

A CLEVER CAPTURE.

The Three Escaped Jail Birds Caged Once More.

Ogden's vigilant Sheriff, Gilbert Belnap, has added another laurel to the long list of achievements which have been characteristic of his official regime. We refer to his clever capture of the fellows who broke jail on Thursday last. at Evanston, Wyoming. The case was an exciting one. It appears that Sheriff Belnap, immediately on hearing of the flight of the three prisoners on Thursday night, telegraphed to Salt Lake, Evanston, and other points, giving a description of the fleeing men, and proceeded, subsequently, to what is known as the "point of the mountain," near Slater's Hot Springs, supposing that they had taken to the mountains by that route. But this turn availed nothing. The next morning, or, to speak more correctly, the same morning, as it was on towards dawn before the sheriff got back to town, he went to Salt Lake City, and there visited every saloon and such places where the men might reasonably be supposed to have taken refuge; but this did not help any, as no trace of them could be found. Deputy Sheriff Hyrum Belnap had been detailed to go as far as Grand Junction, on the D. & R. G. On his return to Ogden, he joined the sheriff, and the two boarded the U. P. train.

From information learned at Peterson, Morgan and Echo, the sheriffs were convinced that the fleeing men were on board the train, so they continued their journey to Evanston. Here they made inquiries, and learned the gratifying intelligence that some men answering the description of those wanted, had been seen emerging from an empty box car. The sheriff then asked the conductor if all cars had to be sealed at that point, and learning that was the rule, an examination was made, which proved this to be true. The train had to leave in fifteen minutes from that time, and would go right through to Green River. It was arranged that as soon as the engine went up to the water tank, the sheriff should walk to the train. On a given signal being made by the conductor, Sheriff Belnap and his deputy, Hyrum, walked along either side of the train. The sheriff presently espied the man Gilman, and upon walking up to him, was recognized, and the escaped prisoner endeavored to draw his revolver; doubtless the one taken from the jailor when the escape was made, but the sheriff was too alert for him, pulled his revolver on him, and at the same time requested him to give up his pistol. Doubtless being of the opinion that prudence, under those circumstances, was the better part of valor, he complied, and was safely handcuffed. The other two men, (Butler and Peters,) in the meantime, were captured by the deputy sheriff, who did not experience any difficulty in arresting them, owing to the men not having any weapons.

Deputy Sheriff Snyder, of Evanston, proffered his assistance, and the men were lodged in jail at that place until 11 o'clock the next (Sunday) morning when they were brought to this city, and were politely escorted to their old quarters, where they are now lingering, their sweet liberty only having been of brief duration.

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