

conveys the opposite of what they intended; and altogether have proven themselves utterly incompetent either to examine or report anything that involves the value of five cents. Let them slide back into the obscurity from which they were briefly elevated by their selection—for a purpose, to the wonderful position—which turned their heads, of a peripatetic committee of a grand jury in a district of a Western Territory. *Exeunt omnes.*

EXCLUSIVENESS.

THE Mormons have frequently been charged with the terrible crime of "exclusiveness." This has been preferred by persons who, coming into the Territory for the purpose of bettering their temporal condition, have been very much chagrined because they were not received with open arms, invited into the "best society," introduced to the wives and daughters of gentlemen with whom they might happen to transact business, and treated as familiar friends, although entire strangers to the community. The assurance with which such individuals have seemed to demand recognition, is something really amusing.

Now the fault which may more properly be found with many of the "Mormons" is that they are too ready to receive into close acquaintance, new comers, of whose antecedents they are entirely ignorant, and to accept for undoubted truth the facile professions and polished assumptions of adventurers and sometimes deep-dyed scoundrels.

Advice to the contrary has been freely offered, and caution after caution has been given in public and in private. But it has frequently happened that while plain, honest worth has been passed by unnoticed or unencouraged, polite and smooth-tongued villainy has been welcomed, petted, feasted and patronized.

"Experience makes fools wise," is an old adage, but it does not hold good in every instance, for some people are repeatedly deceived. A trusting nature is much to be admired, but in an age like this, when fraud, deception and hypocrisy hold carnival, and in a portion of the country which adventurers will naturally visit, all people should be on their guard, and, while abstaining from undue suspicion and administering judicious hospitality, preserve enough "exclusiveness" to guard the innocent against the wiles of rascality and society from the contamination of the vile and polluted.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Some idea of the influence wielded by the London *Daily Telegraph* may be learned from the fact that on the morning after the fall of Plevna that paper issued an edition of 296,000 copies. The editor-in-chief, Mr. Edward Lawson, is a Jew, whose former name was Levy, but who has obtained a change of name by royal sign manual. The net income of the paper is said to exceed \$500,000 a year.

The Jews are anxious that the world shall know that Moses is not of their tribe. We are not alluding to the ancient lawgiver of that name, but to the modern forger of South Carolina. The *Jewish Times* says his family descended from Jewish stock, but three generations ago forsook the synagogue for the Church. The notorious ex-Governor was a pillar of Episcopalianism.

The difference between killing in peace and killing in war was neatly shown by Sir Wilfred Lawson in a speech, a short time ago, at Dudley, England. Said he: "If the Duke of Edinburgh were to shoot his father-in-law now, he would be handed down to posterity in infamy; but if war were declared, and the Duke shot the Czar, he would receive a vote of thanks, proposed by Lord Beaconsfield, seconded by Lord Granville, and supported by the Archbishop of Canterbury." Circumstances alter cases most mightily.

Barbara Allen, known as "Barbara the beggar," died in New York, the other day, and the body was taken to the Morgue. On examination, \$15 07 in money was

found, and a bank book showing \$1,955 88 to her credit in the Brooklyn Savings Bank. Slips of paper were found in her bosom pads, showing that she had deposits in other banks, and it turned out that she had saved the snug little fortune of \$20,000. She appeared to have no relatives while she begged for a living, but there is no doubt that plenty of heirs will now turn up. The professional mendicant is generally a professional impostor.

Sir Arthur Kennedy, Governor of Queensland, who is unmarried, was very much chagrined recently and his friends astonished by a telegram which was reported in London as follows: "Lady Kennedy has given birth to twins, the eldest being a son." The dispatch read, literally, "Governor of Queensland, twins, first son," and was given out as above. The message delivered in the first place was: "Governor Queensland turns first sod." It was a dispatch to persons interested in the Maryborough Gympie Railroad, a new project supported by His Excellency. Mistakes, it appears, will happen in the best regulated telegraph offices.

Jasper, the Virginian colored preacher, who maintains that the "sun do move," has contributed much towards a new revival among the negroes of Richmond. They grovel on the ground; shout, sing, obtain sudden conversion, see visions and are convulsed by unseen influences, all of which they think is religion. Jasper's style may be understood from the following quotation: "Same as a head of cabbage in a bilin' pot will de sinner be fo' everlastin' in hell. De pot will keep on bilin' and de cabbage will burn but never burn up. You'll all be like de cabbage if ye don't repent." Jasper only imitates his white brudren; he follows their doctrine if not their style.

A dispatch to the *Inter-Ocean* says: "One of the guides in the employ of the military at Fort Clark, Texas, went over to the town of Saragosa, Mexico, which is about thirty-five miles into the interior, and there finding some Indians in the town on a spree, joined in with them, and, after taking a number of drinks, and loafing about the town until after dark, he (the guide) succeeded in getting one of the Indians out alone, threw his lasso around his neck, and put spurs to his horse, dragging Mr. Lo by the lasso. After getting some distance, and out of danger, he then strapped the dead body on a pony, and brought it to Fort Clark, a distance of over 50 miles. The guide, when asked why he did so, said he was determined to bring in one dead Indian." Now if the red skins retaliate in their own traditional fashion, a fierce cry will go up about Indian deviltry, and "extermination" will be the "Christian" white man's war cry.

A series of experiments have been made in the Austrian army with the long range rifle used by the Turks so effectually in the war with Russia. Wooden targets were set up, representing three guns in action with men serving the pieces. Fifteen hundred yards distant from these dummies, a company of infantry, 236 men strong, were drawn up. At a given signal these opened fire, and in three and a half minutes each man had fired ten rounds. On examining the targets it was found that nine per cent. of the bullets had taken effect. The 108 dummies which represented the guns, the officers and men, had been struck by 189 projectiles—a sufficient number to have put the three field pieces out of action. The firing party was not composed of picked marksmen, but was formed of men taken indiscriminately from the Fourth Regiment of the line. Immense damage to the enemy could be inflicted by a large body of men like them. But shooting at a dummy and at live men who also use the rifle are very different things, and wooden targets and guns in action are liable to have a very different effect upon the nerves of sharpshooters.

Local and Other Matters.

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY, APRIL 23.

New Tabernacle. — The master mason of the New Tabernacle, E. Brain, has with him, on the building, a force of fifteen stone-layers and twenty-seven laborers. The walls are going up.

Home-made. — At the carpenter shop on the Temple Block, the manufacture of coffins has been introduced by Brother Henry Grow. They are nicely painted, and elegantly trimmed, comprising several different qualities.

Broke His Leg. — Last night, Elijah White and Gus M. Clarke had a dispute in the saloon of Newman & Reed, First South street. The quarrel culminated in blows, and White had his leg broken in the fracas. He was carried from the saloon, placed in a wagon and conveyed to his home in the 21st Ward.

Fatal Accident. — The following special to the *DESERET NEWS*, was received to-day per *Deseret Telegraph*:

AMERICAN FORK, April 23.

Editors Deseret News:

Yesterday afternoon about four o'clock, a little girl, daughter of Samuel Greenwood, aged about two years, was run over with a wagon by some boys hauling adobies. She ran between the wheels, and the boys, not noticing her, the hind wheel passed over her head. She died about four hours after.

Wool Dusters. — Mr. J. M. Russell, of this city, is manufacturing brush dusters, made from Scotch or American long wool, nicely prepared and dyed in beautiful variegated colors. The brush is attached to a neatly turned handle. The article has not only the advantage over the feather duster in point of beauty, but also in durability. They are manufactured under a patent right obtained in 1876. Those who have used the wool dusters say they are better than anything else in their line in the market.

Painful Accident. — This morning Mr. John Bowers, carpenter, in the employ of Mr. Peter Reid, met with a painful accident. In descending the stairway leading to the cellar under the City Hall, he tripped and fell. His right hand struck upon the sharp edge of his drawing knife, cutting a gash diagonally across the palm to the bone. The main artery of the hand was severed, causing him to lose a great deal of blood, which literally poured from the wound. He went to the office of Dr. Benedict, who sewed the gash and dressed the hand.

Fence Law-Election. — There will be an election at Pleasant Green, on Friday, 26th, of April, 1878, to determine the fence law for that district. All who are interested will govern themselves accordingly.

The no-fence law is desired by many of the residents of that district, which extends from the Mounds to the Point of the Mountain, west, as they are put to great inconvenience at present by the number of worthless mustang scrubs, and almost as worthless horned stock, which destroy their growing crops.

District Court. — Monday afternoon, April 22nd:

Alfalfa Young et al. vs. Geo. Q. Cannon et al.; hearing on order to show cause continued till Wednesday, April 24, by stipulation.

Union Trust Co., of New York vs. Utah Northern Railroad Co.; the Court entered an order at length, approving and confirming the sale made by Special Master R. B. Young.

Tuesday morning, April 23rd:

N. C. Boatman vs. Lavinia Moore; referred to E. T. Sprague, to report findings.

Washington Square. — A petition is going the rounds of the cricket and base ball clubs and is receiving numerous signatures. It asks the Mayor and City Council to lease to the clubs the west half of Washington Square, for the season, as a place in which to exercise in those open air sports. The petition proposes, providing the prayer is granted, to throw the grounds open three days in each week to all ball players, for practice. The other three days they want to reserve for the exclusive use of the clubs. The petitioners promise to place the grounds in good condition and make necessary improvements.

Cancer. — We learn from the *Ogden Junction* that, at the request of the friends of Mr. Thomas Kasey, of Slaterville, who died recently, at that place, Dr. P. L. Anderson made a post mortem examination of the remains. The object of the investigation was to find out the cause of death, deceased having

suffered intensely previous to his demise. A cancer, weighing two pounds, was discovered in the stomach, which, in connection with the polypus of the heart had been the cause of the acute agony referred to.

Attempted Break. — Night before last John Reed and David Smith, prisoners in the county jail, made an attempt to break out. They worked about a couple of hours upon a stone partition wall, making a hole in it about 2½ feet long by 2 feet wide, and 14 inches deep, being within a few inches of the other side of the wall. They were discovered and removed, by the jailor, Mr. Newton, to another cell.

The object of the prisoners in attempting to break through to the adjoining compartment was, in the event of finding the door of the latter open, to pass into the hallway, and get out into the yard by breaking through the window at its north end. Had they succeeded in making their way through the partition wall, they would have found the door referred to securely fastened.

Reed and Smith are a couple of youths who were sentenced to imprisonment in the County jail, for 90 and 70 days, respectively, for cutting a car loose on the Wasatch and Jordan Valley Railroad, sending it down the inclined track with tremendous velocity, to the danger of life, limb and property.

Items from Abroad. — The following are gleaned from the *Milennial Star* of April 1st:

"The Whitechapel Branch of the London Conference, celebrated the 14th anniversary of their Female Relief Society, on Wednesday, March 6, 1878, at which President John Cook and Elder Wm. Burton were present. The meeting was well attended by saints from a distance, and a few strangers. Songs, recitations, then refreshments were the order of the evening. Those present much enjoyed the good time they had.

The Wandsworth Branch held a concert on the 19th of March, which was well attended by saints and strangers. The singing and reciting by both young and old was very good. The hall was decorated with flowers, mottoes and pictures, in fine taste; some were designed with great skill by our own artist, Elder Wm. Armitage, and attracted much attention. If one thing was admired more than another, it was the delightful spread on the tables at recess, in the shape of cakes and fruit which all seemed to enjoy. On meeting being called to order again, President H. Gainer gave one of his thrilling recitations on the follies of sectarianism, then singing by the sisters, after which President J. Cook made some seasonable remarks on the nature of true enjoyment. The meeting was dismissed, at a late hour, by prayer."

A conference was held in Baptist Court Chapel, Swansea, Wales, on Sunday, March 10th. There were present, of the Elders from Utah, Joseph H. Parry, President of, and W. N. Williams, L. Howell, Walter J. Lewis and Thomas F. Howell, Traveling Elders in the Welsh Conference. All of those brethren addressed the meetings. D. P. Thomas acted as clerk of the Conference.

On the following Monday evening a concert was held at the same place, which was a very pleasant entertainment.

Conference is announced in the *Star* to be held at Hockley Chapel, Birmingham, April 25th, and one in London on May 25th, at which latter it was the intention of Elder H. W. Naisbitt to be present.

Elder Henry Staggs wrote from on board H. M. S. *Devastation*, in Besika Bay:

"I received the books quite safe. I think you cannot imagine what pleasure it gives me to read the blessed truths they contain. I am glad to tell you that I feel well towards the Work of God, and I know that my heavenly Father is working with me. In regard to the young man of whom I spoke in my last letter, I can now call him my brother, although I have not had the privilege of baptizing him yet, but that is neither his fault nor mine. As soon as the opportunity presents itself, he says he is willing to obey the mandates of heaven, and I am confident that he will, if faithful, be a useful member in the Church. He has received a good education, and has seen better days—his

changed circumstances caused him to join the service, but he says now that it all happened for the best; now I can say the Lord has made me a blessing to my fellow-man, even in this wretched line of life. This is a beginning, I don't know how it will end, but I have borne my humble testimony to many since I last wrote to you, and told them what they must do to enter the kingdom of God. I desire an interest in your prayers, that I may have the spirit of my office resting upon me so that I may be enabled by the Holy Spirit to carry out the duties devolving upon me."

SHORT AND SHARP.

A Tennessee lady has a grammar which was used by Henry Clay when he was a boy. It will be valuable sometime; statesmen of the present day are mainly such as didn't use grammars when they were boys. — *Worcester Press.*

The telephone is so sensitive and perfect that you can hear a watch tick several blocks distant. It will probably reach such a state of perfection that you can distinctly hear a bed-tick. — *Norristown Herald.*

An exchange says: "Three hundred children are annually suffocated in bed in London." That is rather rough on the three hundred. They ought to take fresh children every once in a few years.

Stern parent (to Young America): "When I was your age, sir, I got up at five, cooked my own breakfast, and cleaned my own boots." Young dutiful: "Yes, but then you hadn't me about you, who know the ropes, to set you a better example."

A Winstead, Conn., man, staggering to his feet in a recent religious meeting, shouted: "I was drunk last night and the night before, and I'm drunk to-night, but I'll stand up for Jesus," and now the local papers are calling for a temperance reform.

While he was counting over the collection money on Sunday last, the deacon of a Washington church found an old and faded piece of paper, which, being unfolded, proved to be his own nearly outlawed note for \$30 and interest, which the holder, unable to collect, had turned into the treasury of the Lord.

A man saw a ghost while walking along a lonely highway at midnight. The ghost stood exactly in the middle of the road, and the wayfarer, deciding to investigate, poked at it with his umbrella. The next instant he was knocked twenty feet into a mud hole. Moral—Never poke an umbrella at a white mule when its back is turned.

A Virginia woman, it is stated, "has died from the excessive use of tobacco aged 100 years." Dealers should be arrested and heavily fined for selling tobacco aged 100 years. Tobacco only 75 years old is injurious enough, and if you can't get any of the "weed" under a century old, you'd better eschew it than to chew it. — *Norristown Herald.*

We are not content with our lot, and sigh for a change. Fate never treated anyone so badly as he treats us, and everybody gets on better than we do. That is about the way matters stand with us a great deal of the time. And yet if we had to bear the burdens of some of the very people whom we envy, we should be glad enough to get back to our own little cares and think them nothing.

After all, man is a generous being. Not long ago one died in Massachusetts who had been married only a year, and received a fortune of \$50,000 from his wife. And what did he do when he found death staring him in the face? Not enrich his relatives as he might have done; he willed it all back to her—on the simple condition that she should not marry again. The noble man! — *Woman's Words.*

If there is one way of dodging the moral law human depravity will find it out. "Edward, don't you go out of that gate." He was found 30 minutes after 40 rods off playing marbles, and winning another boy's last agate. "Didn't I tell you not to go out of that gate?" said the irate parent. "Well," was the reply, "I didn't go out of the gate; I climbed over the fence." That kind of logic is circulating pretty freely nowadays.