

## PIONEER DAY.

How the People Celebrated it in these Valleys of the Mountains.

### HUNTSVILLE.

The 24th was celebrated in Huntsville in fine style; in fact, it was the most orderly and best conducted affair ever held there. The firing of cannon, the music of the brass band, the fine appearance of the twelve young ladies in white on their fine palfries accompanied by twelve young men, the representations of the different organizations with their beautiful banners, and last (but not least) the representation of the Pioneers, by Harvey Brown, made the procession to Jas. Hawkin's grove

### AN IMPOSING AFFAIR.

The exercise in the grove showed a marked improvement on former occasions, and the display of home products by the Relief Society was very commendable. The afternoon was spent in picnicking, chasing greasy pig, walking greasy pole across a stream, jumping, and various other games, including the inevitable dance for the children. A fine display of fireworks and public dance closed the

### THE EXERCISES OF THE DAY

I will not mention the names of those who took an active part, for where all did so well, it would be invidious. Below are a few of the toasts given at the close of the forenoon's exercises, which will be appreciated by the public.

The Pioneers.—May the memory of their heroism never perish.

Erastus Bingham, the oldest member of the "Mormon" Battalion in the place.—May his posterity be more numerous than the hairs upon his head.

Chas. Wright, Supt. of the Sunday School.—The right man in the right place.

Relief Society.—  
"We know they relieve the poor and the old,  
And often relieve the needy and cold,  
But, the greatest relief to the old and young  
Is when the dear creatures will hold their tongue."

[MOSIAH HALL.]

The Brass Band.—The institution is mostly sound, though there is a great deal of wind about it. But every drum is a snare except one, and that's a base concern, and the last I heard of it, it was being knocked in the head. The credit of the band is good for though some of their notes will (B) flat, you'll find others (G) sharp, and though they all may be slurred at times, they are never at a discount.

[WM. HALLS.]

Eli H. Murray.—Our handsome friend, The best looking man Kentucky could send.  
He would be perfect but everyone knows  
This colossal beauty has eleven toes!  
Ten all regular, as you can see,  
With an ugly addition of a monster "Vee"

Which strange to say, without just cause  
Tramples to death our wisest laws,  
And stifles the voice of the people,  
when  
It annuls the work of their chosen men,  
When the great day comes for old friend Murray  
To settle accounts he won't be in a hurry;  
When he looks at his papers he'll say  
I'm blowed

If every pass has'nt been "vetoed!"  
My Campbell is killed by a Cannon ball,  
And the horrid "Mormons" have done it all.

[WM. HALLS.]

### EDEN.

EDITOR HERALD:—The Pioneer Day was worthily celebrated in our thrifty burg, the booming of cannon; raising of the national flag, and martial music inaugurating the 37th anniversary of the advent of the Pioneers. A procession was formed under the green boughs of the gaily decorated bowery, taking its line of march to the schoolhouse, where the official exercises took place, John Ferrell acting creditably as orator of the day, Hyrum N. Boyington as chaplain, Jas. A. Thompson as chairman, and Heber R. McBride, D. McKay, and Jas. A. Thompson making eloquent patriotic speeches. These exercises were interspersed with songs, music, toasts, etc., a kindly and fraternal feeling prevailing throughout.

In the afternoon there was a dance for the children, baseball match, and other amusements, all of which were generally indulged in and greatly enjoyed. At night, there was a ball for the adults after a successful display of fireworks. On the whole the people had a gala day, nothing occurring to mar the pleasure of the event.

### HOOPER.

EDITOR HERALD:—Pioneer Day was well observed here, yesterday. Day dawn was announced by a discharge of firearms, and at sunrise the Hooper Brass Band met and discoursed some very appropriate music. All the Sunday Schools met at the Relief Society building, at 9 a.m., and formed a procession, marching down to the bowery, preceded by the brass band, which was followed by a representation of '47 under the auspices of T. S. Johnson, who prided himself on the mission assigned him, and endeavored to do it justice.

At 10 o'clock the people of both wards met under the bowery. Meeting was called to order by the Marshal. The Sunday Schools all sang "Beautiful Day," etc. Prayer was offered by the chaplain; then came more Sunday School music. The oration was delivered by Gilbert B. Belnap, who represented in

vivid explanations the trials endured by the Pioneers while traveling over trackless prairies to the Zion of the last days. The speaker rehearsed many of the trials, afflictions, and persecutions which the Saints had passed through, most of which had been inflicted at the instigation of so-called ministers of the Gospel. Songs, recitations, and speeches were rendered in good, lively style, and all present seemed to enjoy themselves.

At the close of the forenoon exercises a collection was made in behalf of the Brass Band boys who are indebted yet for their instruments. After this the meeting adjourned in the usual way. The afternoon exercises consisted of horse and foot races and the distribution of nuts and candy to the children. There was a money prize up for the fastest equine which was taken in by Amasa Belnap, and a prize of \$1.00 for a foot race which was also won by Amasa; then there was a slow race for a pair of spurs, some half dozen competitors engaging, in which neither party was allowed to ride his own horse. The prize was accorded to the owner of the animal who came in last.

The day passed without the least shadow of disturbance, and many went home tired; but the night found the youth of both sexes on hand to join in a social dance, when the brass band assisted in making music for the occasion. The band boys deserve much credit for the progress they have made, and for the energy and spirit of enterprise displayed in obtaining their instruments.

Eli Spaulding was marshal of the day, Gilbert B. Belnap orator, and Oliver Belnap chaplain, with Eli Spaulding, Joseph Meservy, G. R. Belaap, Alma Butler, Geo. Fowers, and Frederick Stimpson as a committee of arrangements.—Respectfully, etc. J. R. M.

HOOPER CTRY, July 25, 1884.

### LOGAN.

EDITOR HERALD:—The 24th in Logan passed off in a very quiet manner. The day was spent in social and family gatherings. The driving park was thrown open for any to get up races, which opportunity many took advantage of, to display the fleetness of their various steeds. In the evening a dance in Hopkins' hall was well attended and much enjoyed.

Our nearest neighbor,

### PROVIDENCE,

also had a rousing old-fashioned celebration. As an evidence of prosperity horses are taking the place of oxen. So the committee found some difficulty in getting oxen enough to make up a small train to give a practical illustration to the youth of the means of locomotion by which their parents and the noble Pioneers came to this country. To make this a more realistic scene, a band of young men disguised as Indians made a raid on the train, captured a little girl, and made their escape with her towards the mountains, producing a very exciting scene, to the youth more especially. Everything passed off very nicely, and a dance in the evening finished a very pleasant day's enjoyment. P. C.

LOGAN, July 25.