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Local and Other Matters

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY, DEC. 29.

Crazy.—Those acquainted with the soldier who flourished around in the 11th Ward, the other day, brandishing a couple of knives, etc., say he gets crazy whenever he drinks strong liquor, which, however, is the case with nearly everybody else who drinks liquor, if they take enough of it, only the manifestations of madness vary in different individuals.

How to Pay the Debt.—There is a more than average amount of good sense in the following suggestion by the *Richmond Enquirer* concerning the way to "settle" the debt of that State—

"The way to settle our debt—Fill the State with all sorts of good settlers who will settle down to work, and then settle it in your mind that you will work as hard as the settlers."

A Card.—The following was handed in to-day:

SALT LAKE CITY, DEC. 29th,
Editor Deseret News:

The Committee of the Fourteenth Ward Ladies' Fair wish, through the medium of your widely circulated paper, to return their most sincere thanks to the public and to each and all who have in any way aided to make the Fair a success.

Especially to those ladies and gentlemen who have assisted by their labor or donations, are our thanks due.

Most respectfully,

THE COMMITTEE OF THE FAIR.

A Dog Case.—There was a dog fight on the street the other day, and after the canine combatants got through and were separated a man named Householder picked one of the brutes up and dashed it upon the ground, breaking one of its legs, at which the owner of the dog was exceedingly wroth, as he valued his pet at not less than a hundred dollars, which is rather high for that kind of luxury in these depressed times. Householder was arrested on a warrant and was to have appeared before the police judge, at ten o'clock this morning, but he preferred not to face the issue, and went out of town.

Arrested for Swindling.—The Ogden Junction, of Dec. 28, says—

"Mr. John Seagers came up from Salt Lake to-day, with two discharged soldiers from Camp Douglas. They expected to obtain tickets at the depot on orders from the commanding officer, and had obtained money and food from Mr. Seagers, with the understanding that they were to sell him the passes and reimburse him for what they had received, as they did not want to go away. On receiving their tickets, they bid him good by, said they had obtained all they wanted of him, and intended to go to Omaha. Jack struck up town as fast as

he could, obtained the aid of an officer, and now the two "boys in blue" are in the city jail, waiting for an examination on the charge of swindling."

That Lamentable Case.—The NEWS of yesterday gave an account of the finding of a man under a culvert of the Utah Central Railroad, with his feet terribly frozen. Last evening he was recognized as being Johan Stauffer, a resident of Willow Creek, Box Elder county, and a native of Germany. The unfortunate man still refuses to speak a word. Yesterday Dr. Benedict was sent for and rendered him medical aid.

Last evening Brother Goss, of the United Order of Tailors, telegraphed to Stauffer's family, some of whom will reach here to-night for the purpose of conveying him to his home. He is evidently demented, and, under a condition of aberration of mind, must have wandered from home, and it is probable that, becoming weary, he lay down to rest where he was found in such a deplorable plight.

A Big Fight.—Last night a number of quartermen and others were in a saloon drinking, and, being of a frolicsome turn, engaged in the pastime of sparring and knocking off each other's hats. Two of them, residents of the 11th Ward, agreed to do some sparring over a chair, and while one of the two was stooping, in the act of placing the chair in position, the other gave him several blows on the face, damaging it considerably. The other straightened himself up and went for his antagonist in terrible style, cutting and bruising his head and face tremendously. The parties were arrested and taken before Justice Pyper, who fined the one who struck first \$20 and the other \$15.

Both men have families and should know better than to frequent drinking saloons and engage in drunken brawls, which are a disgrace to all who participate in them, and especially to those who profess better things.

The Work in the East.—Elder H. Jorgensen, of Huntsville, Ogden Valley, who left to go on a mission to the Eastern States on the first of last November, writes on the first instant, from the town of Albert Lea, Freeborn Co., Minnesota, that he has been laboring and preaching in Wisconsin and Minnesota, and that he has already baptized thirty-two persons and has good prospects for more baptisms. His present field of labor is so extensive and so promising that he needs assistance, and in order to furnish it Elder Anderson, of the Thirteenth Ward of this city, who was called on a mission to the east at the same time as Elder Jorgensen, intends to leave here on the 2nd of January, to join Elder Jorgensen. In this connection it may be as well to state that the friends of Elder Anderson will give him a benefit party in the 12th Ward school-house this evening to help him to pay the expenses of his journey eastward.

Wild.—About dusk last evening a drunken man was hallooing, yelling and whooping on the sidewalk, east side of the Temple Block, while another party was vainly trying to pacify him. The pacificator had to call upon Mr. S. H. B. Smith, who happened to be passing at the time, when, addressing the latter, the drunken fellow said, "Are you a Mormon? If you are, I want to see what you are made of," at the same time drawing up for a lunge at him. Mr. Smith seized his hands, and held them behind him with one hand, while he led him by the collar with the other, the fellow all the while wriggling and plunging about to get away. At the Deseret National Bank corner Mr. Smith was joined by another citizen, who assisted him to take the man to the City Hall, the latter being perfectly crazy with drink. When taken before Justice Pyper this morning he said he presumed he was guilty, but could recollect nothing whatever of the occurrence.

Gone to Washington.—The lately officially decapitated Governor

George L. Woods, and the high-toned U. S. Marshal Maxwell, are now en route for Washington, having departed for that point yesterday morning, as emissaries of the crusading ring. These two will probably be as good as could be selected from their crowd for the side of the people against whom they purpose to operate. It is very likely that the soon to be ex-Governor will employ considerable of his time in office-seeking, especially if the report be true that he has devoted some of his late spare time to learning Spanish with a view to a consulate. If the Washington folks are any ways keen at seeing through bombastes-furioso-braggadocio-highfalutinism, the high-sounding Woods is not likely to make much headway.

The refined delicacy of manners of the Marshal, who has again fled his official post to engage in lobbying for more special legislation, may do something for him by way of recommendation.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY, DEC. 30.

Advancing.—The upper room in the fine new school house in the 17th Ward is so far completed as to admit of holding meetings in it. The structure is creditable to the Ward.

His Hat.—If the party who wandered around in the 19th Ward the other night in that condition which is superinduced by swallowing strong liquors, and which enabled him to see several street corners at a time, instead of one, will call at the store of Mr. Jones, jeweler, First South Street, he can get his hat.

Another Telegraph Office.—We were called upon this afternoon by J. J. Dickey, Esq., superintendent of the Atlantic and Pacific Telegraph Company, and Charles Drake, Esq., operator on that line. We learn from Mr. Dickey that the company, having made arrangements to connect with this City, will open an office, on New Year's Day, in H. R. Mann's insurance office, one door north of Walker Brothers'.

Short Weight.—To-day a coal hauler was arrested on complaint of his employer, on a charge of embezzlement. The facts in the case appear to be that when the accused received an order to deliver a ton of coal to a customer he would go to the coal depot and obtain under weight, charging the parties with a full ton and pocketing the balance. An examination was being held before Justice Pyper this afternoon.

Disturbing Parties.—A couple of youths were before Justice Pyper yesterday afternoon, charged with creating a disturbance in a party in one of the lower wards. The evidence showed that one of the two was under the influence of liquor, and, while capering about, ran against and knocked down the other's partner. This so aroused the indignation of the youth that he knocked him down, creating quite an uproar and excitement and causing the breaking up of the party. They were each fined \$5. All who act in this same unseemly manner at social gatherings should be similarly if, not more rigorously served.

Broom Making.—We have been permitted to peruse a letter to Brother Kelson, of the 6th Ward, from H. B. Scoville, now in St. Louis, where he has gone for the purpose of becoming thoroughly initiated into the handwork of broom making, with a view to establishing a factory for that kind of manufacture at Ogden, on his return, which will be within a few months from now. He is under a competent instructor in the business, and is making fine progress. He desires Brother Kelson to find out whether there is any broom making machinery in the Territory, he desiring to find out whether it would be cheaper to ship from St. Louis, or purchase here, provided it can be got in this locality. He is prepared to forward, to parties desiring it, broom corn of the best quality, with proper instructions about raising it.

City Council.—The regular weekly meeting of the City Council was held last evening, Mayor Wells presiding, when the following, among other matters of business, was attended to:—

Petition of Wilford Woodruff, asking for the construction of a plank walk across South Temple Street, east side of West Temple Street, and a flume to carry the water of the sect across West Temple Street, on the south side of South Temple Street; referred to committee on streets and alleys.

Committee on municipal laws reported a bill for an ordinance repealing an ordinance relating to physicians, and recommended its passage; report adopted, bill read three times and passed.

Mr. C. Popper requested that the ordinance relating to slaughtering be amended so as to make compliance with its provisions less inconvenient; referred to committee on municipal laws.

Cruelty to Animals.—Yesterday afternoon A. Duncan, a young man, attracted the attention of a crowd of indignant people, on First South Street, by his brutal treatment of an unfortunate mule, on which he was riding. It appears the poor brute did not go fast enough to suit him, so, while on its back, he pounded it over the head with a rock, cutting it so that the blood flowed. Several parties cried "shame," while he was thus engaged, but he paid no attention to those protestations, until a couple of police officers came up and took him into custody. Justice Pyper fined him \$25.

No wonder the mule couldn't go very fast, as it had travelled from American Fork the same day.

An association for the prevention of cruelty to animals would not be amiss in this City now-a-days. There are some work horses to be seen around on the streets occasionally that are suggestive of the idea that somebody has commenced to build houses and stopped after putting the frame together, neglecting the outside coating.

How It Is.—A day or two since a couple of ladies, mother and daughter, called upon the police judge, in this City, seeking for advice, under peculiarly distressing circumstances. Both had become acquainted, some time since, with a transient whose headquarters were, for the time being, in one of the mining camps in this vicinity. He asked the hand of the young lady in marriage, but she told him she had no affection for him and did not want him. He was, however, persistent, and by telling her a lot of twaddle about saving him from ruin, &c., as his property was in danger of being confiscated on account of his being bondsman for some party who had disappointed him, he gained her consent and they were married. The two lived for some time subsequently with the old lady, he never paying one cent for board.

The two afterwards went to Birmingham, where the fellow failed to pay anything for his wife's board. Then they returned to town and commenced housekeeping, she going out to work to support them both, and, to wind off with, while she was absent from home, a few days since, he carried away every available article, and has told her he doesn't care anything about her.

The foregoing is the story as told by the mother and daughter, and, excepting perhaps slight variation in details, it is similar to many a tale of marriage, desertion and general scoundrelism, and which should act as a warning to young women of this community to steer shy of parties about whose real characters they have not certain means of ascertaining the facts, and to mothers of children who should be exceedingly careful about whom they allow their daughters to form associations with, for in many instances parents manifest much less sense than their children in such matters.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, DEC. 31.

Reduction of Tariff.—On and after January 1, 1875, the tariff by Deseret Line to Farmington, Kaysville, and Ogden, will be 30 cents for ten words.

Born, in the 16th Ward of this City, Dec. 31st, 1874, a daughter, to Ellen, wife of Mark Jones, Esq., engineer on the Wasatch and Jordan Valley Railroad.

At His Old Tricks.—Charles L. Boonville, the same who was chased in the First Ward by citizens for indecent exposure of his person and who stole an overcoat from Mrs. McKay's boarding house, some time since, was at his old tricks to-day. He behaved in a most disgusting manner towards some ladies, was chased and captured by a citizen, who afterwards let him go again.

Bound for Hell.—We are pained to learn that Mr. Andrew Sears, a citizen of Twiggs county, who has heretofore borne an unblemished reputation, left home a short time ago for Macon with six bales of cotton, which he sold, and with the proceeds in his pocket, left for parts unknown. A friend received a letter from him a few days ago, dated at Salt Lake City, Utah, and he wrote that he was on his road to "hell." Pecuniary embarrassment is said to be the cause of his flight. He leaves a young wife and baby to the cold charities of a selfish world. —*Wilkinson, Ga., Appeal.*

Till Robbery.—Last evening Charles La Mar, who keeps a lunch stand in the Stock Board saloon, was engaged in passing a few leisure moments with the bar-keeper. While his back was turned a man named Kelly, a notorious thief, slipped behind the counter, took the money drawer out, laid it upon a barrel, pocketed the contents, \$12 currency, and started off. As soon as the theft was discovered La Mar informed the police who hunted around for the thief and finally got track of him. La Mar spoiled the capture, however, by posting off ahead of the officers to Gus Rynning's saloon, south of the railroad depot, which he entered, and, despite the warning gesticulations of the saloon keeper, loudly and rapidly gave a description of Kelly, asking if he had been there, the thief being present at the time listening to him, and, taking the hint, he bolted. The officers arrived about three minutes later, and he has not yet been found, the supposition being that he has left town, for which nobody need be sorry, as a character like Kelly can well be spared from hereabout. There are a few others around loose, the absence of whom would make the moral atmosphere of this city more healthy.

Kelly is supposed to be the same party who was discovered sneaking behind the counter of Liddell & Brown's store one day last week, intent on plunder.

A Most Important Enterprise.—On Tuesday, the 29th inst., The Utah Southern R. R. Extension Company organized in this City with a capital stock of \$4,000,000, the following being the officers who have been elected—

William Jennings, President; John Sharp, Vice-President; William H. Hooper, Horace S. Eldredge, Feramor Little, James Sharp, and John Sharp, Jr., Directors, and John T. Little Secretary and Treasurer.

The object of the Company is of considerable magnitude and importance, being to extend a line of railroad southwards from the southern terminus of the Utah Southern, on the northern border of Juab Co., to the 37:30 parallel, on the border of Washington Co., a distance of two hundred miles, passing through the counties of Juab, San Pete, Beaver and Iron. The estimated cost of building of this extension has been placed at \$6,000,000.

It is almost impossible to say how much this railroad will do in developing the resources of the Territory; probably as much or more than any other single enterprise has ever done.

It is intended to commence work on the road as soon as the piece of the Utah Southern now in course of construction is completed, and efforts will be made to have the whole in operation within four years from the coming Spring.