PIONEER DAY.

How the Twenty-fourth of July Was Observed in Various Places.

AT DESERET.

DESERET, Millard Co., July 25.—Pioneer day was celebrated here by one of the largest gatherings ever seen in Millard county. The three wards of Deseret, Hinckley and Oasis had joined in the great gathering and the fraternal spirit pervaded everything throughout the whole day. The large procession in the morning headed by the Hinckley and Oasis brass band under direction of pioneer Whitehead, marched followed by a long train of young ladies dressed in white with blue caps and red sashes accompanied by their male escorts; then came the pioneers under Captain Hutchinson—this outfit reminded one of blistered feet, buffalo chips, hardtack, hope and early confidence in God, and filled our hearts with gratitude for His manifest providence to the eight before us. Every society was well represented with numerous banners, many of singular design and appropriate motto. The music, and in fact all the program, was carried out in a most satisfactory manner. The orator of the day was Bishop Joseph H. Black, who proved to be well qualified for the task. The young men of Utah were represented by A. S. Hinckley, and right well did he fill that position in one of the brightest oratorical gems we have had the pleasure of listening to in many days. Holden Warner sailed about on the noble, untrue, stubby, over and round about a piano, until we lost him in music, wonder and admiration. To name all who did well would be to repeat the program. The Hope of Israel were in great force at the dance in the afternoon, and nearly a hundred tickets were sold for the short dance in the evening, the entire proceeds of which were given to the Deseret meeting house building committee, who had made a successful effort to prepare the house for this grand celebration. Long will young Israel remember this jubilee time. A. HOBB.

AT WEST WEBER.

WEST WEBER, July 25.—Arrangements had been made in this place by wise and earnest committees to make Pioneer Day one of the most enjoyable and interesting of any previous ones. At sunrise a salute of twenty-five guns to honor of the day, and a salute of three guns in honor of each organization in the Ward. A few minutes after the West Weber brass band, sailed in a wagon which had been arranged and tastefully decorated for the occasion, started out to serenade the people of the ward. This was kept up till about eight o'clock, and then, after partaking of something to refresh the inner man, and change of horses and driver, they again resumed their seats, when the procession under the direction of a marshal and his aids commenced to form. First came two pioneer wagons with covers and everything else in connection with the teams and harness and their mode of generally gave a fair representation of our people in '47. On the sides of one of the wagons I noticed the following inscription:

Poor, wandering, destitute and distress,
This was our cross in '47.

Then came the West Weber brass band. Next in order was the president of the Stake, represented by Elder C. F. Middleton, then came the Bishop and counselors. It would take up too much space to give a description of the different banners, but they were all the composition of Mrs. James H. McFarland Hen., and each one was well suited to the organization it represented. After the procession had made its trip, they entered this meeting house to dance. The pioneer wagons, according to the times of '47 and some time after, "hawed" round and camped for noon, when Jos. Atwood and family, who was one of the forty-seven, commenced to get dinner according to the old style, assisted by some who had upon them the makeup of Indians, and who had been selected to assist in this part of the program. While this part was going on an excellent program was being carried out in the meeting house. Singing by the choir, an oration, short speeches, songs and recitations made up the morning program. Tables were arranged in our new amusement hall, which is not completed, but enough to answer that purpose. After dinner the time was spent in various sports calculated to amuse both old and young. Music was furnished for those who wished to join in the dance. A party was held in the evening in which many of the members of the ward and their friends took part, and a most enjoyable time was spent. S. H.

AT ALBY, WYOMING.

ALBY, Uinta Co., Wyoming, July 24.—The Twenty-fourth at Alby went off in grand style (considering the dull times) under the golden rays of a beautiful, warm summer's sun. At 10 a. m. the procession, headed by the Alby brass band under the leadership of James H. Hood, left No. 7 and gathered up some wagon loads of school children and citizens at No. 5. The people have turned out from their homes in all the streets to see the procession and were greeting their friends with cheerful smiles as we moved through the camp. The lively rattle of saturday and Sunday made the rocky cleas and and which adorn each of the sentiment and convey one of the processions and the people on the ground. The arrival the lowery at 11 a. m. very procession has been made. The people from the surrounding districts, No. 2, 3, 4, 5 Yellow Ridge, kept up a steady ingress to the grounds to some two or three hours.

At 12:30 p. m. the formalities were opened by Joseph Dixon as musical.

Bishop James Brown, master of the day, addressed the congregation on the causes which had led to these annual celebrations, and in the course of his remarks pointed out that the persecution of the saints from their homes and from their honored city became the pride of civilization was simpler in some respects to the cause that led the Pilgrim Fathers to leave their native homes for this country.

At the point the well known selection from a lecture delivered by the late Colonel T. L. Kane was read, portraying the course of a deserted city. At the conclusion of the address the children received every one of them a sack of candy, and then commenced the contests for prizes by running and sleighing. The proceedings of the day were brought to a close by a public dance in the hall at night.

THE DARKER SIDE.

Suffering Wrought by the Demon of Drink—The People's Poverty.

No. 14 A Harrison Grove, Pattcroft, near Manchester, England, July 15, 1893.—Manchester, like many other large cities, has its share of poverty, distress, destitution and misery. Some of the poorest wretches on the principal streets are almost embarrassing to the casual observer. Among the chief sins committed by the poorer class is drunkenness. Besides the countless number of drinking saloons, it is quite common to see on nearly every street corner small grocery stores licensed to sell rum. It is an every day occurrence for not only men but women to enter these places. Women can be seen staggering off the steps of the ale houses, reeling to and fro under the influence of drink. And where are the children of these parents? Running the streets hungering for the necessaries of life. They have not been taught to worship God—have not been sent to Sunday meetings or Sabbath school. This is the example set them by their parents, seeking rum to the letter rule is instructed! How proud I feel to be a member of the Church of Jesus Christ, which teaches everything that leads—before us to observe the commandments of God, to be virtuous, virtuous, pure, temperate and walk strictly in the path which leads to eternal celestial.

Among the many deplorable sights of street life which can be related is the following: Not many days since there might have been seen a little boy of only three or four years of age, ragged and no on the rainy streets he was ragged and dirty—no hat, no stockings, no shoes, and no one to keep a watchful eye upon him. Shall I say he had no home? Well, he had a shelter, but it could hardly be called a home. Once he was his mother's darling, but I doubt if ever was his father's joy. And why should he not be his father's joy and out? There is one reason: Drink, the cursed drink, that was the cause. His sweet memoirs and what little talent he had was wrapped up in that demon—drink. It was the only God he worshipped. The boy had no mother, and could be seen with other ragged, dirty children (and there are thousands of them) playing on the crowded streets. At night the little fellow, tired and hungry, returns to his shelter. No loving arms to receive and tenderly care for him, no food prepared for him. He lays down on the hard floor and soon he is sleeping soundly. The little soul, not quietly! Sleep is sweet to the weary. Let us hope that although he has no comforts through the day, he may have pleasant dreams while sleep at night!

Probably near midnight the man (he is not worthy the name of father) returns to the cheerless home—of course he is drunk—and there he lays till morning. Had it not been for the kind attention of neighbors the boy might have been called to death. The other day the little fellow was found in one of the streets in a most filthy condition. His body was covered with vermin and thoroughly affected of clothing he had on was a ragged frock. At the request of the Manchester and Salford branch of the national society for the prevention of cruelty to children the man was arrested, tried and sent to jail with one month's hard labor. The punishment I consider was far too light. The child was handed over to Lady Howard, sister of the duke of Norfolk, who had consented to take charge of him on behalf of the society. He was well washed, a new suit of clothes put on him, and you would not have known it was the same child.

The Saints in England are generally poor, very poor, and many of them very poor. Some have barely enough to infant upon. Yet they are covered under the circumstances, and do not complain of their severity. Many of them walk up to the line of their duty as near as the impediments of their sisters will allow them. The great desire of their hearts is that the time and for death when they will be gathered to Zion, but their existence is exceedingly dreary to be very ebb. "Wait the Lord, wait the Lord is precious" is a very precious saying to those who are in fact in the school of the Prophet. Their prayers are daily offered up to their Heavenly Father that He will open up their way to go to the valleys of the mountains. Thank God our people in Utah who are blessed with circumstances of this world's wealth, if they only knew the future as we know it, would be more active in their efforts to gather the poor, honest-hearted, faithful Saints who are in these lands. There are many that whom we can heartily recommend, and feel assured they will, in the best of their efforts, remain faithful unto the Most High, who is God. And those who feel like taking stock they will be let better repaid for so doing, and receive more consolation in the Saints, than if they had put their money to the greatest interest which is possible to obtain. D. A.

Court Echoes.

Last evening, in the suit of L. A. Scott Elliott vs. George C. Whitmore et al, appellants, the transcript on appeal from the Third District court was filed with Clerk Dunn of the Territorial Supreme court. This is the ejectment case in which is involved the question of ownership of certain water rights in Cottonwood creek.

Catherine Rudwick commenced an attachment suit last evening in the Third District court against Evan J. Stout for $1,000, with interest at the rate of 8 per cent per annum from July 15, 1893.

E. S. Jeffery & Co. have begun proceedings in court against Greenbaum & Silverstone and N. H. Greenback and William Houghton to obtain judgment for $2,000 12-100 in promissory notes, and secure the above from June 1, 1890, at the rate of 8 per cent per annum.

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