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AN appointment having been made some weeks ago for two days' meetings at Grantsville, Tooele County, to be held on last Saturday and Sunday, a company of Elders, consisting of Presidents B. Young, G. A. Smith and D. H. Wells, and Elders W. Woodruff, G. Q. Cannon, Joseph F. Smith, John W. Young and several others left this city on Friday, the 22nd instant, to attend these meetings. The day was unusually cool, and the wind blew in a direction to carry the dust away from the carriages, so the journey was a very pleasant one. At the Lake House the company received a welcome reception from Dr. Clinton and family. After dinner the journey was resumed, and accompanied by a number of the prominent citizens of Tooele County, the Woolen Factory was visited while en route to Grantsville, and the latter place was reached about five o'clock. The children and many of the citizens stood in line on the sidewalk, with their banners bearing appropriate mottoes flying, to extend their welcome to the President and his company. The improvements which have been made in the Grantsville meeting-house make the building one of the finest finished in the Territory; its appearance and surroundings called forth the encomiums of all the visitors, and with other evidences of thrift and enterprise which we saw, speak highly for the authorities and people of that place. On Saturday morning the speakers were President D. H. Wells, Geo. Q. Cannon, and President Geo. A. Smith; in the afternoon Elders H. J. Faust, John W. Young and President B. Young addressed the people. In the evening Elder Jos. F. Smith occupied the time. Sunday morning the assembly listened to President D. H. Wells and Elder Geo. Q. Cannon; and in the afternoon to President Geo. A. Smith, Elder W. Woodruff and President B. Young. A good flow of the Spirit was enjoyed by the speakers, and the meetings were interesting. To avoid the heat, and to have a more pleasant journey, the company returned to the city by moonlight last evening, the members bringing with them pleasant memories of their visit and of the delightful hospitality of the people of Grantsville.

(SPECIAL TO THE DESERET NEWS.)

By Telegraph.

GENERAL.

HAMILTON, Nev.—The total loss of property at Pioche by the late fire and explosion, is estimated at \$600,000. The following names are added to the list of wounded: Charles Sheppard, H. Warley, T. W. Rider, Ike Phillips, Dick McAlpine, Jack McDonald, and Ross Blakely. The *Record* says that although the fire raged round the magazine for over an hour, it was not until after one o'clock that the powder exploded. Many had grown careless from long waiting, and a large crowd was collected in the vicinity of the magazine, when suddenly an immense sheet of flame darted upwards, followed by a deafening report, and then the cries of the wounded and dying and the screams of women and children and the shouting of men, and hurrying to the scene of the accident went to make up a picture beyond the power of our pen to describe. About forty were wounded and six or more killed outright. The explosion seems to have taken a course up Meadow Valley Street, as most of the killed and wounded were in that vicinity. The wounds were of a terrible nature, in many instances the flesh being torn and burned off the bones, and ribs broken, and skulls fractured, &c., being general with all.

Billy Wilson, a pony express rider

coming this way left Sweetwater twenty-six miles beyond Wellington, at noon on Tuesday, and up to 1 p. m. yesterday he had not reached Wellington. A later dispatch says the rider's gloves were found near Aurora, covered with blood. Parties are searching for him.

At 3:30 this morning another bold attempt was made to set the city of Virginia on fire. Some incendiary placed a lot of old rags, etc., saturated with coal oil between a couple of houses below C Street, and set it blazing. A watchman at the Gould & Curry works saw it, and put it out. If the fire had got fairly started it could not have failed to do great damage.

Chiefs Lowney, Lackey, and Morrow who went from here in pursuit of the escaped convicts, returned last evening; they did not capture any of them. The horses and men are all worn out. A complaint is made that no reward is yet offered for the capture of these men. The *Carson Register* says that Gen. Bateman and Lieut. Lyman, with the national guard were yesterday engaged in scouring Carson River, but with an unknown result. Thirty of the convicts went to an Indian camp this side of Genoa, and seized the Indians' clothes and dressed themselves therein. Sheriff Swift and Indian guide returned here yesterday, having left Virginia City, with the party who went to Hot Springs, Walker River. They report pursuing the desperadoes for a long time with the aid of an Indian tracker, but never came up with them. The rest of the party are still pursuing them.

NEW YORK, 22.—An immense mass meeting was held to-night on Tweed Plaza, to endorse W. M. Tweed. Fully twenty-five thousand persons were present, and resolutions were adopted endorsing Tweed, and placing him in nomination for re-election. Tweed made a lengthy address, in which he felt he could safely place himself and his record as a public official, openly and publicly to their gaze. When maligned and condemned without trial, it was a pleasure to come among the friends of his childhood, take them by the hand and talk to them in a friendly manner. He pointed proudly to his record, which was open to the scan of all, and courted a free, open, impartial investigation. He accepted the nomination for senator, and hoped his friends would stand by him.

NEW YORK, 24.—Mayor Hall states positively that he cannot recognize deputy comptroller Green. In answer to those who speak of the mayor resigning, that official caused a placard to be put in a conspicuous place in the City Hall, yesterday, bearing the following inscription: "Elected first January, 1871, for the two years, ending 31st December, 1872; that is my answer."

SPRINGFIELD, Mass.—Recent Butler gains in the cities are fully offset by the anti-Butler delegates just chosen in the small towns. Republican returns show the election of 881 delegates, of whom 357 are Butler, and 524 anti-Butler, making a majority against Butler of 167. It now seems certain there will be not less than 150 and possibly 250 majority against Butler in the convention.

SAN FRANCISCO, 23.—A fire broke out just before eight o'clock this evening, in the upper story of Harpending's three story brick iron front block, eight stores southside of Market St., opposite Sanson, and ran through the entire story with astonishing rapidity. The efforts of the firemen were unavailing, though no breeze was blowing, the great heat and the peculiar construction of the building rendering it impossible to get at the flames. The second story remained in a measure intact until half-past eight, when it seemed all to kindle at once, and the fire blazed with deep and fresh violence. The falling machinery soon smashed in the second floor and the fire broke out in the main story. The intense heat, fed by a large quantity of oils, liquors, etc., bent and curled the thick iron doors like shavings, and before four o'clock all hope of saving any part of the block was abandoned. The fire bounded by the alley on the east of the block occupied by Tyler, Curles & Co., and Strable's Billiard factory on the west, which is not materially injured, though the adjoining building is destroyed. The principal sufferers are Hostetter, Smith & Dean, drugs and medicines, who occupied two stores from the ground to the roof; Thurnauer and Zinn, notions and fancy goods; Schultz, Weimer and Dato, straw and fancy goods; New York bedding house; F. Topf, millinery; Phelan & Callender's, billiard ware rooms; Weish & Co., leather and findings; and Sieber-

lich & Co., boot and shoe depot; all the wholesale establishments are entirely destroyed, hardly anything being saved. The loss will approach a million dollars and may exceed it.

The ruins of Harpending's block are still smouldering and the engines playing upon it this evening. Everything in the building is a total loss, with the exception of the cellar and ground floor of east end store occupied by Reddington, Hostetter & Co., which were not burned but flooded with water. Their insurance was \$125,000 and their loss will exceed it by fully \$300,000. Thousands of people have visited the ruins to-day. It is evident that had there been fire walls run up above the roof, as the law requires, the fire would not have extended beyond the store in which it originated. As it was, the fire ran along the asphaltum roof and dropped down into each store in succession until all were ablaze. So clean a sweep has never been made by a fire in San Francisco for years. The front of the building is nearly intact, only the iron doors and shutters will require repairing, but many of the division walls are ruined and the rear has mostly fallen out. There was an insurance of \$100,000 on the building, which will not cover the loss.

Henry St. Clair, Geo. Post and Jones, Firemen were badly injured by the falling walls and cornices. St. Clair's leg is broken, Jones is supposed fatally injured, his skull is fractured. Fred Wehr, a carpenter, was also badly hurt. The losses are reported as follows: Harpending building, \$200,000; Reddington, Hostetter and Co., \$400,000; insured for \$100,000; Thurnauer & Zinn, \$150,000; Oulif, Weiner & Dato, \$40,000; J. Rohr and Son, \$60,000; F. Topf, \$50,000; Philan Collender, \$50,000; Weck & Co., \$40,000; F. A. Seebert, \$70,000, building and contents practically a total loss.

VIRGINIA, 24.—"Mollie" Davis committed suicide yesterday by morphine. Deceased was twenty-three years of age, a native of Cornwall, England.

The *Arizona Miner*, Sept. 16, gives cheering news from Gen. Crook. Capt. Henry's 3rd Cavalry has swept over several hundred miles of country, destroying many rancheros and killing several Indians, the Apaches scattering and fleeing in all directions. Met Gov. Safford's party of 200 at the mines on Cherry Creek in August. The peace commissioner had stopped over at the White Mountains. Gen. Crook thinks the war would be over in six months, if the Indians could be kept out of the reservations.

LIST OF EMIGRANTS

Per Steamship "Nevada", who left Liverpool Sept. 6th, 1871.

FROM THE BRITISH MISSION.

Peter and Peter Moor; Hannah, Ann, Sarah and Eliza Briggs; Ellen Garbett; Peter and Elizabeth Ramsden; Henry, Maria, Elizabeth, Lorenzo, Thomas, Maria, George W and John E Johnson; Elizabeth, Elizabeth, Joseph, Hyrum, George, John, Sarah and William Acocks; William, Sarah, Joseph, Martha, William, John, Sarah, Ann, Phoebe and Thomas Howes; James, Mary, Emma, Abel, Herbert, Amelia, Frederick, Sarah and Henry Cleverley; Thomas Arnold; William and Elizabeth Barber; Thomas A and George E. Hooper; Ellen Herridge, Eliza and Alfred Odd; John Whitehead; Mary J Hart; Ellen Allison; Joshua and Jane Messervy; Jane Crane; Thomas, Harriet J, John, Sarah, John W and Annie Wilson; Mary and Jane Prince; John Wilson; Mary Clifton; Margaret R and Margaret Ellen Ripley.

RETURNING ELDERS:

John I Hart and W M Bromley.

FROM SWISS AND GERMAN MISSION

Herman Oberhausli; Marie and Magdeline Driggelman; Maria Lanz; Martha Ziegler; Rudolphe Krause; Jacques E Rivoy; Madeline Rochon; Katharine de Jeune Youve; Rosine and Albert Hirsche; Katharine Eisenmann; Edward Kollinger; Elizabeth Corneli; Franz Riedl; Jacob Rupp; Jacob Shillinger.

RETURNING ELDERS:

Ferdinand Oberhausli and Chauncey W West.

FROM SCANDINAVIAN MISSION:

Ole, Wilhelmine, Andrew, Otto, Peter and Ane Madsen; Soren Larsen; Peter, Kirstine and Hans Jensen; Hans, Mette M, Ole, Jens C and Niels L Anderson; Christianne Karofsky; Emma A and Maria S Hildkjar; Lauritz Funk; Niels R Lund; Karen Hansen, Ferdinand, Karoline, Julia, Carl, Karoline and Willard Jacobsen.

Christian, Ane C, Karen, Stine M, and Peter W Nielson; Servilla D and Ole T W Olson; Jens C, Maren, Maren K, Christen,

Jen sine and Maria Christensen; Ole and Olof P Aspelund; Anna G Borell; C W F Ericson; Olof, Catherine and Brita M Ericson; Charlotte Higlund; Carl F Kalstrom; Erik and Margarete Lundell; Adolph F, and Johanna Nielson; Ida Peterson; Niels J Provostgaard; Johanne Nielsen; Peter Peterson; Rasmus Andersen; Soren C and Lars C Petersen; Hansine Sorenson; Jens S, C Martinus and Maren Jensen; Niels C Christensen; Petrea S Andersen; Karen M, Martine and Mine Petersen; Johanne Jensen; Karen, Annie, Eric and Niels Jensen; Maren Nielsen; Simon Christensen; Olong, Oscar and Fredrick Petersen; Martin Christophersen; Cecilie Froudsen; Anna C Nielsen; Johan Mellqvist; Christine and Christine Brink; Cara F Guldbrandsen; Frederick Holmgreen; Johan G Norberg; Caren and Amelia Larsen; Charlotte Gungdahl, Jacob, Kjerster, Anders, Johan, Axel and Bernhard, Malm Anders Jonsen; Christine Nielsen; Bengta Mortensen; Christiane and Charlotte Dahlsted; Mathilda C Lagstrom; Niels Johnson; Bendt Kay, Knud, Anne K, Maren and Jens C Nielsen; Lise Anderson; Niels C Christensen; W W S Thompson; Julius Steffenson; Eliza O Christensen; Anne K Sorenson; Aase Jacobine, Rachael, Benjamin and Carl Jacobsen; Maria Johansen, Ingeborg Nielsen; Emil Melberg; Brita S Carlson; Johannes Danielson; Christine Johansen; Ane M and Rasmine Petersen; Sophie A Henriksen; Aurora Ljungren; Henrietta and Hilma Peterson; Johanne F Johnson; Peter, Johanne and Christine Petersen; Aboline and Anton S Hansen; Joseph Madsen; Carl E and Johanne Ericson; Johan, Elizabeth, Wilhelmine, Wilhelm, Johannis, Fredrick and Henrick Jonk; Margarete, Christine, Emma, Johanne, Gustaff and Peter Petersen; Niels Petersen, Johanne Nielson; Sophia, Ellen and Sophia M Larson; Johannes Anna, Anna C Charlotte and Inga L Johnson; Anna G, Amelia Johnson; Ole and Jacob Jacobsen; Ane M Petersen.

RETURNING ELDERS:

Christian Willardson, Soren C Thura and Eric M Cast.

From Scandinavian Mission, 169.

the British Isles, 100-170.

Swiss and German Mission, 17.

Returning Missionaries, 7.

Total, 268.

Correspondence.

LONDON, August 21, 1871.

Editor of the *Deseret News*, Utah:—

Dear Sir.—Having for some years been a subscriber to the *Millennial Star*, I have felt a deep interest in the history of the Latter-day Saints. I should like to have the *Deseret News* direct, to be kept well posted up as to your progress and development.

With this I send you a low scurrilous pamphlet, which is now selling in the streets of London and the newshops of Islington. For vile falsehood it is of a piece with the calumnies and slanders with which I am familiar, another outburst of the opposition common to all great movements. The main part of the charges in this pamphlet is stale, but revived now for the sake of gain in pandering to the sensational cravings of the multitude. The man of whom I bought this libelous production had a picture exhibiting, representing a female stripped to her waist, with her hands tied to a whipping post and receiving, on her bare back, lashes from a man who is whisking a cat-o-nine-tails over the bound victim, whilst another man stands, like one of the torturers of the Inquisition, gloating over the sufferings of this wretched woman, only instead of a crucifix he has a book to which he is directing the attention of the martyr, urging her, I suppose, to consent to Mormonism. Truly it is high time these enemies of truth and children of falsehood were met and chastised with scorpions. I think facts should be published to contradict these abominable lies. There are times when it is necessary, in the spirit of Christian manliness, to rebuke hireling scribes. These are they whom our Lord likened to vipers in his day, full of venom, poison and spite, cowardly, sneaking, contemptible men, without principle, full of scoffing, forward, intolerant, insolent spirits, whose thoughts are derived from their father, the devil.

I was happy to receive the testimony of an American professor lately, from New York, now spending his vacation in Europe—

Q. "Doctor," I said, "have you been to Utah?"

A. "Yes, I have."

Q. "And what do you think of the state of society there?"

A. "I was perfectly astonished at all I saw and heard. Salt Lake is a city of wonders. Labor is the great secret of success. All work—there are no drones. Work is worship indeed, there."

Q. "What of Brigham Young? Is