

THE MORMON PERSECUTIONS.

The Subject of an Interesting Letter Received in Omaha.

DEATH ON THE RAILROAD.

J. Levi's Fatal Ride—The Lewis Verdict—Bicycle Notes—Building News—Local Laconics, Etc.

Mormon Outrages.

Mr. Grant Williams, a gentleman employed in the office of the car-service department of the Union Pacific yesterday received a letter from his aunt, Miss Ada Stone, who lives at Tuba City, Arizona, a few miles from the Utah frontier.

The missive is a particularly interesting one, for it tells of the outrageous treatment she, with her husband, has received at the hands of the Mormons. The letter is dated at Hubbel's ranch, a few miles from Tuba City, near the Navajo reservation. In it the writer says: "We are all here, Hubbel's place. Have been driven out of home and home by the Mormons. Old Lot Smith is at the head of the gang. He is one of the heroes of the Mountain Meadow massacre and one of the officers of the church. On the 30th four of them came up to the store while Ed and Barney were after the mail. They told Sam the place was theirs, and they wanted it and would give us ten days to get out. They went home and told the same to the train and went to Hubbel's to get all the men from there. The next morning the Mormons came down and told us they had changed their mind and had come to take it then. Ed told them they had gone after a load of wood, and when he came back they would kill it over. The Mormons said Sam had gone to Hubbel's, and they sent a man out on horseback to see if they had been there. The man (plateau) opposite the house and three or four west, and more north about half a mile and five at the house, all well armed. All the guns we had were Sam's old Winchester rifle, and old shotgun and Barney's revolver. Ed stood them off with small talk till the scout came back and told them that Sam was coming with ten men to protect us. Then Lot Smith (the Mormon leader) jumped up and demanded that Barney come out of the house. Ed was outside with the Mormons. I stood in the door and Barney was in the kitchen. When Barney came to the door Smith grabbed him and took his revolver. It was no use for to shoot at them for they were eighteen to our three, and we only had seven cartridges in the Winchester. The bishop took Ed and held him, while two other men pointed guns at us, so that if we moved they had the drop on us. Of course we could do nothing. Then they took hold of the boys. When the bishop took hold of Ed I aimed the rifle at his head, but Ed kept moving, and I know if I shot they would kill Ed and Barney. So I dropped the gun. I had locked the store and had the key in my pocket. They demanded the key of Ed. He said they could have it. Then they asked Barney, and he said "Mrs. Stone has the key." They asked me and I said "You can't have it, sir." Then they broke open the store and began looking for guns, finding none there. They asked me to open the house. I had locked it and had the key. They then had Ed and Barney in the store under guard. I ran to the kitchen door and took hold of the knob. One of the Mormons told me to stand aside. I said: "I will never let go this door till you take me away." Then he yanked me away and broke the door down. I went in and searched the house; bed and all. I was right behind him all the time. Then he took the guns and gave them to the parties after him. I went into the store after him. Then I started to go again to go and tell Sam how things were going. I started down the hill. Smith, the Mormon leader, told me to stop. I replied: "This is a free country and I will go where I please."

"I was barreled and stopped to put my apron about my neck. He said, 'Don't dare to make that sign. I kept on and he ran to catch up and held his gun to my head, saying 'Stop, or you'll get hurt.' I thought it better to stop. The hole in that gun looked bigger than a cannon. I went back to the store and they tried to have Ed and I go up to Hubbel's under guard. We said 'No.' Just then the boys came up. They were surprised to see all the Mormons there with guns. Smith ordered them to halt. They did, of course." The writer then goes on to tell how, after a short party, she and her husband, with the other men, were compelled to leave the rancho, overpowered by the superior numbers of the Mormons. They went to Hubbel's rancho, several miles from Tuba City. The writer concludes: "Twenty-five Navajo Indians came to the camp and they went to get more and fight the Mormons, but we are going to take the law. Sam starts for Flagstaff in the morning to get a sheriff. I shall appeal to the governor. But, so far, the Mormons still hold the fort." * * * Yours, ADAH STONE.

HIS OWN FAULT.

The Verdict of the Coroner's Jury in the Lewis Case.

Coroner Drexel yesterday held an inquest on the remains of John Lewis, who was killed Thursday by falling off the viaduct. The verdict was as follows: "We find from evidence produced before the coroner's jury that the said John Lewis came to his death on the afternoon of February 17, in the city of Omaha, from injuries received from falling from the eleventh street viaduct. From testimony of witnesses we find that the said fall was due to his own carelessness and inattention to the dangers pertaining to his duties as employe of the Morse Bridge Company." Lewis was a young man, twenty-seven years of age, and came here six years ago from Blanchard, Iowa, where his remains will be sent. He had been living with his brother-in-law, Mr. George Brooks, at the corner of Fifteenth and Williams streets.

THE K. OF L. BALL.

A Card From the Committee Relative to the Objects of the Ball. To the Citizens of Omaha: We desire to call your attention to the purpose for which the Knights of Labor ball is to be held on Monday night, February 21, and to urge upon you the importance of assisting in that purpose. We are trying to raise funds to buy a lot and build a hall in which the Knights of Labor can hold their meetings, have a library and reading room, and employ every possible means for the education of the laboring man. You may ask of what interest this plan is to the citizens of Omaha. We think of great interest. The Knights of Labor seek in a quiet, peaceable and orderly way to solve the labor problem, which one class ignores and another proposes to solve by dynamite. Education for the workman and co-operation between all classes are the means of a solution of the most vexing question of this century, which the Knights of Labor adopt, and every citizen should be interested to advance knowledge and good will, which

cannot fail to secure a union between labor and capital. We boast much of the prosperity and growth of Omaha, wealth and population; nothing will convince strangers of the truth of our boasting more than a commodious and substantial hall belonging to the Knights of Labor. Such a building will be a visible evidence of the prosperity of labor and of the good feeling existing between labor and capital, and evidence too which will induce the further investment of capital in this city by prudent and sagacious capitalists, who know that the noble order of the Knights of Labor is a bulwark against violence and a school for the education of ignorant labor, which, by knowledge, becomes the friend of capital. We believe that many of the citizens of Omaha would be glad to see the opportunity to assist in the erection of a Knights of Labor hall, and we make this statement that all may contribute to give to Omaha an institution which will be a source of pride to her interests and a plain sign of her prosperity.

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NEW STRUCTURES.

Some of the Buildings Now Being Considered.

The committee of the board of education on buildings Thursday night inspected number of the remaining plans submitted for the three proposed new schools in this city. Some of the plans are fearfully and wonderfully made. There is one five stories high, which is surmounted by a tower of about fifty feet. This is intended for the twelve-room building. Another has every feature of a medieval castle, except the outer wall. It possesses a massive Norman tower of great size which alone would cost as much as a very large school. The Cleves plan is one of the simplest submitted. The plans of Fowler and Mendelssohn & Lawrie, are yet to be considered. That of the former is a large, elegant looking building while that of Mendelssohn & Lawrie is an imposing structure, resembling it, it is stated, the prize school in Denver. Henry Voss has been secured to draw plans for a mammoth barn for C. E. Mayne, which is to be fashioned after one in Washington Park in Chicago. It is to be two stories high, 850 feet long and twenty-four feet wide. At each end will be a building 20x30 feet, in the center and corner of which will be stalls, thus leaving a circular track between both rows. In the barn between the out-houses will be 110 box stalls and outside these a driveway extending through both end buildings, thus enabling the exercising and driving of horses in all kinds of weather. The barn will be erected on Mayne's stock farm, a few miles from the city. What is now known as the "Goodrich" lot, on the corner of Farnam and Sixteenth streets, which was recently purchased from John A. MeShane by Mr. Thomson, is to be occupied by a "Tony Faust" saloon. It will be one of the one story, very beautiful in design, and surmounted by ornamental architectural designs which will enclose a summer garden as "Tony Faust" is in St. Louis. The building is to be erected by Mr. Thomson from designs of Henry Voss, and to be run as a first-class restaurant and summer garden. It is not yet known when it will run the place, though several of our leading saloon men are bidding for the privilege.

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BICYCLE NOTES.

Hardwick and His New Wheel—Eck and Bullock.

John S. Prince yesterday received a telegram from Thomas Hardwick, the champion bicyclist of Kansas, saying that he would be here next Wednesday to go into active training for the great six-day race. Hardwick also ordered a fifty-four-inch semi-racer of the American Champion make. Prince telegraphed for the machine yesterday. Eck and Bullock are in fine condition for the 100-mile race which comes off Saturday night at the exposition building. Prince said yesterday that he was confident Bullock would come out ahead. "He is almost, if not quite, as fast as Eck, and has far more endurance. For that reason I am willing to risk plenty of money on him. Bullock becomes a faster rider every time he goes on the track."

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The Trains and the Wind.

Train No. 2 on the Union Pacific from the west did not arrive at 7:30 o'clock yesterday morning, its usual time. It was abandoned Thursday night at a point west of North Platte, where a severe wind storm was prevailing. The wires in that vicinity were blown down and communication has a consequence was shut off. The storm extended as far as Denver, in the vicinity of which the morning's telegraphic advices state that two trains were blown from the track, and a great number of persons were injured. This storm seems to have escaped the signal office, because the morning's bulletin showed the velocity of the wind at Denver to have been but six miles per hour while at North Platte it was only fourteen miles. The abandoned train reached North Platte at 9 o'clock yesterday morning and came into this city, second section of No. 4, arriving here at 12:30 o'clock last evening, or three hours behind the first section.

The storm was experienced in Omaha in a harmless degree, though the wind was a high one and the temperature experienced a fall of about twenty-five degrees. At noon yesterday the thermometer registered twenty degrees above zero. In northwestern Nebraska, the trains of the Fremont & Elkhorn railway were considerably delayed by the same storm.

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A Thoroughly Model Report of a Society Event.

A great deal of comment has been caused by the Herald's report of the Smith reception at the Millard hotel. As a sample of society reporting it has been awarded the first prize by the critics. The reporter who acquitted himself in such brilliant style is evidently an expert, and is able to give his colleagues a great many valuable pointers. His report has been cut out and pasted up in all the newspaper offices of Omaha as a model. It is as follows, the triple head being omitted:

A PRIVATE RECEPTION.

Omaha Herald, Feb. 18. The most brilliant private reception of the season was given last night in the Millard by Mrs. S. T. Smith, wife of General Superintendent Smith, of the Union Pacific railroad. About 75 of the 300 invited by card attended, and the great party consisted of the youth, beauty, tone and culture of Omaha. Manager Frank McDonald of the hotel was nice in carrying out every proper necessity to the satisfaction of the elite company. The Musical Union orchestra furnished the music, and the lighted grasses skipped by the hour in curves over the smooth floor. Wit sparkled in the twinkling eyes of purity, and young men who had "gathered polish" if not as much "moss" as their masculine elders, were favored by pre-emptory early in the evening, and cultivated until the separating time. To the more advanced in years, though scarcely less attractive ladies, the men of heavier build attended with many expressions of proper etiquette, suavely given. All were in full dress, and a diamond here and there from a starched bosom or dainty ear struck into the on-looking eyes its electric rays, in sharp contrast to the unadorned groups of harmony and beauty. The dresses worn by the ladies were of different pretty styles, with just enough of shapely arm and white throat to suggest the lines of natural charm. The supper was all that dainty or hearty man or maid might wish to hold appetite against, and to it and to entertaining talk the hostess attracted attention with Omaha gusto. The following among others were there, etc.:

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LOCAL LACONIC. Pointed and Pithy Interviews Gathered About Town.

Colonel S. B. Jones, assistant passenger agent Union Pacific—"The passenger business is only fair. We anticipate a boom in the spring."

Harry Merriam—"The Pythian order in Omaha is booming."

Commissioner Griffiths, freight bureau—"There is no telling what construction the railroads will put on this interstate commerce law. The future will reveal everything."

Coroner Drexel—"There have been three accidental deaths in twenty-four hours. I am having all I can attend to."

An Omaha Chess Player—"Greely's foresight is not as good as when he belonged to our chess club years ago, or he would have prognosticated these storms that are swooping down upon us."

A Citizen—"It is rumored on pretty good authority that Dr. Mercer, of this city, has purchased 800 acres of land about Plattsmouth. John Fitzgerald, the well known capitalist of Lincoln, is also said to be interesting himself in real estate there. I shouldn't wonder if this meant a boom for Plattsmouth."

J. C. White—"Colby is the Objector Holman of the Nebraska legislature without possessing any of Holman's brains."

Farnam Street Merchant—"I am in favor of the council's granting a charter to the proposed new cable line, but with the understanding that the road shall be built within a given time, and that the franchise may not be assigned or sold to any other company without permission of the council."

F. S. Smith—"The coming of Patti ought to be signalized in an appropriate manner. It is her first appearance, and it will probably be the last she will make in this city. I hope the exposition building will be crowded."

Traffic Manager Kimball, Union Pacific—"I shall leave in a day or two with General Callaway to attend the meeting of railroad men who are interested in arriving at a solution of the interstate commerce law question. The railroads will try to conform their entire schedule of rates to a scale to be determined by the general interpretation of the new law."

A Boy Shot. Bert Rice, a boy living with his parents in the rear of 1211 Jones street, was shot Thursday by a playmate. The bullet entered one of his limbs above the knee. Dr. Montgomery, from Council Bluffs, was summoned by telephone and attracted the ball. The parents of the injured boy will not prosecute the lad who did the shooting.

The South Omaha Land company have appointed C. E. Mayne sole agent for the sale of their lots. He will show the property and furnish all desired information upon application. [Signed] W. A. PAXTON, President.

SALVATION ARMY TOUGHS. John Luther Fined—A. Y. M. C. A. Young Man.

John Luther and Ernest Risse, two toughs who disturbed the Salvation army meetings Thursday night were arraigned before Judge Stenberg yesterday morning. The two young women who conduct the meetings were on hand and testified strongly, particularly against Luther.

"Praying won't do any good for these fellows and I guess 'I'll fine them" remarked Judge Stenberg as he fined Luther \$50 and costs, the full limit. Risse was released.

J. C. Lenning was the name of an inmate who had stolen an overcoat and fur cap belonging to Bert Gregg, a Y. M. C. A. young man. Gregg picked Lenning up on the street, took him to the Y. M. C. A. rooms and commenced to labor for the salvation of his soul. While he was still laboring Lenning quietly snuck out into the clock room, took the hat of Gregg's hat and overcoat. Yesterday morning he refused to tell the whereabouts of the stolen articles. He was sent up for thirty days. Gregg will try a more pliable subject for missionary labors next time.

Jack Carroll, a suspicious character, was sent up for sixty days. Peter White, who robbed a saloon till of \$6, was given thirty days.

Castellar Festival. Thursday evening a very pleasant entertainment was given at the Castellar street Presbyterian church, by the Young People's union under the direction of the pastor, Rev. J. M. Wilson. There was an excellent attendance, notwithstanding the inclemency of the night, and the programme of recitations, songs, etc. was excellently rendered by the following ladies and gentlemen: Miss Paff, Miss Rich, Miss Johnson, Miss Case, an Miss Banker.

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