

The La Plata company held a meeting on Monday evening, and made the necessary arrangements in regard to finances, with a view to attacking the body of ore in their shaft within a short time.

William Palmer went up to his coal discovery in Dry canyon yesterday. The depth of snow and danger of slides prevented him from continuing operations all winter, but he thinks that he can break a road to the mine now. He is likely to strike the main body now at any time. Experts have pronounced his samples hard coal, similar to that found in Pennsylvania.

At present it looks as if the sudden advent of warm weather is likely to increase the volume of water in Logan river to such an extent as to seriously menace many portions of Logan island. The committee on waterworks and irrigation with the mayor associated were appointed to investigate at the next meeting of the city council, and were given power to act. They are taking the necessary steps for the preservation of property. There is much to be done, but they are laboring assiduously.

On Tuesday morning a girl of about fifteen years of age stole a packet of tea from a stand in front of H. G. Hayball's store. She was observed and followed. After a chase she was captured and taken back to the store. She was allowed to depart, to return in the evening. Hayball did not want to prosecute her, but wanted her to realize the position she had placed herself in, and when she returned in the evening she was met by the marshal and justice of the peace. The girl was badly frightened, but after she had made confession and promises of amendment she was allowed to depart, it is to be hoped a wiser and a better girl.

Mr. Joseph Myler, of Clarkston, while in the canyon near that place a few days since, found a cache in which were hidden a valuable saddle and a good bridle. There was no clue to indicate the ownership. The articles had been wrapped in a blanket and had been there so long that the blanket was mouldy, but the saddle and bridle were well preserved.

At a meeting of the board of education held on Monday evening, census enumerators for the school census were appointed for each municipal ward, and Miss Ida J. Cook was nominated for superintendent and principal of the district schools for the Logan school district.

It had been announced that Prof. T. B. Lewis of Ogden would deliver a lecture upon some educational topic at the meeting of the Teachers' Institute on Saturday next; but he telegraphed Superintendent Green that on account of sickness he would be unable to attend; therefore an impromptu program will be given.

A. Ewing, manager of the Phoenix Pharmacy was fined \$50 and costs in one case for selling liquor without a license, and in another case against him he took the statutory time to plead.

The Republican organ, the *Nation*, under the management of Messrs. Rosenbaum & Prybil, is getting out a very creditable sheet.

The resignation of J. L. Rawlins is

the principal topic of conversation here at present. The great things that were expected of him by his party and the great boasts made by them of the stalwart man who was going to secure statehood and numberless other benefits to the people of Utah, are now the source of much chagrin to them since they have discovered that they have been leaning on a broken reed. The prevailing sentiment is that he has sacrificed his party to gratify a momentary pique.

The investigation of Commissioner C. C. Goodwin's official record was not completed until a very late hour on Tuesday evening. The time of Mr. Bache was fully occupied in hearing the testimony in the numerous cases that were brought against the commissioner. Failure to keep a proper record of the transactions in his court, overcharges and bribery constituted the points upon which the commissioner was called to task. Those prosecuting the case claim to have introduced a sufficient volume of evidence to decapitate half a dozen commissioners, while his friends claim that the prosecution was commenced and continued in personal malice, and that all charges will, after investigation by the supreme court, be knocked out. A short time will tell. It was necessary that an investigation should be held, and if guilty, the commissioner should be peremptorily discharged and placed under the care of the warden of the penitentiary. On the other hand, if innocent, his character should be vindicated.

The horse show caused a great influx of visitors to Logan. Standard bred trotters, coach and draft horses of almost all of the best breeds were on exhibition; they make a fine showing. The reputation of Cache valley as the section of country possessing the best horseflesh in Utah was fully satisfied. Only one fault can be found; while there are stallions in great abundance, the number of blooded mares is limited. The sight on the streets reminded one strongly of Rosa Bonheur's famous picture. So also do two photographs taken during the parade.

The unlawful cohabitation case against Oscar Dunn, Bishop of College ward, was not heard. His alleged plural wife, Jane Welch, had in some mysterious manner disappeared, and her bonds were declared forfeited.

Mr. E. E. Thorstensen, manager of the U. M. Co., has the sympathy of his many friends in the death of his six-month-old son Albin, who died yesterday morning.

Mr. A. E. Hyde, manager of the Bullion-Beck Mining Co., has been visiting Logan.

Elder Moses Thatcher's health is improving rapidly. He has been out riding several times during the present week.

The Boston Howard Athenæum Specialty company are billed to appear here on the 31st.

#### SHOULD BE JUST.

I beg the privilege of calling attention to a statement contained in the Washington Letter of your corres-

pondent of the 5th inst. The objectionable statement is as follows:

"There are good reasons for the belief that the administration does not care to have the financial situation become too easy before the meeting of Congress, because it depends upon the unsettled feeling in financial circles to exercise sufficient influence upon votes in Congress to bring about an unconditional repeal of the Sherman silver law, which it blames for all the trouble. The silver men have no special love for the Sherman law, but they say it cannot be repealed unless they are given a satisfactory substitute for it, and that the administration will not, unless a great change occurs, agree to give them."

When your correspondent says that there are good reasons for the belief expressed, he merely utters a personal opinion which is of no value whatever. I presume, although I do not know, that you employ him to write for your paper, you expect he will furnish your readers with news, with facts and not merely his opinions. How does he know that "the administration does not care to have the financial situation become too easy?" I presume he has no such knowledge; indeed I may say that I know he has not, and that his assertion is made merely for political effect, and with the intention to bring odium upon the administration.

It may be, and probably is, true that the administration desire the repeal of the Sherman law, and in this desire a great many people, Republicans, Democrats and Populists, are in sympathy but the latter people want some better law to take its place, and such, presumably, is the wish of the Cleveland administration, at any rate it is not just to attribute to the government motives unworthy even of individuals, to say nothing of the representatives of this great republic, who are supposed to act for the best interest of the people whom they represent and whose servants they are. Hence I say to your correspondent, you should be just.

A DEMOCRAT.

#### WEATHER AND CROPS.

Regarding weather and crops of the last week Observer Salisbury says:

##### General Review.

Changed conditions have at last come, and the weather for the closing days of the past week was such as to greatly encourage farmers, as their more hopeful reports show. Utah farmers are not grumblers, and are satisfied when the crop prospects are reasonably favorable.

The forepart of last week was cold, with cloudy and rainy days, but the last three days were so warm and sunshiny as to give a wonderful impetus to all vegetation.

Fruit trees of one kind or another are in bloom or opening foliage everywhere. In the later districts apples and pears are not yet in bloom, but soon will be. Strawberries are in blossom in many localities. If no unlooked for damage occurs, it is quite certain that the fruit crop will be large.

Grain and grass are much improved since the preceding report. Wheat that was up during the cold spell, although it did not grow in height,