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A Letter from Judge Cochran.

The publisher is in receipt of the following personal letter from Judge Cochran, which he deems of sufficient general moment to reproduce in print for the benefit of the readers of THE TRIBUNE and of the judge's many friends here and hereabouts:

SALT LAKE CITY, May 25.
F. M. KIMMELL, Dear Sir and Friend: After casting about several months for a location I have at last cast my lot here. I confess I see no present prospect of making money or securing a law practice here, as every line of business, and the profession of law, is well represented by men of merit and a bar of numerical strength as well. But I think there is a good future in store for the territory and the city. They are expending more money in public improvements here than in any city I have seen lately, and there are more good and substantial improvements in the shape of business blocks built and under headway than I have seen elsewhere. The Mormons, too, will, I think, exert themselves to the extent necessary to keep the city in the front of the great procession. They are very much changed from the condition we have been taught they were in. Their young men are in various kinds of business enterprises and they are wide awake to the methods pertaining to securing preferment and the dollar, and if I am not greatly mistaken they are looking much more to the material prosperity of their people than to the advancement of their religion. They seem to be a good business people; the finest stores in the city, and I think some of the finest I ever saw, are kept by the Mormons in this city. They are much more conservative than I supposed, however, and are averse to rapid strides in the way of public improvements. I have seen some cities and states where a more conservative policy would have been better than the one pursued. The largest temperance gathering I ever saw, and Rev. Wolley, the lecturer, says the largest strictly temperance meeting ever assembled in the United States, was held here Sunday night at the Mormon tabernacle, between ten and eleven thousand people being in attendance. It was a union temperance meeting of the Mormon and all the other churches of the city, the ministers all occupying places with the Mormon bishops and elders.

I have formed a partnership with C. H. Martin, formerly of Oxford. We have rented rooms in the Commercial block, the finest office building in the city. We have a very comfortable home six blocks from the office at a rent of \$20 per month; it is not a fine house, but a comfortable little brick of five rooms, closets, city water, etc., and on the street car line; however, it is within walking distance of the office, church or schools. Mrs. Cochran and Alice very much enjoy the change and imagine they are much benefitted already. Their appetites are much improved and Mrs. Cochran walks more here in one day than she did back there in a month; Sunday we walked three miles and yesterday over four miles. We have been boarding and living in furnished rooms and the rest has contributed much, I presume, to their improved condition as the change of mate. If the territory and improves as I hope and think will, this will certainly be a location for all branches of

business; but if from the depression of silver or any other cause it should be checked in its present progress, I think it would then be a very poor location for any kind of business. I find we have to take some chances wherever we go.

By-the-way I have not received your paper since coming here, and I believe I understood that you would send it to me; perhaps it may be coming but not to the correct address; send to 74-5 Commercial block, Salt Lake City.

I find very many people here whom I knew in different parts of Nebraska.

Regards to you all,
J. E. COCHRAN.

INDIANOLA ITEMS.

E. J. Tubbs of Nemaha county is visiting friends in this vicinity.

The closing exercises of the high school will be held, Friday (this) evening.

Deputy Grand Master O'Neill attended the meeting of the Odd Fellows lodge, Tuesday evening.

Charles Donner, formerly with Ernest Rathbun, has purchased Dennis Fitzgerald's barber shop.

J. J. Wilson and wife started, Tuesday morning, to take in the excursion to Sheridan, Wyoming.

License to commit matrimony was issued on May 27th to W. R. Wadkins and Bertha Kincaid, of Danbury.

Miss Lettie Ridgeway, formerly of Bartley but late of Denver, is visiting with the family of her uncle John Packer.

The boys of the Modern Woodmen are getting uniforms. Their hats with green and white plumes look very beautiful.

Rev. James Lisle preached the memorial sermon at the Congregational church last Sunday morning, and at the request of many of the citizens The Courier is publishing the same in full this week.

Patrick McKillip of North Valley was in our city, Wednesday, and reported a very heavy rain in the eastern part of the county on Tuesday, considerable damage being done to roads and bridges.

Rev. P. C. Johnson, formerly presiding elder of the Indianola district, and at present grand chaplain of the I. O. O. F., after delivering the oration at Bartley on Tuesday, drove to this city to visit old friends and meet with the Odd Fellows lodge. He left on No. 2 Wednesday morning for his home at Friend.

The memorial services were broken into, Tuesday, by the slight shower that came up about noon. The services at the cemetery were postponed until after the oration which was delivered by Rev. E. J. O'Neill, of Pawnee City, and was a masterly effort, highly pleasing the large audience that crowded into the double room of the high school building. After the oration a line of march was formed in the following order: Sons of Veterans, Daughters of Veterans, Modern Woodmen, school children, G. A. R., W. R. C., followed by citizens and marched to the cemetery and decorated the graves of departed soldiers and a mound dedicated to the unknown dead.

A FEW Nebraska newspaper men are evidently dissatisfied with his excellency Governor Crouse. So far as THE TRIBUNE is able to judge the governor is attending strictly to his knitting and is not making any special bid for the approbation of the newspapermen aforesaid.

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