

is better than an uncertainty, and if the artificial swarming is done in a proper manner, and at the right time, it is a certainty.

To secure or hive a natural swarm of bees, I would say when the bees are discovered in a cluster on a bush or on the low limb of a tree, sweeten some water and sprinkle them thoroughly with it; then spread a sheet upon the ground or on a table. If the bees are clustered high enough place the empty hive on the outer edge of the cloth, with the entrance turned in; then strike the limb a sudden blow which will cause the bees to loose their hold of the limb, and drop in a bunch on the cloth. Brush them lightly towards the entrance of the hive; they will then commence to enter it, and all will go in. Keep a sharp lookout for the queen. Do not be mistaken about the drones, which are large "stout" bees and many of them are with the swarm. When the queen enters the hive the work is done. If it is very warm weather you may shade the hive until the evening, and then remove the hive to the place which you intend it to occupy all the summer. If the swarm has clustered out of reach get a ladder, sprinkle them, saw off the limb, bring them down to the cloth, and let them walk into the hive. But be sure you have the queen in the hive. Give them a frame of brood, honey, etc. If you have to buy it from your neighbor examine them next day, and place the frames three-eighths of an inch apart, filling the hive with frames. See that the bees build straight combs to start with. If not you must help them by cutting the combs and straightening them into the frames, so that at any time each frame can easily be taken out of the hive.

In handling or working with bees you must move slowly and without fear or hurry, and do not squeeze them more than you can possibly help. Much more could be said upon this subject, but this will suffice for the present.

A BEEKEEPER.

CURRENT EVENTS.

Edmunds Law Prosecutions.

Proceedings before Judge Judd at Provo April 11:

United States vs. John Beck; the defendant entered a plea of not guilty to a charge of adultery.

United States vs. Win. Racker; to charges of unlawful cohabitation and adultery the defendant pleaded not guilty.

Released From Prison.

On April 6 Sanford Bingham, of Riverdale, Weber County, was released from the penitentiary, where he has served a three months' term, and 30 days for the fine imposed, on a conviction for unlawful cohabitation.

On April 8 Apostle Francis M. Lyman was released from the Penitentiary, where he has been confined since the 14th of January last, on a sentence of 85 days' imprison-

ment for living with his wives. He paid the fine assessed against him.

Ell B. Hawkins, of Benjamin, Utah County, and Robert Crawshaw, of Cache County, who have also been in the penitentiary for unlawful cohabitation, were released April 8, after going before commissioner Norrell. The first named had a five months' term and the last named was sentenced to three months. In addition to this they received 30 days for the fine imposed.

On April 8 Stephen Nye, of Ogden, had a hearing before Commissioner Woolcott, and was discharged. He was also imprisoned for living with his wives, his term being three months. He served 30 days for the costs in the case. Brother Nye has been in ill health during his imprisonment, having been afflicted with rheumatic fever. His condition is somewhat improved from what it was a few weeks ago.

On April 9 Daniel B. Hill, of Wells-ville, Cache County, was released from the penitentiary, where he has served a six months' term for living with more than one wife. He also paid fine and costs amounting to \$145.15.

Smallpox at Provo.

At Provo, on the afternoon of April 6, Dr. Simmons was called to attend Mr. A. J. Stewart, who had just got back from Mexico and was staying at the home of August Allen, his son-in-law, in the Third Ward of that city. Fearing smallpox, but not being fully acquainted with the disease, the doctor returned next morning accompanied by Dr. A. O. Riggs, and both physicians became convinced that Mr. Stewart was afflicted with that dreadful malady. The house has been placed under the strictest quarantine.

Effects of a Change.

Ogden is now in the hands of municipal officers elected by the "Liberal" party, and considerable change has occurred with regard to gambling dens and similar places. The following is from the minutes of the session of the Ogden City Council, held April 5:

E. H. Anderson and about 25 others stated they had good reason to believe there was a house of ill-repute in a certain part of the city, and asked that it be abated and the sign taken down. Councilor Blaisdell stated that the owner of the house had rented it knowing what he was doing, but if there was a law to compel them to leave he would be in favor of putting them out at once. Mr. Heywood, city attorney, stated that a man could do as he pleased with his property. The law for the people in that vicinity was the same for them as for others and the courts were open for complaints. Referred to Marshal Metcalf.

Educational.

On April 9, in the Social Hall, an educational convention connected with the establishment and conducting of Church schools was held. The central committee of

education, a large representation from the Stake academies, and members of the various academical faculties were present.

Remarks pertinent to the object of the convention were made by Prof. Karl G. Maeser, Presidents Wilford Woodruff, George Q. Cannon and Lorenzo Snow, Brother James Sharp and others.

A considerable number of committees, in which most of the Stake educational organizations were represented, were appointed to consider a large number of questions pertaining to the movement. The results of the deliberations of these committees are to be submitted in writing by them, and in that shape transmitted to the Central Board, to be considered and acted upon. The questions are of a vital character, and action upon them will doubtless give the schools already in existence and those contemplated a fresh impetus.

He Has Repented.

On April 12 Mr. Henry Reiser, the watchmaker, received the following unsigned note, mailed in the postoffice in this city yesterday. The envelope also contained a \$15 watch which was stolen about four years since:

Mr. Henry Reiser:

Dear Sir—Enclosed you will find a watch I took from your store several years ago. I have never used it. I intended, to have returned it the first time I came to town, but neglected it until now. I am both ashamed and sorry for the mean act, and trust it will be the last time I will ever do the like.

Fatally Stabbed.

Patrick Mulvhill a young man who has been engaged as a miner at the Horn Silver mine, Frisco, is now at the Sisters' Hospital, suffering from a knife wound which the doctors say is necessarily fatal. The wound was received on Saturday, April 6, in a fight in a saloon. Two men came to blows, and it is stated that Mulvhill made an effort to separate them when one Kilmartin assaulted him. In the scuffle that ensued Kilmartin drew his pocket knife and struck two blows. With the second Mulvhill received a deep gash, four inches long, in the abdomen. It is stated that Kilmartin was arrested and then released. He has left the country.

Mills Burned.

Ricks & Co.'s flouring and saw mills at Rexburg, Idaho, were burned to the ground about midnight April 9. The loss is about \$7000. No insurance. Swen Johnson, the miller, was badly burned in making his escape out of the burning building.

Prairie Fires.

Extensive and disastrous prairie fires have lately been sweeping over extensive districts in southeast Dakota. In some instances the fire would leap across a plowed strip one hundred feet wide, and would sweep over the plain with the speed of a horse. The drought that has been