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THE MORMONS.

They Were Exiled From Illinois in 1845.

Some historical sketches are written in the TELEGRAM by a Mormon minister many years ago lived in Clarksburg, who is now a resident of Utah.—Ed.]

St. GEORGE, UTAH, April 3, 1893.

On the 19th of October at noon, a new Colonel at the head of command, took up the line of march for "Saint Francisco," California, as it was then called, which was understood to be the place of destination. Our march was now south, following Rio Del Norte for three hundred miles, thence west over mountains and across trackless prairies and parched deserts for five hundred miles or more before reaching the Pacific coast. At the time we were reduced to quarter rations and at times had to sink wells on the desert for water. In my opinion no mortal man can fully describe the hardships of that complete history of that campaign as it really was—but enough I will return to Rio Del Norte.

As we marched we passed a number of Mexican towns and villages. Our camps were visited by less every day by Mexicans who brought wood, corn, beans, meal, apples, grapes, milk, goat milk, goat cheese, butter, (the finest I ever saw,) molasses and molasses to barter for old shoes, old boots, pants, vests, buttons, pocket knives, glasses, hair combs, etc. They seemed to prefer such articles to gold and silver, and they did, for it gave us a chance to treat ourselves to some of the luxuries of the country as well as to increase our scanty supply of provisions.

On the road down the Rio Del Norte was sandy. Grass was scarce and our teams soon began to fail. In passing over sand dunes and ridges twenty or more men took hold of each wagon, and with long ropes and others hanging on the wheels. The men carried their guns and knapsacks as well as their cartridge boxes, in each of which there were pounds of ammunition. Pushed and pulling while living on quarter rations was well calculated to wear men up. Colonel Cooke led up the line of march, leaving Santa Fe with only 60 days provisions, instead of 120 days provisions as was advised by the Mormons. The excuse was that the amount of provisions could not be had in Santa Fe, nor could they be procured to haul them.

The men grew weak, beef cattle became poor and it was the custom to kill work animals, such as oxen, and issue the skins to the battalion. The best of the fatted the Colonel gave us not to kill—only such as were weak and unable to work. We passed large flocks of sheep and goats herded by Mexicans, dressed in leather with blankets and their shoulders. They carried bows and arrows in their hands and kept dogs by their sides. Some had staffs or long poles with sharp spear points in the ends. The sight to me looked like a bunch of wild Indians.

At one place our commander purchased three hundred sheep to be driven along for the use of the command as mutton. There were a scrubby looking lot of sheep soon became so poor they could scarcely keep up the march and when ever they were given out, it was killed and eaten by the rear guard or worn out soldiers, who had to be left behind, being unable to keep up with the main army.

Before leaving the Rio Del Norte it was discovered there were quite a number of men too

sick and weak to carry the muskets and knapsacks and stand the journey through to California. Accordingly another detachment of sixty odd, under Lieutenant Willis, was sent to Pueblo for the winter. Colonel Cooke now gave orders to the commanders of companies to leave the ox wagons and pack the baggage on mules and oxen. It was laughable to witness the antics of the frightened oxen after their packs were on. Some of the boys said they "kicked up before and reared up behind," bellowing, snoring, jumping up, wheeling around and pawing and goring the ground. However they soon became perfectly gentle.

(Continued.)
H. W. BIGLER,
St. George, Utah.

HELD FOR MURDER.

Sheriff J. I. Alexander received a telegram from Prosecuting Attorney W. B. Cornwell, of Romney, to immediately arrest J. W. Monroe, of Adamston, our suburban village, stating that a warrant charging him with murder had just been issued in that town. Sheriff Alexander at once went to Adamston and found Monroe working in Mr. Kidd's garden, at which place he is a boarder. He was somewhat surprised at being arrested on the charge of murder, but admitted that he had come from Romney only a few days ago. Monroe is a single man, and has been peddling over the country for some time. He is now in jail where he awaits developments.

Just as we go to press the warrant arrives here by mail, in which Monroe is charged with the murder of Mr. McDonald, by kicking, beating and bruising him in a shocking manner.

One thousand families have been made destitute in four counties of Mississippi by the cyclone of last week. Perhaps the entire effects of this great calamity will never be known.

Deputy Sheriff R. R. Dawson, of Charleston, arrived here this morning having in his charge Russel Sarver who is wanted in Braxton county for figuring in a shooting scrape. Sarver was marched through town wearing hand cuffs and with his feet in shackles. He is charged with shooting a man named Mollihan about a year ago. Mollihan however, was not killed.

Miss Vandelia Varnum, of Franklinville, N. Y., who has been styled "The Queen of the Platform," will deliver her famous lecture "Who Pays the Freight?" at the Court House Monday evening April 10th, at 8 p. m. A free lecture and no "after collection." As a lecturer Miss Varnum always entertains her hearers and leads them through fields that blossom with wit, pathos and eloquence. Everybody invited to this entertainment.

CLARKSBURG, W. VA., April 6, 1893.
Mr. John Whitehead, Gen'l Manager of the Morris Gas Coal and Coke Co., is no longer connected with said Company.
Weston.

Two fights last Saturday broke in on the monotony of a dull week.

We understand the railroad company will shortly make some changes in the running of their passenger trains.

There are some cases of scarlet fever at Jane Lew.

Married, Wednesday March 22, at 8 p. m., Mr. Walter Lawson to Miss Eva A Goodwin at the home of the bride near Jane Lew. Rev. J. Vincent officiated.

A lodge of Knights of Pythias will be organized at Berlin next Friday night. Deputy District Grand Chancellor C. H. Danser will be the instituting officer.

FROM CLARKSBURG

A Boy From This City And One from Taylor County Are secured for a

MUSEUM AT THE WORLD'S FAIR.

CLARK SHELTON, ONE OF THEM

Clark Shelton will no longer be one of Clarksburg's curiosities. He is soon to be placed on exhibition in a Chicago museum.

Almost every person that visits Clarksburg has seen the deformed child as his playmates pulled

his little wagon along the streets taking him to and from school, Clark is 13 years old and was born with his unfortunate deformity.

He has no use of his lower limbs and propels himself along the street by swinging his little body between his arms. Many persons have been moved to sympathy for the poor little waif and have turned aside from the



CLARK SHELTON.

hustling throng to drop a few pennies in his hand. He will be missed by our people to whom he is a familiar figure.

His teacher, Miss Nellie Barnes, for a long time, took great pains to instruct him, and was instrumental in having a fund of \$125 raised for him, which amount is now deposited in the Traders Bank as the "Shelton fund." Now that he is to be sent away it is not known what disposition will be made of this fund. The boy lives with his step-father, John Davis, near the B. & O. depot, and will remain there until his clothing and tights arrive, which were ordered this week by the Chicago man who came to get him.



The man who came for Shelton Mr. F. L. Porter, is a native of Cincinnati, and says he will secure a very valuable museum freak in Taylor county. It is a badly deformed man, who has no forehead, has webbed fingers and is almost covered with hair, in fact the unfortunate creature hardly resembles a human being. When placed in the museum at

the World's Fair it will be labeled "what is it?" This creature born of human parents is now in the Taylor county almshouse and is about 20 years old.

The man who is looking after these specimens is reported to have said that West Virginia has more human "freaks" than any other State he has visited.

He is very proud of his luck in securing these two boys and regards them as very valuable for his purpose. The pictures above are very accurate and present two views of Clark Shelton, the boy first mentioned.

DON'T YOU?

When you want a little "puff" or announcement you come to your home paper always.

You ask it to boom your churches, your festivals and say nice things about the town and about your property. Then if you have 75 cents worth of printing to do you sneak around to some job office that runs in opposition to your home paper and give out all your work that there is any profit in.

Now don't you? And nine times out of ten you pay a higher price and get the poorest material in town.

You do, of course you do.

You ask the editor to advertise some college or institution in which you are interested "at the lowest possible figure" and then you give the first paying job of printing you have to let out to some job man.

Now don't you do it every time you get a chance.

You are mighty free about telling what a good thing for a town a home paper is, but are backward when it comes to helping that paper with cash, aren't you?

The home paper doesn't charge you interest on back subscriptions, but you will wait till the last thing before paying it, don't you?

You are mighty anxious to have the home paper spend money with you, but are careful to spend as little as possible with it, aren't you?

You know that the best advertisement any community can have is to send out over the country a live, wide-awake, progressive newspaper.

The newspaper is the mirror in which the outer world catches a reflection from your community.

Do you care anything about that?

Your home paper should be very near to you. It tells you who is dead, who is sick, who is married, who is born and many other things you would like to know.

It tells you what the courts are doing, who the jurors are, when to go to church, to county court and when to send your children to school.

Yet in spite of all these benefits, some people say that the home paper is not half so good as some city paper that has no interest in their business or success. The home paper, like the home church, is too often neglected by those who are benefited by it.

The rapid growth in the circulation of the TELEGRAM during the past year is unprecedented in the history of journalism in Clarksburg. Our circulation for this month was double that of any other paper published here. We guarantee to advertisers a larger circulation than any other paper in the county.

Miss Rose Elizabeth Cleveland, the sister of Grover Cleveland, is now in Europe. Last summer she was met walking on a road in Switzerland by Colonel Dan Lamont, who was making the tour.

MOUNTAIN STATE.

Interesting Items of News Gathered

FROM THE MANY SECTIONS.

Married at the residence of Rev. James Allender, on Wednesday, March 29th, Mr. Amariah Devers and Miss Myrtle Michles, both of Newburg, Preston county.—Sentinel.

Graduating exercises of the class '93 of the Buckhannon High School were held at the Opera House at 8 p. m. Monday. Miss Emma Bailey, Myrtle Lowe and Clara Mathers were the graduates for this year.

Charles Ray, of Wheeling, W. Va., has a peculiar dog. The dog ran over two of the dog's legs, a front and a hind one on the same side of the body, but the canine is still able to balance itself and run, and even perform to the music of the piano. Hundreds of persons have noted the dog's peculiarities.

The Secretary of State has issued a certificate of incorporation to the Morgantown Glass Company, of Morgantown, W. Va., with a capital of \$2,000. The privilege of increasing the capital stock to \$50,000 in all is allowed. The shares are \$50 each and are held by John J. Walsh, of Wellsburg, W. Va.; E. M. Grant, R. E. Fast, Geo. C. Sturgist and I. C. White, of Morgantown, W. Va.

The Knights of Pythias organized a Uniform Rank here last Friday night. Col. Paul Prager, of Parkersburg, officiating, with the assistance of several of the Rank from Weston. An attractive street parade was given headed by the city band, and after the work of installation was completed a delightful banquet was served at the Valley House.—Buckhannon Bee.

Mr. Ira Robinson, a former member of the bar, and who left here last fall for the west with his bride, nee Miss Sinsel, with a view to taking up his residence in Kansas, after visiting several points has returned to Grafton, and we understand has concluded to make his home in our "Mountain State." Mr. Robinson, during his absence, visited several States, but found no location that suited him. Old West Virginia is good enough for him yet. The friends of Mr. Robinson and his excellent young wife gladly welcome them home again.—Grafton Sentinel.

License in Grafton is not a blooming moral success. The Sentinel of last week says: "If we had license," we have had it so often told us by the advocate of that measure, "boys and men could not get whiskey." What are the facts now that we have license? Is it true that boys and those whom it is known get drunk at every opportunity, still get all the whiskey they want? It looks like it. Is there now no Sunday selling? This paper cannot answer the question, but it hears many charges to that effect: The town authorities ought to prepare to fence Latrobe street in on Saturday evenings and make it the regular dumping ground for the overloaded stomachs of those who put in the night filling themselves with bad whiskey. And by shutting off the above named thoroughfare from general use, the Sunday morning church goer would be forced to seek another route to the sanctuary, and thus avoid the sickening spectacles presented by the streets last Sunday, that is so completely given up to the saloons. Turn on the hose!"

The Young Man Was Crazy.

A young man who was trying the doors of business houses and acting in a strange manner was arrested at Huntington last Friday. In the police court he was fined \$10 and committed to jail. He became maniacal and had to be tied down. It was subsequently learned that he was Charles Smith, the nephew of the sheriff of Gallia county, Ohio, and the son of wealthy parents, who live near Gallipolis, to which place he will be taken to-morrow.

In 1891, for the twelve months ending December 31, the value of salt exported from the United States to other countries was \$1,270.

In 1892, for the corresponding period, under Republican reciprocity and protection, the value of the export was \$4,687.

This increase of \$3,417, or 269 per cent., shows that the salt industry is freshening up. Republican business principles are at the bottom of it.—Mail and Express.

Fairmont Whispers.

Sheriff Morgan took Charles Horton, the horse thief, to Sutton Tuesday, for trial. On Monday he took Stief Molnar to the penitentiary at Moundsville.

An eight-year-old son of Wilber Watkins, residing near Rivesville, had ten teeth knocked out and its mouth and gums badly cut by being struck with a lever on a hand car, one day last week. The child was playing on the railroad car which had been left un-

locked by the railroad men.

Mrs. Jesse Manley spent Sunday in Clarksburg with friends.

The Normal students are talking of organizing a military company, there being in the neighborhood of fifty who have expressed a desire to do so and uniform themselves.

A letter will go quicker to Baltimore or Wheeling or Pittsburgh from Fairmont than it will to Palatine, just across the bridge from Fairmont.

Rev. G. U. Shott, of Madisonville, Ohio, will enter upon his duties as pastor of the Baptist church in this place.

The town officers last Saturday evening made a raid on a speak easy, located in the old house near the pump station, and conducted by colored gentlemen. Hugh Swann, of the Connellsville region, Sampson Warden, of Weston, and Henry Hervey, of Clarksburg, were gathered in.—Free Press.

LATEST MARKETS.

CATTLE.

NEW YORK, Tuesday, April 4. Good to prime, \$5 40@5 70. Fair to good, \$5 25@5 40. Common to medium, 4 50@5 20. Oxen and stags, 3 15@5 50. Bulls and dry cows, 1 65@3 80. Average to-day, estimated, 5 30. Extreme range of prices, 4 50@5 70.

Good to prime steers sold one year ago at \$4 60@4 75; the average price was estimated at \$4 40. Receipts for two days, 266 cars, or 4,404 head.

Exporters of beef cattle are not much encouraged and are very inactive this week.

WOOL.

PHILADELPHIA, April 4.—Wool market quiet, prices nominal. Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia XX and above, 30ca31c; X 28ca29c; medium, 33ca35c; coarse, 34ca35c. New York, Michigan, Indiana and Western, fine or X and XX, 26ca27c; medium, 33ca34c; coarse, 34ca35c. Fine washed delaine, X and XX; 30c. a 35c; medium washed combing and delaine, 36c.

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