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FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY, JUNE 26, 1888.

Concert at Pleasant Valley.

The black diamond diggers of this locality are able to create amusement for themselves, when occasion requires. In proof of this they gave a concert on the evening of the 22nd inst., to aid in emigrating the family of Brother R. T. Evans, at which a very good programme was well rendered. Brother Evans sends us an account of the affair, giving special credit to T. M. and J. M. Richards, W. L. Jones and Wm. Lamph. Brother R. T. Evans desires his gratitude to be expressed to all who took part in the concert, or attended it.

Two Wards.

By letter from Brother Evan S. Thomas, we learn that, on the 15th, the ward heretofore known as Pleasant Valley Ward, was divided into two. The upper portion of the ward, located in Winter Quarters Canyon, retains the old name. Thomas J. Parmley was made Bishop, and Hyrum Richards and Isaac Whimpy were made his Counselors.

That portion of the ward embraced in the town of Scofield, takes that name. John T. Balantyne was ordained Bishop, and Thomas F. Page and John R. Davis were chosen as his Counselors. These changes were made by Apostle H. J. Grant, and Presidents A. O. Smoot and David John of Utah Stake.

To Observe the Fourth.

The people of Pleasant Green, Salt Lake County, purpose to have a celebration and good time generally on the Fourth of July. With this object the affair was placed in the hands of a committee composed of John Hirst, Samuel Spencer, Richard Sutton, David Jacobs, Joseph Fields and Lorenzo Day. The committee arranged a programme, which is to be inaugurated at the Hunter precinct schoolhouse, by patriotic speeches, recitations, music, etc.

At the close of this division of the programme the amusements will begin, consisting of foot races, greased pig chase, horse racing, sack and other races, broncho riding, etc., for which prizes will be given. A game of base ball will be played in the afternoon, and a free dance will be given in the schoolhouse. In the evening there will be a dance, and a display of fireworks.

Washington County Notes.

The Stake Conference was held in St. George, June 16 and 17. Meetings were well attended and good instructions given.

The deputy marshals put in an appearance in St. George on Saturday the 16th, and on Sunday evening arrested Brother McKeavy of Washington, and during the night they arrested Bishop M. L. Lee of Panaca, both on charges of unlawful cohabitation. They were to appear before the commissioner next day at Silver Reef. The officers returned to St. George in the hope of more prey.

A fire this morning destroyed the S. L. Adams smelter in the suburbs of St. George. The cause of the conflagration is unknown, but it is supposed to be from boys playing with fire.

Postal arrangements in many places in the south are very bad and cause great dissatisfaction to the people. St. George, June 8, 1888.

First District Court.

Proceedings at Provo yesterday: Mary Ann A. McIntire against John J. McIntire; divorce; decree granted. The account of David Evans, Esq., assistant United States District Attorney, for \$313, in Territorial cases for the quarter ending June 30, 1888, was approved.

Springville City made application for a temporary injunction restraining James Hauley from interfering with the water in Hobbie Creek Cañon. Granted.

John M. Milburn asked for a decree of foreclosure of a chattel mortgage against B. H. Young for \$350.25. Allowed.

Spanish Fork West Field Irrigation Co. made a motion to dissolve an injunction obtained at the last term of court by Spanish Fork City restraining the company from controlling the water in their ditch.

Supreme Court.

At 2:40 this afternoon the Territorial Supreme Court met, all of the justices being present.

S. C. Haller ex. rel. v. N. W. Clayton. This is the case in which the validity of the acts passed and approved at the last session of the legislature, after it had sat sixty days, is in question. The court holds that it cannot go behind the legislative record, that that record can not be impeached by parol evidence, and that the acts are valid. The opinion was delivered by Chief Justice Zane, and is fortified by citations of numerous authorities.

The case also involves the validity of the appointment of the court commissioners, and a phase of the appointive power of the Governor. It holds that the commissioners were legally appointed, and sustains the statute under which they act. The opinion in the case of the Promontory Stock Company vs. D. D. Houtz et al. was being read when we went to press.

Rexburg Notes.

Walter Paul, Esq., writing from Rexburg, Idaho, says: "The prospects are very good for an abundant harvest, although it has been a pretty cold spring. We have had some splendid showers, which have made the grass on the range, the grain in the fields and vegetables in the gardens look green and alive."

"The programme committee which was appointed to get up something for the Fourth, has done well, and if the programme is carried out the celebration will be one of the grandest affairs that have ever taken place in this section of country."

"There is a cough prevalent amongst the children at present, similar to the whooping cough, only not quite so bad. It is the general opinion that the 'Mormons' will take the test oath and vote at our coming election, on account of which the 'antis' are bristling up, and preparing to fight to the bitter end, but time will tell who will come off victorious."

Our mail route is to be changed on the first of July, instead of Market Lake to Egin it will pass from Eagle Rock to Egin and return three times a week. We are also to have a money order office started on the 1st of July. The last named change is a good one, but the changing of the route is not so good, as it is impossible to make schedule time at all seasons of the year on account of high water, etc. But it appears we have no voice in the matter but must take what they give us, whether it be palatable or not."

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY JUNE 27, 1888.

Anonymous.

We are in receipt of a communication from Circleville, Platte County, in which the attractions for settlers are dilated upon, with a request that other papers copy the article. The name of the writer is withheld, which is a fatal objection to the publication of the letter.

Released on Bail.

Today Angus M. Cannon, Jr., was brought down from the penitentiary and arraigned before Commissioner Norrell on the charge of perjury, in having falsely testified that he owned a certain amount of property. He waived examination and was released on giving \$1500 bonds.

Wanted for Stealing.

Isaac Olds, whose name appeared in the News a few days ago as having been arrested for larceny, is now wanted in Butte, Montana, on a charge of horse stealing. Some time since, Sheriff Burt, of this county, received a message from Sheriff Lloyd, of Butte, requesting him to send word if he came across Olds. On Wednesday last Sheriff Burt notified the Butte officer that his man was in this city, and received a reply asking his arrest. On Friday Olds was taken into custody, and was subsequently arraigned for stealing a harness from Mr. Pascoe. He pleaded guilty and was sent up for ten

days. The Butte officer came down for his man, and will take him back as soon as he is relieved of the sentence he is now under.

Bereavement.

Early this morning, Cyrus Noble Clark, the seventeen-months-old son of Lorenzo S. and Mary W. Clark, died at Sugarhouse, in this county, of teething. Elder Clark is absent from home, being engaged in preaching the Gospel in South Carolina. The sympathy of a host of friends is extended to the bereaved parents. The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

The Old Folks.

On Sunday last Brothers Geo. Goddard, C. R. Savage and Nelson A. Empey, of the Old Folks' Excursion Committee, visited Lehi to look after the prospects for the annual out of the aged. They met with a cordial welcome, and the response to the object of their visit was all that could be desired. Bishop Cutler and associates, acting in unison with the people, asked the committee what their desires were, as they were ready to grant them. The committee were delighted with the cordiality and generous spirit with which they were met, and made the needed preliminary arrangements for the excursion, which will take place on the 11th of July.

The old folks' annual out has become a "fixed institution," and the interest in it increases yearly. Inquiries concerning the next trip are pouring in upon the committee from all sides.

In the County Jail.

Sheriff A. J. Burt now has seven prisoners confined in the new county jail, only two of whom, however, are under sentence. Those in custody are:

William Wilson, held for Sheriff Willey, of Davis County, to await trial on a charge of housebreaking.

George Wilson, an old penitentiary bird, who is in custody on a charge of robbery, having been unable to procure the bail required by the committing magistrate.

Mrs. Smedley, who was sent up for 60 days for vagrancy by Justice Pyper. Peter Crowley, also under sentence for vagrancy. He has been imprisoned in the city jail at various times for different offenses, but is now serving a term of two months, which he was given by the justice of the peace at Bingham precinct.

Louis Beltram, insane. This is the old man who severely hurt a child at Liberty Park the other day. His mental condition is such that it is unsafe to allow him at large, because of his seemingly uncontrollable desire to injure children.

George Washington Small, insane. G. W. has been an inmate of the county infirmary for some time, but latterly he has become so dangerous as to necessitate his removal to the county jail, pending the completion of arrangements to send him to the Territorial Asylum at Provo.

John Kelly, also insane. He has wandered about from one mining camp to another, seemingly rational enough, though kind of a shiftless fellow. On his last visit to Bingham he got on a prolonged spree which brought on delirium tremens. He is now a dangerous lunatic.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, JUNE 28, 1888

Hurt His Hand.

A dispatch from R. W. Sloan, Esq., yesterday afternoon, stated that his ght and had been injured at Chicago, and there was some danger that his fingers would have to be amputated, though he hoped they might be saved. No particulars of the manner of the accident have been received. Mr. Sloan expects to continue east with the exposition car.

Proselyting in Georgia.

The following paragraph is from the News of Dawson, Georgia:

"Elder Moreen Danford of the Mormon Church, is making his converts in this county. We learn that some ten days ago, he baptized on a profession of faith, four persons. A Sunday or two ago, he preached in a farm house near this city."

The Reform School.

Mr. R. H. Jones, Prosecuting Attorney of Box Elder County, is in town to confer with Messrs. Joseph Barton and J. H. Moyle, and arrange a report of their late visit East in the interest of the Reform School. These gentlemen were appointed in April, by the Reform School Board, a special committee to visit and investigate into the workings of similar institutions in the East. The committee began their extensive trip on May 10th, and visited, successively, institutions in Colorado, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Missouri, Illinois, Ohio, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland and in Washington City, sixteen schools in all, returning

home the 9th of the present month. The report of their investigations and the conclusions adduced will be submitted to the Reform Board on Monday next.

Indian Idea of Justice.

Agent Gibson says the situation at Pyramid Reservation was quite critical for some days in consequence of the murder of Young Winnemucca by Willie Dunn and for the first time in the four years which he has been agent, he found it necessary to arm the Indian police, as well as the few whites at the agency. Young Winnemucca was physically one of the finest men in the tribe, while his murderer is inferior in size. The Indians did not think that the hanging of a little man like Dunn, would fairly atone for the murder of a large man like Winnemucca, and they thought it nothing more than right that two small men or one large should be put to death. While discussing this question they eyed the agent, who is a large man, and he thought for a while they intended to sacrifice him, but the head men reasoned with them, and they concluded it was not their fault that Dunn was not as large as the victim.

Iron County Items.

The boom in Cedar City, Iron County, has somewhat abated though a few still ask after cheap corner lots.

Rumors of the sale of the iron mines to a wealthy corporation are afloat, but are not verified.

Stock sales have been at a stand-still for some time, but now begin to show some activity. One party has purchased six hundred head of yearlings from the Canaan Co-operative herd. It is said this company will load over a thousand head on the cars at Milford on July 10.

Cedar City presents quite a thrifty appearance. A number of new houses have been put up during the past year. The new Tabernacle is a credit to the town and when completed will be one of the best and neatest houses of worship south of Salt Lake City. It is built of brick.

Many of the people of Cedar are in the mountains on their ranches, and others are anxious to go to those cool retreats during the hot weather.

The sheep herds have done better than it was expected they would, and a good wool-clip has been realized.

The Stake Conference at Parowan was well attended on June 23d and 24th, and a good spirit prevailed. Excellent instruction was imparted and all seemed to be well satisfied.

Everything is very dry in this section of the country. The roads are dusty, and a rain would be a great blessing.

Attempts have been made to get artesian water in the field west of Parowan, but the results were not very flattering, though several small streams were tapped. If artesian water could be obtained there it would be a great benefit to that part of the Territory.

TRAVELER.

COUNTY TAXES.

Significant Queries Respecting the Assessment.

SALT LAKE CITY, June 28, 1888.

Editor Deseret News:

Can you explain to a curious public why the county assessor assesses residence property at a higher rate than business property? In court last year a county official testified that residences were assessed at two-thirds of their value, while business property was placed at but one-half. A residence to a family has a comparatively fixed value for its use, that of a home. The use of a business property is of much greater value, according to location, as in many instances its owner or occupier realizes tens of thousands of dollars from the business done there.

Another question: Why does the assessor double the assessment on residence property, especially away from the centre of town, when in fact it is worth no more? Has not such a policy a tendency to compel the people to sell their homes, even at a sacrifice, because of inability to pay the taxes?

RESIDENT.

PLACED UNDER BONDS.

James Howard Prosecuted Under the Edmunds Law.

About 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon Deputy Marshals Franks and Cannon went to South Bountiful and arrested James Howard of that place on a charge of unlawful cohabitation with Mrs. Juliet Howard and Mrs. Betsy Howard as his wives. The latter is the widow of the defendant's brother, William Howard, who died some years since; and it is alleged that she was married again about five years ago. Mr. James Howard was arrested at his own home, and at the request of the deputies went over to Mrs. Betsy Howard's, to get the latter's young daughter to open the door, as she and

a small child were the only occupants of the house, and she was frightened at the deputy who came to the house, and locked herself in.

Mr. Howard was called before Commissioner Norrell today, and a preliminary examination held. Two of the daughters and one niece of the defendant were examined as witnesses, but knew very little of the case. The niece, Miss Clarissa A. Howard, did not answer the questions as District Attorney Peters wanted her to, and he exhibited considerable severity of manner. Several times the following colloquy was repeated, the attorney each time speaking very sternly:

Mr. Peters—What do you mean by you don't know?

Miss Howard—I mean, sir, that I do not know.

Mr. Peters (abruptly)—What do you think?

Miss Howard—I don't think.

Mr. Peters (sharply)—Why don't you think?

Miss Howard—Because I do not meddle with other people's business—that is none of mine.

In reply to further queries, the young lady stated that her father died when she was quite small. When she said she had paid a visit to a friend's home in Parley's Cañon last fall, but stated that she could not give the precise date, the District Attorney, exclaimed "She's committing perjury by the wholesale." She was finally excused from the witness stand and peremptorily ordered by the District Attorney to be taken "into a room." The badly frightened girl was taken into the Marshal's office, where she found relief in tears, and was subsequently released, there being, of course, no reason for her detention.

When Mrs. Juliet Wood, the defendant's daughter, was on the witness stand, Mr. Peters asked—"Who taught you to believe in polygamy?"

Mrs. Wood—I really could not say. I have learned that it is right—I know it is proper.

Mr. Peters—Did your father teach you?

Mrs. Wood—I could not say that he did, any more than any one else. It is a principle of my religion.

Mr. Peters—Does your father believe in polygamy?

Mrs. Wood—I believe he does. I do not know that I have heard him say.

Mrs. Ellen Salter testified that it had been rumored for four or five years that the defendant had a plural wife.

Mr. Peters inquired—"Does Mr. Howard believe plural marriage to be right?"

Mrs. Salter—I believe he does—he is a good man.

Mr. Peters—Do all the good men here believe it to be right?

Mrs. Salter—Yes, sir; I think they do.

"Sarah Ann Downs," was the next name called for, and when the lady came forward Mr. Peters asked, "Are you married?"

Witness—I don't know.

Mr. Peters—Why don't you know? You must answer.

Witness—Yes, sir.

Mr. Peters—What's your husband's name?

Witness—I do not want to answer.

Commissioner Norrell—You must answer.

Witness—John Howard.

Mr. Peters—When were you married?

Witness—In 1884.

Mr. Peters—What relation is John Howard to James Howard, this defendant?

Witness—His brother.

Mr. Peters—You are John's second wife?

No answer.

Mr. Peters—Is Betsy Howard in good standing in the Church?

Witness—Yes, sir.

Mr. Peters—Do you know whether James Howard believes in polygamy?

Witness—I never heard him say.

Mr. Peters—Does he and Betsy attend the same church?

Witness—I have seen them at the same meeting house.

Deputies Franks and Cannon testified that when they arrested the defendant they spoke to him of Mrs. Betsy Howard as his second wife, and "he seemed to recognize her as such." When they asked him to give bonds for his second wife he replied, "If you've got her I'll give bonds." The defendant refused to make any statement notwithstanding the fact that the officers threatened to subpoena the neighbors if he did not. The outcome was that they subpoenaed some of the neighbors.

The defendant stated that he went over to Mrs. Betsy Howard's house with the officers so that they would not break it in. They were admitted and searched the house, but Mrs. Howard was not there, only her two children being present.

The commissioner said he thought the case was such that it ought to go to the grand jury, and required the defendant to give \$1,000 bonds to await the result.

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