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Original Poetry.

"CALLED AND CHOSEN."

"I say unto you many are called, but few are chosen."
JESUS.
Chosen to be faithful, then chosen because they are faithful.
BRIGHAM.

Called to be faithful, truthful, good,
Called, to be saints in these last days,
Called, to withstand the surging flood,
Of evil, through life's devious ways.

Called, to abide "the law of life,"
Called, to be noble on earth's sod,
Called, to have peace 'mid jarring strife,
And force a path to heaven and God.

Called, to ignore the ways of sin,
Called, to be proof 'gainst tempter's dart,
Called, an eternal life to win
And with the righteous have a part.

Called, to be soldiers in the fight,
Called, as the patriot chiefs to win,
Called, to maintain the truth, the right,
'Gainst "foes without and fears within."

Called, to succeed though hell may rage,
Called, to be manly, whole-souled, free,
Called, as a star on life's great stage,
To victory called, as God to be!

Chosen, because they stood the test,
Chosen, because no power could move,
Chosen, as God's anointed, blest,
In widening circles more to prove.

Chosen, to swell the faithful band,
Chosen, where trust must need be found,
Chosen, to Priesthood, bid to stand—
Or rule, by truth, on holy ground.

Chosen, as landmarks on life's wave,
Chosen, because they faithful stood,
Chosen, with power the lost to save,
And from the evil bring forth good.

Chosen, immortal lives to win,
Chosen, because they gained the day;
Chosen—to be as Gods, from sin,
And all its forces drawn away.

Who hath limitation? here is scope,
Who hath limit? here is inspired?
Hath one despaired that doth not hope,
And feel their every impulse fired?

Who called hath been (not chosen yet)?
But will you know the race to-day?
What labor, what hath labor set,
If he would claim the prize or pay.

In all our Israel, none should shrink,
None flee the track, unfaithful be,
That with the chosen they may drink
From fountains divine, by God made free.

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HOME ITEMS.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY.

THEATRICAL.—The performance last night, for Miss Alexander's benefit, was quite successful; the great spectacular romance of "Aladdin" being the chief attraction.

SKATING.—Every advantage is taken of this frosty weather, by those who like to enjoy the pleasant and healthful exercise of skating. The Hot Spring Lake has been the scene of unwonted activity on more than one day this week.

VALENTINE'S DAY.—Numbers of the special missives which are usually sent on this annual occasion, passed through the post office to-day, to the augmenting in some degree, of the revenue of that institution, and carrying pleasure to many of those who received them.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY.

LECTURES.—Last night, Mr. J. N. Barker lectured in the 13th Ward Assembly Rooms, on the Newtonian philosophy, to a large audience. The lecturer can certainly lay claim to a great amount of novelty, and no inconsiderable degree of originality. Still, before accepting new theories, matter-of-fact people demand that they be supported by strong reasons do not readily receive them upon mere assertion. We think Mr. Barker asks that too much be accepted without sufficient supporting proof.

SAD.—This forenoon, as a boy named Martin H. Snider, aged 9 years, a son of Father John Snyder, was coasting down the Heywood hill, in the 17th ward, with a number of other boys, he slid over a passing team, which caught him and ran over his body, crushing him in such a manner that death soon ensued. It is but a short time since we called attention to the danger arising from this mode of recreation, as it is indulged in now so largely, in some remarks on an accident—fortunately not serious—which occurred near the 20th ward. If boys and girls could engage in the exercise where there would

be no risk of their getting near passing teams in their sliding, the danger would be comparatively little; but where they slide down a hill, and across a street where teams driven quickly may be passing along, there is much risk. We feel sad that a boy should be thus crushed out of life, and sympathize with the bereaved relatives.

JORDAN IRRIGATION CO.—Pursuant to published notice, a full attendance of the officers and members of the Jordan Irrigation Company assembled for the purpose of electing a President and Board of Directors for the ensuing two years, at the Historian's Office, to-day. The meeting was called to order by Hon. Geo. A. Smith.

Prayer by Bishop Nathan Davis.
James McKnight was appointed Clerk.
On motion of A. M. Musser, seconded by Jos. F. Smith, Geo. A. Smith was unanimously elected President of the Jordan Irrigation Company.
On motion of Enoch Reese, seconded by Wms. W. Camp, Wilford Woodruff was unanimously elected Treasurer.

On motion of Geo. B. Wallace, seconded by E. Reese, Alonzo H. Raleigh was unanimously chosen one of the Board of Directors.
On motion of Jos. A. Young, Enoch Reese was unanimously chosen one of the Board of Directors.

On motion of David Evans, seconded by Benjamin Hiskey, Joseph A. Young was unanimously chosen one of the Board of Directors.
On motion of Nathan Davis, seconded by Wm. Gage, Andrew W. Cooley was unanimously chosen one of the Board of Directors.

On motion of Benjamin Hiskey, seconded by Charles S. Harmon, Henry Rudy was unanimously chosen one of the Board of Directors.
On motion of A. W. Cooley, Robert L. Campbell was unanimously chosen Secretary.

On motion of W. Woodruff, it was resolved that the financial exhibit and the proceedings of this meeting be published in the DESERET NEWS.
Adjourned sine die. Benediction by W. Woodruff.
J. McKnight, Clerk.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY.

LEFT FOR THE EAST.—This morning, at half past six o'clock, General H. B. Clawson, of the firm of Messrs, Eldredge and Clawson of this city (accompanied by his wife) and William C. Staines, Esq., took their departure for the East on the stage. Gen. Clawson has been selected to act as agent to take charge of the extensive immigration operations and interests of the church of Latter-day Saints in the East this coming Spring and Summer. In this business he will be assisted by William C. Staines, Esq., whose past experience and faithfulness in the same position on two previous occasions, are sufficient guarantee that he will ably assist Gen. C. in bearing the burden of care which will rest upon him.

Both these gentlemen go on their mission with the full confidence of the people, and many a fervent prayer will ascend in their behalf that they may be successful in all their movements. They are well qualified by a knowledge of what is required, and by integrity and business aptitude to discharge in the best possible manner, the duties entrusted to them. This business has always required trustworthy, diligent and experienced men to attend to it properly—men of judgment and good, practical habits. But this year especially, more than any that has preceded it, these qualities are likely to be called into requisition, for the numbers of those immigrating will be greater by far than they have ever been since our people commenced to immigrate.

It is a mark of great confidence to be selected to attend to these responsible duties; but we feel assured that under the blessing of the Lord, Brothers Clawson and Staines will prove every way worthy of it.

In addition to his public duties Gen. Clawson will have the affairs of the firm of which he is a member—the purchasing, forwarding, &c.—to attend to. The business of Eldredge and Clawson in the East must of itself be very considerable. To Mrs. Clawson the trip will be full of novelty. She has never been out of the mountains since she came here, a mere child, upwards of nineteen years ago. The outside world will be new to her; but amid all its novelty and attractions, her mind, we doubt not, will often revert to and long for her calm and peaceful home in this valley. We wish the party a pleasant journey and a safe return.

SABBATH MEETINGS.—Elder George D. Watt occupied the morning, encouraging the Saints to work righteousness and enjoy the blessings resulting from so doing.

In the afternoon, Elder Wilford Woodruff spoke at some length, exhorting his hearers on the importance of union in all things and obedience to the commandments of God revealed through His servants.

He was followed by President Young.

THEATRICAL.—On Saturday night "Woman's Love" was presented and was very neatly played, giving much satisfaction. It was followed by "Aladdin," and this fine spectacular piece again delighted the audience.

PRIZE FIGHTING.—In looking over our exchanges we are struck with the great interest there appears to be taken at the present

time in the prize ring. There is scarcely an eastern paper that we examine that does not contain the disgusting details of, at least, one prize fight, and, not unfrequently, more than one. It seems as though the spirit of war, which found vent during the rebellion on the field of battle, now seeks gratification in the narrow arena of the prize ring. Such exhibitions are dreadfully brutal, and do not speak well of the condition of society where they are patronized. It is not surprising that roughs of every class should find employment and patronage, as they do in frontier and newly established towns; but for the leading papers in the east, to chronicle the particulars of such matches, and thereby countenance and encourage them, seems sadly inappropriate.

The frequency of these contests at the present time, and the patronage and encouragement they meet with, remind one of the days of Rome's decadence, when gladiatorial exhibitions formed one of the chief amusements of the people. The increase of these things throughout our country is a sure sign of the demoralization which is in progress, and unless they are checked, the results will be most sorrowful and disastrous.

LEGISLATIVE.

Council.—A communication was received from the Adjutant General's Office, asking an appropriation for the Deseret Telegraph Co., for the use of the line for military purposes.

Gov. Durkee announced his approval of an Act incorporating Parowan City, in Iron Co.

Councillor Smoot presented a resolution authorizing the re-location of the Territorial road leading from Pleasant Grove City through the City of Provo, passed.

On Motion of Councillor L. Snow, six thousand dollars was appropriated to build a bridge over Provo river.

An Act incorporating Franklin City, in Cash County, passed.

The Governor and Secretary paid a short visit to the Council Chamber.

House. A message was read from the Council announcing their passage of an Act concerning libel; and an Act creating the office of Coroner, and prescribing his duties and certain duties of Justices of the Peace, and regulating the manner of holding inquests, &c.; also, an Act authorizing the Governor to appoint Commissioners to take acknowledgments of deeds or other contracts, and affidavits and depositions in the States and other Territories of the United States. Said bills were read the first time.

The Council announced their concurrence in the passage of the Cedar City Charter, and their passage of an Act amending an Act in relation to marks and brands. The latter bill was read the first time.

The Committee on Roads reported favorably on the petition of the City Council of Salt Lake City, and recommended that \$2,000 be granted said city for road purposes; the recommendation was adopted.

The Committee on Counties, to whom was referred the petition of W. G. Smith and others, praying for a change of county seat from Littleton to Morgan City, reported a bill for the purpose, which passed.

An Act defining the time of commencing civil actions was read the first time.

The Council announced their concurrence in Franklin City Charter, and their passage of a resolution authorizing the re-location of the Territorial road leading from Pleasant Grove City, through the City of Provo, Utah Co.

The Committee on Claims and Appropriations recommended appropriations asked for by Edw. Hunter and Lt. Gen. Wells.

On motion of Mr. West the petition of inhabitants of Plain City was returned to the Committee on roads for further consideration.

Adjourned till to-morrow at 10 a.m.

Council.—The report of the Recorder of marks and brands was received: read and referred.

The Auditor's reports on expenses of his office, and on delinquent taxes, were received: read and referred.

An act was received from the House, changing the county seat of Morgan County, which was passed.

A committee was appointed to act with a similar committee from the House, to examine the Auditor's and Treasurer's books and accounts, and destroy the redeemed Auditor's warrants.

Five hundred dollars was included in the general appropriation bill, to re-locate and work the road between Dog Valley and Cove Creek, in the southern part of Millard County.

A communication was received from the House, that they had passed an act authorizing the Governor to appoint commissioners to take acknowledgments of deeds, or other contracts, and affidavits and depositions in the States and other Territories of the United States.

Various sums were recommended to be embraced in the general appropriation bill, to cover outlay in excess of former appropriations specified in the Territorial Road Commissioner's report; and the Committee on claims, &c., was instructed accordingly.

Adjourned till Monday at 10 a.m.

House.—Petition of members of Brigade Court Martial of 2d. Brigade, 2d. Division, Nauvoo Legion, in relation to using fines assessed and collected for Regimental, Brigade and Division purposes, was received, read and referred.

The petition of Abram Hatch and others, citizens of Wasatch county, for an appropriation for road purposes, was referred.

A bill for an act amending an act concerning animals running at large, was read and referred.

Mr. Rowberry moved, that \$3,000 be expended on the Territorial road running west from Jordan bridge to Kesler's farm, in S. L. County: referred to committee on roads, &c.

A bill for an act repealing an act entitled an act incorporating the Kaysville Wagon Road Company, was read and referred.

The committee on agriculture, &c., reported at length on the working of the Estray Pound bill. Said report was ordered printed.

The Council announced their concurrence in the bill changing the county seat of Morgan county, and their appointment of a committee to examine the Auditor's and Treasurer's books and accounts, and destroy the redeemed Auditor's warrants.

The Council bill authorizing the Governor to appoint commissioners to take acknowledgments of deeds, &c., in the States and other Territories, passed.

Adjourned till 6 p.m.

NEWS FROM THE SOUTH.

We learn through a gentleman who has lately arrived from the South, that the grubbing hoe is being handled with amazing results by our young men who have recently moved to the Muddy.

They do not feed on as many dainties as are to be found in older-settled countries; but labor with a faith that defies obstacles. The desert howls, but must yield at their touch.

When we take into consideration the destruction wrought by the late floods, it is cheering to witness the indomitable courage of our southern citizens.

St. George, incorporated 10th February, 1862, enchants the traveler with its climate and general beauty. In the short space of six years, this settlement, now composed of about 1500 inhabitants, enjoys the satisfaction of being able to produce what fruit they need for home use, and quantities of wine which they expect to export.

A weekly paper is now published there by J. E. Johnson, Esq., that represents business generally in a prosperous condition, while its editor sits under his own vine and fig-tree, where none dare to molest him or make him afraid.

Washington, whose citizens seem to have taken the lead in the production of cotton, are now realizing the fruits of their labor. The establishment of Prest. Young's cotton factory in their town enables them to supply a quality of manufactured yarn that defies competition.

Harrisburg is being strengthened by persons from other settlements. A cavalry regiment is being organized by officers belonging to Brig. Gen. E. Snow's staff, to act as Minute-men, with headquarters at St. George. Steam and water-power mills are accumulating throughout the settlements, and a spirit of improvement in building and manufactures, is very general.

Bro. Jesse N. Smith was on his way north, loaded with cotton yarn for Joseph Birch, Esq., of Washington co. This was about the 25th of Dec., 1867. As he approached what is known as Dry Sandy, about seventeen miles north of Washington, he observed there had been a flood since the late travel. He selected the best place to cross, and, although he had a strong team, the quicksand was so heavy that he could not get through it. His wagon tipped over and he had only time to unlatch his horses and pack a small portion of the yarn to the bank, when another flood came upon him, bringing with it rocks and sand in such force as to shatter his wagon-box, turning his wagon endwise with the stream, and must have drowned Bro. Smith, had he not providentially caught hold of the wagon-tongue, which swung him to the opposite bank. Upwards of one hundred bunches of cotton yarn, a spring seat, a rifle, the bedding and the wagon bows were carried down the stream beyond all hope of recovery.

Joseph Schofield, a young man whose mother is a widow, and resides at Beaver, froze to death on the 23d ult. It appears that Schofield was employed with an elder brother in herding sheep belonging to Beaver, on Pine creek, three miles west of the road. On the 22d, he went out to the road to meet the mail to get a pair of boots, but must have lost his way while returning to the herd. On the 23d, his brother, having kept up fire all night in hopes of attracting him, started in search, and late in the day, found him so badly frozen that he was unable to walk. He had stopped during the night, in sight of Bro. Geo. Stringam's train, which was en route for the south; but he was unable to make himself heard, and the train moved off without knowing anything about him being there. His brother, finding his knees frozen, tried to carry him; but the frozen man became so delirious and fought so desperately that he could do nothing for him; but covered him with his coat and went to Cove Creek fort, five miles north, for help. Bro. Ira Hinkley immediately sent some men with a team, but they arrived too late to afford him any help. He was dead. The body was carried to Beaver for burial.