The mail arrived on the evening of the 1st, bringing full files of the Deseret News, from which such extracts have been taken as were deemed likely to interest our readers. What follows is from information furnished by Mr. Magraw, one of the contractors, who came through with the mail:

In the United States court, Chief Justice Kinney presiding, assisted by John Schaeffer, Longhair and Antelope, two Utah Indians, were tried for murder, committed in Utah county on the 8th day of August, 1854, on the bodies of two Mormon lads, found guilty, and sentenced to be hung on the 15th ultimo. Affairs in Utah are prosperous.

Mr. Magraw heard that gold had been discovered on Sweet Water, and that quite a number of persons were prospecting on that river and its tributaries. Reports represented that the prospects were flattering.

There are now on the way across the plains about forty Mormon missionaries, under charge of Elder Taylor; destined for all quarters of the world. They travel in company with about an equal number of returning Californians; and together with about twenty traders and explorers, they make a party of about one hundred; probably the last considerable party that will come eastward this season.

The trading house on Deer Creek, about eighty miles west of Laramie, when passed, was almost entirely consumed, and most of the outbuildings were in flames, everything indicated that it was the work of hostile Indians. The inmates were understood to have left in consequence of the previous difficulties at Laramie. Saw no Indians that day except four Arapahoes.

Seventy-five miles west of Salt Creek, passed a party of fourteen Pawnees, supposed to be the same which attacked a party of Californians, wounding one, a few nights previous, on that stream. From signs of blood on the ground of the attack, the supposition was, that at least one Indian had been killed, and the party worsted in the fight.

The company has been compelled to abandon its station, built at considerable expense, at Ash Hollow, on the North Platte, in consequence of a notification from the head chief of the Sioux nation, that he would cut the throats of all found there after a given day. The employees of the company chose the alternative of going to Scott's Bluffs, eighty miles further west.

Met, this side of Kearney, half a dozen different trains, belonging to resident Indian traders, being probably all that are on the route. They are getting on well.

Grass remarkably scarce west of Laramie, partly in consequence of the immense number of stock driven across the plains, and partly owing to the work of the grasshoppers.

All was quiet at Laramie, the Sioux having disappeared after the massacre, and supposed to have gone to White river, or Old Woman's Fork, from seventy to a hundred miles distant from the fort, found as the soldiers, but with what success is not known.