WOMEN OF BABYLON.

The Customs of the Ancient City.

Possible Origin of the Matrimonial Phrase "Tying the Knot."

[From Exchange.]

Though polygamy was allowed and practiced, there was no trace of the harem system, a fact in which Babylon contrasts very favorably with Assyria, where the harem system is practiced. In Babylon women could possess property, and in certain contingencies could inherit property.

When a man died without leaving a son, his estate was inherited by his brother, or, failing a brother, the next in succession was a brother's son, whom, failing a brother or nephew, the estate passed to his daughter. There is an interesting instance in which a woman conducted a case in a court of law, which was something like our modern court of queen's bench. The woman represented the claims of her adopted son against the counter-claims of her husband's brother, she pleaded the case in person, and the judge decided in her favor. There are five tablets now in the British museum which are the identical documents this woman produced to establish her claim.

The institution of marriage had much in common with the marriage laws and customs in modern European nations. It was a civil contract solemnized by a religious ceremony. One part of the ceremony in the temple was very significant. The priest took a thread from the garment of the bridegroom and tied them into a knot, which he gave to the bride. This is probably the origin of the modern saying about tying the knot in regard to marriage. But according to Babylonian ideas it had a special significance. The most sacred covenant between two persons among the Semitic races was the "covenant of clothes."

This is the meaning of the incident recorded in I Samuel xviii 4, when Jonathan stripped himself of his robe and put it upon David. It was a solemn covenant of perpetual friendship. The knotted threads in Babylonian marriage had the same significance. This covenant of clothes explains the origin of the custom so often mentioned in the Bible of rending the garment as a sign of grief for the dead. It symbolized the friendship which had been severed by death. It is quite probable, too, that this is the underlying idea which prompted the touching of the hem of Christ's garment. It was a claim of friendship, and therefore of help. It is also possible that this gives the shade of meaning to the fact that when Christ died "the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom."

St. George Stake Conference.

The quarterly conference of the St. George Stake was held in St. George on September 9th and 10th, 1894. President Daniel D. McArthur presiding. Elder F. M. Lyman, of the Council of the Apostles, was in attendance, also Elder John D. T. McAllister, president of the Manti Temple, Elder Isaac W. Crosby Jr., president of the Panguitch Stake, and Dr. Joseph M. Tanner.

Saturday, the 8th inst., was spent in High Council, High Priests' and Stake Priesthood meetings. The Relief Society also held its quarterly stake meeting.

On Sunday morning the regular conference began its sessions, two of which were held that day and two on Monday. On Sunday evening, the 9th, the Mutual Improvement Associations and Sabbath schools held their conjoint quarterly meeting and were highly entertained by a brilliant address delivered by Dr. Tanner. Subject: "Constitutions."

At our Stake conference in addition to the usual reports and copious instructions on spiritual and temporal duties, Elder Lyman ordained Father William Fawcett a Patriarch; also five High Priests and two of them as Bishops, the other three he set apart as Bishops' counselors, and he set apart one High Counselor, one Bishop and one Bishop's counselor, who had previously been ordained High Priests.

The authorities, general and Stake, were sustained without a dissenting vote. The topics treated upon by the speakers were unusually numerous, and were most attentively listened to by the large congregations.

On the journey to St. George Elder Lyman and party had met with, and dispensed the good word to, six of the wards of this Stake; he will visit three other of our wards on his journey northward.

We have had a time of heavenly rejoicing in listening to "the fullness of the word of the Lord" vouchsafed to us in conference assembled.

JAMES G. BLEAK,
Stake Clerk.

Juab Stake Academy.

NEPHI, Utah, Sept. 13, 1894.

Editor Deseret News:

The Juab Stake Academy opened its doors for the 8th academic year Monday, August 27th. Our school is well attended and we will be at the Territorial Fair in October, prepared to compete with the schools of Utah.

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Literary Notes.

The London *Athenaeum* of August 25th says: "*The Manxman* has been an universal success. A first edition of twenty thousand copies ran low in a fortnight, and a second edition, marked 'twenty first to twenty-fifth thousand,' is now at hand." The book has just been issued in this country by D. Appleton & Co.

In *McClure's Magazine* for October Dr. Edward S. Holden, director of the Lick observatory, will consider the "Recent Advances in Our Knowledge of the Moon's Surface," and accompanying the article will be reproductions of the latest photographs of different parts of the moon.

County Teachers.

The first meeting of the Salt Lake County Teachers' association will be held at the University building tomorrow [Saturday] morning, at 10:30 o'clock. The time will be largely given to the election of officers and to the discussion of the educational exhibit at the Territorial Fair in October.

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