

ties, honesty, fair-dealing, and living according to the principles of righteousness in all things, that the blessings flowing from such a course of life may be enjoyed by the Saints.

An extract from the Book of Mormon, pages 318, 319 and 320, on the resurrection and restoration, was read by the Clerk, after which

Pres. D. H. Wells spoke for some time, treating on the desire manifested by almost all mankind at some period of their lives for the eternal welfare of their souls, and the means adopted by Satan to deceive them in leading them to believe error for truth and thereby seeking to satisfy that desire while leading them in darkness. Hence the many religions that exist in the world, and the power they exercise over the human mind; this being the surest means adopted by the adversary to lead men to destruction. He pointed out the blessings and exaltation which are the consequences of receiving and living according to the truth; and showed that the time is not far distant when they who stand in holy places, authorized of God, shall go forth with the power of the resurrection, and, acting with angels behind the veil, shall accomplish the purposes of the Almighty for the exaltation of His faithful Saints.

Pres. H. C. Kimball instructed the Saints on individual responsibility, men and women having to be righteous for and of themselves, independent of the sayings or doings of others. He treated briefly on family government, and its order; and exhorted the people to hearken to the words of the Lord, and keep His commandments in temporal as well as in spiritual matters.

**THEATRICAL.**—On Tuesday evening the fine comedy of Still Waters Run Deep was performed in most excellent style. Mr. Pauncefort's John Mildmay was a finished and artistic performance. Mrs. Waugh as Mrs. Sternhold, Miss Colebrook as Mrs. Mildmay, and Mr. Malby as Potter, were very good. We were pleased to see Mr. Caine once more on the boards, and in a character which he plays with such ease, and grace as Hawksley: he was warmly greeted.

The Wilful Ward was the closing piece, in which Messrs. McKenzie, Lindsay and Graham and Miss Adams sustained the characters; the first named gentleman and the lady having the leading parts, in which they charmed everybody. The farce was well played.

Between the pieces Mr. Hardie sang "Sherman's March to the Sea," in a very effective manner.

On Thursday night Mr. Dunbar took his benefit, and had a good house. The bill was a varied one, and the playing, singing and dancing were very superior. The drama was the Bride of Lammermoor, with Mr. Pauncefort as Ravenswood, Mr. Dunbar as Caleb, Mr. McKenzie as Bucklaw, Miss Colebrook as Lucie, and a capital cast for the other parts. Mr. Hardie is entitled to credit for his rendition of the bustling coward Craigengelt.

After the drama, Mr. Dunbar sang three characteristic songs; was called before the curtain, and appeared. Little Miss Clive danced the highland fling and was enjoyed. Then followed the petite comedy, The Little Treasure, Mr. Pauncefort playing Walter Maydenblush, Mr. McKenzie Sir Charles, and Miss Adams Gertrude. The cast was good and the characters were well sustained.

On Saturday evening, the 11th inst., the fine drama of Belphegor the Mountebank was performed to a delighted audience. The playing, scenic arrangements, costumes, and every adjunct of the piece, were most excellent. To particularize would require too much space, to make selections would be invidious; yet we must say Mr. Pauncefort's Belphegor was vivid, natural and artistic; Miss Adams as Madeline exceeded any previous effort; and little Miss Delle fully sustained her character as a public favorite.

For Thursday night there is a fine bill announced for the benefit of Mr. J. S. Lindsay.

**RETURNING.**—President Young and company are expected to arrive this afternoon. We understand that the deep respect and love entertained for the President here, as elsewhere throughout this Territory, will most likely manifest itself in a large number going out to meet him, and believe that in view of this there are arrangements made to have this exhibition of popular feeling properly arranged that all may be in order. Such spontaneous manifestations of respect and love show the deep root he has in the affections of the people.

**ARE THERE MANY SUCH?**—A person passing through this city recently got into conversation with a gentleman of intelligence and strict veracity, one of the brethren, and very frankly informed him that about all he knew of the "Mormons" was that they had a plurality of wives:—he did not know whether he believed in the divinity of Christ, in the Bible, in God; or in fact in anything except polygamy. Judging by the way in which some folks east and west speak of us, it is just probable that there are numbers of such paragons of knowledge, whose education relative to the inhabitants of Utah has been entirely dependent upon the wonderfully reliable (?) statements of people who have tried how far they could pull the long bow and be believed.

**The WEATHER.**—Friday morning:—

Great Salt Lake City, very warm and dry; cloudy this morning.

By Deseret State Telegraph Line:—

Brigham City, clear and pleasant, very dry.

Payson, very fine, warm and pleasant, with a slight breeze from the south.

Nephi, fine, warm and pleasant; trees all blossoming finely.

Manti, fine and warm.

Fillmore, clear and pleasant, very dry.

Cove Creek, warm and pleasant.

Toquerville, very warm and pleasant.

St. George, clear, warm and pleasant.

Monday morning:—

Great Salt Lake City, clear and beautiful.

By Deseret State Telegraph Line:—

Logan, clear and very warm, but rather cold at nights.

Brigham City, clear, but very dry.

Payson, very fine, clear and warm, very dry, no clouds visible.

Nephi, clear, warm and pleasant; garden stuff growing finely.

Manti, fine and clear, froze the last two nights.

Fillmore, clear, pleasant and very dry.

Beaver, very warm and clear; last Saturday was the coldest day since the close of winter.

Tokerville, very warm and clear.

St. George, clear and very warm.

**HIGH WATERS.**—The warm weather of last week melted the snow so rapidly that the streams and rivers rose unusually fast and high, and did considerable injury in places, which would most likely have been much more serious if it had not been for the cold nights of Friday, Saturday and Sunday, and the cool weather during the two last named days.

Red Butte rose to an unusual height for the season, swept around several houses and through several lots in the 1st Ward; it broke out of the channel in which it has been running for some time, rushed into its old channel, and filled a large embankment, 63 feet high, which Bishop John Sharp had put in; it did a good deal of damage to Bishop Lorenzo D. Young's garden, in that Ward, flooded a portion of the five-acre lots down towards President Young's Mill; and in all caused serious loss, having done much damage. The waters are again turned into their usual course, and the inhabitants of the Ward are controlling the stream as well as they can, being aided with assistance rendered by the city.

Emigration Creek has also done much damage to the five-acre lots. It overflowed the State Road, with Big Canyon Creek; and if it had not been for the energy of Supervisor Sheets, aided by Commissioner McKean and Supervisor McLellan, the damage done would have been of a very serious character. By dint of energy and hard work they were able to control the waters, though still the low lands, in the southern part of the corporate limits, are receiving injury, being under water to a considerable extent.

If the gentlemen named continue their exertions for a short time longer, which we have no doubt they will do, the State Road now passable will, we believe, be kept so, which will be no slight benefit to the traveling public.

City Creek has been high, but has done no damage as yet reported, being kept in bounds by the aqueduct formed for it last fall.

Jordan is said to be fuller than in ordinary high waters at this period of spring, though it has been as high before at the same time of the year, when spring has been earlier.

Reports are received of high waters north and south. The Spanish Fork was said to be so high on last Friday that it was believed it would be impassable in a day or two, unless cold nights should cause it and other streams to lower.

**CHILD FOUND.**—The propriety of the western side of the city was startled on Monday morning by the body of a new born infant being found in the aqueduct in North Temple St. On tracing the matter up it was found to be the child of a young squaw, who had been initiated into the principles of the "regeneration," and threw her infant into the water when born.

**EASTERN MAILS.**—A passenger in from the east, by mail stage, reports a large quantity of mail matter at different points on the route, laying close to stations without any protection from the weather or covering of any kind except the sacks. Part of these being simply tied, anybody can help themselves freely to reading matter. Is this thing to continue? or will there be an improvement during this summer and before another winter?

**A "CARD."**—Messrs. Walker Bro's. design turning their business exclusively into the wholesale line, which their large stock of goods and extensive store enables them to do. We understand that they disclaim connection with the clique who made themselves famous, or infamous, some time ago, with that memorable "Card." We are glad of it, for we always objected to anybody who could reasonably claim to be a gentleman being mixed up with the contemptible lot. Read their advertisement.

**GUNS.**—Ross & Barratt have a fine lot of Ballard rifles for sale, with slings and ammunition. They are reliable and courteous gentlemen. Give them a call.

**THE WEBER BRIDGE.**—The public will be pleased to learn that the new bridge over the Weber river is nearly completed. Warren Childs, Esq., with his men, are vigorously at work, Sundays not excepted, to hasten the re-opening of this great northern thoroughfare. It is expected that the plank will be laid and everything in readiness for crossing on the 11th inst. It is double-tracked, built on spiles, and will doubtless resist the rushing high-water floods of the Weber for many years. The entire length of span is 290 feet. Of course, since the waters of the Weber have become so turbulent, fording has been out of the question, and the travel has been diverted to the lower road, by way of Plain City, where the substantial toll spile-bridge constructed by Edmund Ellsworth, Esq., the past winter, proves of infinite service. He and others are making a wake in taking up new farms there.

**MILL DEDICATION.**—Messrs. Anson Call & Co. have just completed a substantial grist mill at Centreville, Davis Co., which was dedicated, a few days since, in the presence of Bishops Stoker and Leavitt and a goodly number of citizens, including the proprietors, who constitute the co-operative organization at Stoker, under the style of Call & Co.

Preceding the dedicatory prayer, short addresses were delivered by the Bishops, Elders Telford and Call, Judge Holbrook and millwright Lancaster. A palatable repast of good things brought the occasion to a very refreshing conclusion. The mill has since been doing uniformly good work and the people of both settlements are gratified in its erection. It was christened the "Centreville Rock Mill."—[Com.]

**FIRES.**—On the 2nd inst. the stables of Isaac Farley, at Ogden, were consumed by fire; loss about \$500.

On the evening of April 30, the sheds and other frame outhouses of Edward Stratton, wool-carder, at the Hon. John Taylor's mill, were burned—the fire taking from ashes thrown down in contact with the side of the premises; loss \$200. Br. S's dwelling was with difficulty saved.

**SENTENCED.**—Of the burglars that were on trial before the Probate Court, as noticed in our last issue, three were sentenced to two years imprisonment in the penitentiary with hard labor. Their names are Saunders, Jack Town and a man known as "Frenchy." The rest of the accused were discharged, there being nothing shown to prove them guilty; and they produced proof of having worked sufficient during the past winter to support them.

**POLICE COURT.**—John Buchanan was brought before his Honor, Justice Clinton, on Tuesday, 7th, on the charge of stealing several articles from a small trading store; he was convicted and received fifty days.

On the same day Samuel Pate and Henry Walker, colored men, for selling whiskey to Indians, got twenty-five days each.

**THIEVING.**—The late raid of our efficient police on a gang of thieves in this city; the conviction of some stray ones recently, and some other "developments" of a similar character here and in other places throughout the Territory, hold out a warning to the people to be exceedingly watchful over everything that can be driven or carried away, while these gentry of the "regeneration" remain in the country. They appear to be nearly the "tailings" of the lot, and after endeavoring to run through all kinds of dissipation, manifest their "principles" to the end, and seek to live on the honest industry of others—as usual. Look after them.

**ART IN THIS CITY.**—We read in *Humphrey's Journal of Photography*, a couple of days ago, a notice of photographs produced in this city, which is at once creditable to the city and to the artists who produced them, Messrs. Savage & Ottinger. Speaking of them, Professor John Towler, the Editor, one of the best photographic critics in the world, says: "These specimens are irreproachable, and equal to the best in our cities here in the east. Brigham Young ought to feel highly gratified in having such a superior photographic historian (so to say) in his domains." Notices like this must be gratifying to such artists as Savage & Ottinger, and stimulate them to excellence.

**STARTED.**—Bishop Sharp's ox-train rolled out on Friday morning, for the east. It is accompanied by a number of individuals going to the eastern States and other parts. The train is well organized, and capable of traveling safely through in case the Indians should be troublesome. We wish those who travel with it all prosperity in their journey.

**MR. LINDSAY'S BENEFIT.**—This gentleman takes a benefit on Thursday night, the last benefit and the last night but one of the Season. He has studied hard for the position he has won, and never yet disappointed the public. His quiet manners, careful acting, and undoubted abilities have made him a general favorite. The Three Guardsmen and the Irish Post, selected for the occasion, are two most excellent pieces, and will please everybody, whether grave or gay. Mrs. Careless, the popular songstress sings between the pieces. We bespeak a good house for the evening.

**PRESIDENT YOUNG'S COMPANY.**—President B. Young and company left Parowan on Friday morning, for Beaver, where meeting was to be held at 4 in the afternoon.

**SERENADING.**—The brass band of the 10th Ward, with the spirited feeling which characterizes the ward, were out on Wednesday night, on a serenading tour to the missionaries who are about learning. Their attentions were appreciated; and it is gratifying to note the progress which they have already made in the study of music, and in proficiency in the use of their instruments.

**BENEFIT.**—We understand that Mr. J. S. Lindsay is up for a Benefit at the Theatre, next week. That will be the last week of the Spring Season, and he the last member of the Company so favored. Mr. Lindsay is a painstaking actor, and a gentleman who has risen high in public estimation, and deservedly so, by assiduous attention to his duties. We are pleased at being able to speak so highly of the ladies and gentlemen composing the company. Give Mr. John a good house.

**CITY CREEK.**—This stream, which has been a source of terror in past springs to the citizens of North Temple St., when melting snows raised it beyond its accustomed limits, now rushes down the channel made for it last fall with a circumspection that bespeaks its complete control. It is pleasant to stand at the east end of the street, and looking west watch the now bridled and curbed stream dashing on to the Jordan. The money expended on that aqueduct has been a good investment.

**YOUNG PIGS** wanted at this Office; see notice. One of our industrious hands says he could do with the sides, hams, and fore-legs of a good sized old one; but don't wish to make it public.

**IMPROVING.**—The now elegant store of Eldridge & Clawson is receiving further touches of adornment from the painters, making it even a still more handsome and a finer business place than before. The sect in front has been bridged over for the advantage of the stages-reaching the post office; and there is a strong tide of business and popularity setting in that direction. By the by, the finest suite of business offices that we have seen in the city is up stairs in the same building, the rooms are for rent, offering a good opportunity for legal, medical and other gentlemen to secure offices.

## Correspondence.

EDITOR DESERET NEWS:

Your correspondents having returned, after a ten days tour over mountains and through deserts, in search of thieves and stolen stock, report that we conclude that much stock has been driven west to Austin and other places during the past winter and spring, and hereby recommend all citizens to carefully look after their stock, or hire it faithfully done; and let every county, city and town keep a diligent watch upon indolent, lazy men who do nothing but sleep in the day and steal at night. Particular attention should be given to speedily meting out proper punishment to those who persist in stock-sealing.

More anon.

H. F.

[The foregoing information is reliable and the recommendation timely and good. We at present merely add an oft repeated advice to keep only such stock as can be well and profitably cared for and used, or that can be hired faithfully done, and thus cut off much thieving, winter losses and cruelty to animals, none of which pay the owners.]—Ed.

**ELECTRICAL STATE OF THE EARTH'S CRUST.**—M. Matteucci has discovered that if the surface of the earth be connected at different altitudes by a conducting wire, a constant current of electricity will flow from the lower to the higher point of contact, the intensity of which will be in proportion to the difference in altitude of the two points. Geological formations and atmospheric changes will of course modify this action.

A NEW YORK clergyman recently in the course of a sermon bewailing the coldness of his flock in religious matters, said the kind of conversion most sought after by church members of late had been the conversion of seven-thirties.

**ANTIDOTE FOR LAUDANUM.**—Hall's *Journal of Health* says:

We once saved the life of an infant which had been inadvertently drugged with laudanum, and was fast sinking into the sleep from which there was no waking, by giving it strong coffee, a teaspoonful every five minutes, until it ceased to seem drowsy.