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OPENING OF THE NORTHERN CENTRAL RAILROAD TO SUNBURY.

The opening of the Northern Central Railroad between Baltimore, Philadelphia, Harrisburg, and intermediate places, to Sunbury, took place on Monday last. The cars South, for Harrisburg, Baltimore and Philadelphia, left Sunbury at 9 A. M., after the arrival of the train from Williamsport, by the Sunbury & Erie. Among the passengers down we observed His Excellency Wm. F. Packer, our worthy Governor, on his way from Williamsport to the capital, who during the short stay while changing the cars, received the congratulations of a number of his friends in this place, which during his youth, for several years, was his adopted home. He naturally felt a glow of pride and satisfaction, in the final completion and triumph of an enterprise for which he had labored many years, especially while in this borough, which, at his election, showed the gratitude of its citizens by giving him the largest vote ever polled in the place for any candidate. In the afternoon, about 5 o'clock, a number of our citizens were wending their way to the station in Market street, to witness the arrival of the special train, which had left Baltimore at 8 A. M., arriving at Harrisburg at about 12 M., where passengers from Philadelphia, by way of the Lebanon Valley and the Harrisburg & Lancaster Railroads connect with the Northern Central. The cars reached Sunbury in good style at 3 1/2 P. M., the schedule time. At this place they stepped from the cars of the Northern Central to those of the Sunbury & Erie, for Williamsport, at which place they arrived at 6 1/2 P. M. Quite a crowd was collected at the station to witness the appearance of the first regular train of cars and passengers direct from Baltimore and Philadelphia, by railroad. It was something, indeed, worth witnessing—an event of the greatest importance to the whole community, and one to which we had been looking forward for many years—protracted by various discouraging circumstances, but which, after an indomitable degree of perseverance, enterprise and liberality on the part of our Baltimore friends, particularly, has at last been accomplished. As we observed the cars approaching we involuntarily remarked, "we are in town at last."

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CONDITION OF UTAH.

Exciting Horrors at Provo City—Will not Allow the Soldiers Among their Women—Poverty in Utah. The Mormons are busily engaged in fortifying Provo River, Spanish Fork, and Hobbs Creek Canyons, and all the approaches to the Utah Valley, where they have moved all their families. They tell the Indians that they intend to throw a medicine over the soldiers which will make them die like dogs, and also to poison them that it is Brigham Young's powerful medicine which keeps the army from moving.

The Fort Bridger correspondent of the Times, May 28th, writes as follows: Brigham Young and Heber Kimball are both building houses at Provo City. Brigham's house is about 200 feet long, and he has some 100 men busily engaged in its construction. The people are all concentrated in Utah, San Pete and Fillmore Valleys, and are actively engaged in planting and sowing grain and vegetables. The people are well armed, and guns are offered for sale at low prices.

The printing office of the Desert News has been moved from Salt Lake City to Fillmore, and that newspaper is at present published there.

No compromise or peace has yet been effected, but in our opinion the Mormon question is thus resolved.

The leaders have offered to give themselves up for trial, upon a pledge that they shall be sent to a military prison, where they will remain until a trial by a Gentile jury. They are still, as they declared from the first, willing to allow the civil officers and civilians to enter the valleys and reside here, but they will not submit to have the army quartered among them.

To these they will, I have no doubt, adhere, and will allow the civilians to come among them, but if the army attempt to move into the settlements, or make any attempt to arrest those indicted for treason, unless it is upon the condition which they have made, they will resist and fight to the last.

They are now prepared to fight, for they have their arms and equipped, and their families are concentrated in their camps. Various estimates by those persons who have seen them this spring, and who are entitled to credit, at from 10,000 to 25,000 fighting men; their numbers have been very largely increased during the winter by emigrants and returning missionaries from all parts of the world, who have entered by way of California.

On the evening of the 19th instant, three wagons, belonging to a party of apostate Mormon families who have been fortunate enough to make their way out of the friendly grasp of the Saints, arrived in camp. The name of the head of the largest family is Yancy; he was originally from Tennessee, and has resided in Salt Lake Valley for a little more than a year. The balance of the party consisted of his sons and son-in-law, and a family named Green. They resided near Oregon City, and although they have a pass from Gov. Cumming to come out of the territory, yet they were stopped and turned back twice whilst they were coming into Utah.

These families report that ninety-nine hundredths of the Mormon population are reduced to a poverty even greater than theirs, for they had the means to leave the territory, and in this were rich. Many of the women were completely naked, and are obliged to clothe themselves in old quilts.

We learn from the lips of one of these persons, that an old woman and her son, by whom she was supported, living in his neighborhood, were suspected of being "Gentiles;" that one morning, shortly before he left, the old woman was found lying in bed with her throat cut, and her son was found in the garden, killed in the same manner. He says that he has repeatedly seen dead bodies, with throats cut, floating down the Jordan River.

STRIKING THE ADMINISTRATION.—The editor of the Reading Gazette, having given Glancy Jones, the member of Congress from Idaho a severe and justly deserved dressing, the editor of the Pottsville Standard, just appointed Post Master, comes to his rescue, and says:

The reputation of Mr. Jones is a national one, and when the editor of that paper strikes him he strikes a blow at the administration of James Buchanan.

This reminds us of the newly appointed country Squire, who on being rather roughly handled by a neighbor, exclaimed, "Do you know sir that when you are shaking me you are shaking the commonwealth."

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL. SUNBURY, June 29, 1858. Council met at the time appointed, Chief Burgess J. H. ZIMMERMAN, in the chair; members present—Shindel, Youngman, Bruner, Stroh, Clark, Wilvert, Friling and Martz. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Committee on Ordinance reported an ordinance to prohibit Rail Road Companies to allow their locomotives or trains of cars to run within the limits of the borough at a greater speed than at the rate of five miles an hour, under a penalty of twenty-five dollars.

On motion the report was taken up and acted upon. Second reading was called for and on motion was granted, a vote was taken and the Ordinance passed unanimously.

Committee on Grave Yard, reported that in the back and behind a great extent in the Grave Yard, also that a number of graves had fallen in, making it unsafe for funeral processions to pass through, and that some persons had broken and otherwise injured monuments and enclosures. They recommended a season to be appointed to repair the grave yard in repair, also that the council take immediate action to prohibit any further depredations to monuments, &c.

On motion the report was laid over until next meeting.

On motion, adjourned. J. N. W. BUCHER, Clerk.

Cleanings—Editorial and Selected. At St. Louis a man was fined \$100 for carrying iron knuckles.

The largest billiard room in Buffalo now charge but ten cents a game.

Why are hoops like an obstinate man?—Because they often stand about trifles.