrupted communications between Rustchuk and Schumla.

A St. Petersburg correspondent telegraphs the following: There is