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MORE MORMONS.

Another consignment of Mormon converts arrived Tuesday. They were brought down from Ogden on a special, consisting of five coaches and a baggage car. They were met at the depot and hugged by the relatives who had preceded them. A Tribune representative also met them, but no hugging ensued from the meeting. There were about 200 of them, mostly subjects of the Queen, who ought to be thankful that they are in Utah instead of Merrie England. They are of about the same average quality as those who have preceded them, and will make good material for a Tabernacle congregation.

Many incidents occurred that were rather amusing to a casual spectator. For instance, Sullivan, the Cliff House representative, was wandering around among them looking for relatives. A little tow headed Johnny Bull—one of a brood of seven—attracted his attention, and in a fit of generosity he pulled forth his last nickle and gave it to the child. The seven youngsters immediately swarmed around him, shouting at the top of their voices: "Here's grandfather." They clung to his coat tails, grabbed his cane, and made sundry dives at his watch chain, while a crowd gathered around and enjoyed the spectacle. When the Tribune man left, Sullivan was still trying to convince them he was not their grandparent.

"Brother Cannon is in prison now," sorrowfully remarked a brother to one of the emigrants. "Well, if had two wives he ought to be in prison," was the emphatic response. That emigrant needs counsel, and he will probably get it.

The most of the emigrants were taken to the tithing yard where they spent the night. One hundred will be sent south and the rest will be utilized as building material for the center Stake.

THE "THIEVING THIRTEENTH."

It is said that the grand Jury in session at the present term of the District Court, will, before its adjournment, investigate certain charges of official corruption against several members of the last Legislature, and endeavor to ascertain which members received the benefit of \$1,300 levied as tribute on the citizens of Prescott for permitting the Capitol to remain here. The parties who subscribed to the fund are all known as is also the names of the parties who represented that it was absolutely necessary to pay it to prevent the Capitol being located elsewhere. The open and notorious bribery used both in favor and against the attempted creation of the proposed County of Sierra Bonita, will it is also said, be investigated, while certain members of the legislative corps who received a pecuniary consideration for throwing their vote and influence in favor of the drainage of mines bill are in great jeopardy of being called on to offer legal explanation of their conduct in the premises. Should the grand jury really embark in an attempt to furnish a salutary example for future legislatures, by punishing the rottenness of the last, the result will be a sensation that will exceed in interest any event that has taken place in Arizona for many a day. The presence of Dr. Ainsworth, the President of the Council; A. E. Fay, its Secretary; Morris Goldwater, ex-Chief Clerk of the house, his assistant, Harry Carpenter, and many prominent lobbyists, at present in Prescott, renders the work of the grand jury in the premises more easy than at first appears.—Prescott Miner.

A FEW POINTS ON MORMONISM.

Pioche Record: Bishop Lee says that the sacred institution of polygamy will survive the Government of the United States. Apropos of this sacred institution, I wish to state that in 1883 I had a revelation that the polygamous craft, with its President, Apostles and High Counselors, would sink into the deep water of oblivion in the year of our Lord 1888. A little over two years of the specified time has passed, but in the three to come the prophecy will surely be fulfilled and I want the Bishop and his counselors to make a note of the fact, as my reputation as a revelator is at stake.

Portland Oregonian: The Mormon heresy finds its best recruiting ground in densely ignorant countries in the old world and in portions of the South. The Mormon missionaries have won astonishing success among the "white trash" of the South. In Tennessee the Legislature passed at its last session a bill prohibiting the preaching of polygamy in the State. Three Mormon elders were arrested a short time ago for breaking this statute, and there is a prospect of a hard fight in the courts. To make it a misdemeanor to "advocate" any doctrine is not strictly in the line of our legislation, and the constitutionality of the act will be stoutly disputed.

Butte Inter-Mountain: The Mormon church priests in Utah are now taking more interest in the sanitary condition and management of its penitentiary than ever before. They charge that the old prisoners are in the habit of practicing all kinds of immorality, and have a regular organized society for hazing new convicts by tossing them up in blankets, making them put on the gloves, etc. It is simple blasphemy thus to saddle indignities on the polygamous martyrs. But pretty soon, under the beneficent rulings of Judge Zane, the Mormon prisoners will be in the majority, the tortures will be reversed, and the old convicts will then be hazed on the Mountain Meadows plan, unless the warden shall interfere.

San Francisco Chronicle: A prominent Mormon of Salt Lake named Aurelius Miner, after five months of hiding from the officers of the law, returned to his home recently and was promptly arrested. He declared that he had grown tired of roaming about the East and traveling on what the Saints call "the Underground," and contemplated giving himself up when the Sheriff saved him the trouble. The seriousness of his present position is beginning to come home to the polygamist. He is forced to support several wives and their children while he has not even the satisfaction of living with a single one of them or of devoting himself to his usual business. If he comes home and risks arrest, conviction follows his prosecution as surely as night follows day, and he finds himself fined and imprisoned for six months or a year. No wonder the pent up feelings of Mormonism found vent in the recent pathetic appeal. It differed strangely from their previous defiant utterances, and is a fair indication of the collapse of a power which depended largely for its success on ignorance and isolation.

Great Falls Tribune: The courage displayed by the Salt Lake Tribune in its unrelenting war against the Mormons is commendable. Day after day for years it has poured grape, cannister and chain-shot against the Mormon bulwarks and is now about to be rewarded by seeing the enemy hoist the white flag. The Tribune's fight has been a faithful one.

The polygamists must go!

INDIGNATION MEETING.

At a special meeting of the Society of Arizona pioneers, held at their Hall in Tucson, June 3d, the following resolutions were adopted: WHEREAS, Disastrous troubles have again fallen upon the Territory by reason of the recent outbreak of the Apache Indians, who have left the White Mountain reservation and are making their way across the line into the republic of Mexico, leaving the trail behind them strewn with the victims of murder and rapine, to say nothing of the evidence of destruction of property, and

WHEREAS, The Military stationed in the Territory have been powerless to prevent the terrible outrages committed by these Indians, and to afford the people the protection that under the law and in accordance with the principles of justice and humanity, they are entitled; therefore

Be it resolved by the Society of Arizona Pioneers, that the citizens of the Territory be requested to meet in general mass meetings at an early day, to deliberate upon the questions involved in the crisis, and to take such steps as in the judgment of the people will be calculated to furnish the general government with a clear and truthful statement of our unfortunate condition, to the end, that the government may consider our dilemma and adopt such a course as will ensure us speedy and adequate relief from our sufferings.

RESOLVED, That the citizens of all the counties in the Territory be and they are hereby invited to take action in the premises.

RESOLVED, That it is the sense of the Society of Arizona Pioneers that all hostile Indians should be removed from the Territory at the earliest practical opportunity.

And at an adjourned meeting thereof held the following evening the following additional resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, We are again visited with the periodical massacre of our citizens and their families by the savage Apaches, our property destroyed and our progress retarded. Now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we demand of the Government that protection which we are guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States—the protection that we have been repeatedly promised and the promises as often broken.

RESOLVED, That a member of this Society be sent to Washington at the earliest opportunity, to present to the President the true situation of Indian affairs in this Territory, and to convey our appeal to the powers that be, for relief from the curse that has been allowed to rest upon us so long by previous administrations

RESOLVED, That the President and Secretary be instructed to notify and request the members of this Society residing in the several counties of the Territory to use their best endeavors to call the people of their respective localities together in mass meeting, to the end, that united action may be taken on the question of Indian outrages in this Territory, and that a free expression of the people may be had, and that the several members be notified of the action of the Society relative thereto.

RESOLVED, That the President be requested to cause circulars to be printed and sent to members of the Society, citizens and press of the territory, requesting their cooperation in the subject matter of the foregoing resolutions.

The Chiricahua Apaches must be removed from Arizona or killed. The latter method is the cheapest and best method of getting rid of them.—Santa Fe Review

The Apaches must go!

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In Arizona the grazing areas are supplied with good water, and the United States Surveyors, who made the official surveys of the country, say they are as good, if not better, than those of Wyoming and Montana. The Navajo Indians grow corn without irrigation, in the valleys of the Puerco of the West on the Company's lands, and in the valley of the Little Colorado, also on the line of the road, good crops of corn, sorghum, oats, barley, and garden vegetables are grown by irrigation; the finest potatoes, oats, wheat, barley and garden vegetables of large size and fine quality have been successfully grown without irrigation on the slopes of the San Francisco mountains.

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The Valley of the Rio Grande, at Albuquerque is 5,000 feet above the sea, and the names of the Sierra Madre and the San Francisco mountains, in Arizona, have elevations of 7,300, with a depression at Winslow, on the Little Colorado, where the altitude is 5,000 feet; the climate is mild and salubrious. Cattle and sheep graze throughout the year and do not need to be sheltered or grain fed during the winter. The nights are cool during the summer.

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