

Mrs. Young said she was very well satisfied with what had been done.

Father Graves said he had met with good success in his travels. The meetings he held were well attended. Prospects for the future were encouraging.

Mr. A. C. Pyper said we had more skill than we had leaves to feed the worms. He urged the people to plant out mulberry trees; also showed the necessity of co-operating, in order to make the work lighter and enable learners to get a better knowledge of how to manipulate the worm to better advantage. He advised those planting out trees to put them as near as possible to the cocoonery and avoid a great amount of extra labor. The ladies in the Twelfth Ward were going to plant out 2,000 trees behind the school-house next season. There being no more business, a motion was made to adjourn for one week, then to effect a permanent organization, to which meeting all interested in silk raising are cordially invited, more especially in Salt Lake County.

R. SIMPSON, Secretary.

**Quarterly Conference.**—The Quarterly Conference of the Priesthood of the Salt Lake Stake of Zion, convened at 10 a. m. to-day, at the 14th Ward Assembly Rooms. Angus M. Cannon, David O. Calder and Joseph E. Taylor, of the Presidency of the Stake, Elders Wilford Woodruff and Orson Hyde, of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, were present. There was a large representation of the Bishops and Counselors of the Wards. After the reading of the reports and remarks from some of the brethren, the Conference adjourned till 2 p. m.

At the close of the afternoon session an adjournment will be made until to-morrow (Sunday) morning, at 10 o'clock, when President John Taylor and all the members of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles now in the city will be present. The Bishops and their Counselors are expected to be in attendance.

The Conference to-morrow is not intended to interfere with any of the regular meetings in the several wards, which will be in charge of the brethren appointed by the Bishops for that purpose.

**The Water Question.**—For the benefit of the people in several parts of the city in which there is an absence of water in the ditches, we publish the following section of an ordinance on the subject. The watermaster referred to is the person appointed to have local jurisdiction over any particular ditch or ditches, and not the City Watermaster, whose jurisdiction is general:

"SEC. 7.—When it is necessary to make or repair ditches, to convey water for irrigation or other purposes, it shall be the duty of the watermaster to give to the persons concerned therein reasonable notice of the time and place such work is to be done; and it shall be the duty of such persons to make their proportions of said ditches or the repairs thereon, and in case of refusal or neglect to comply with said notice of the watermaster having jurisdiction, said watermaster is hereby empowered to have the necessary work done, and the cost of said work shall be assessed proportionately to the farming lands, lots, or parts of lots of said delinquents benefitted by said water, and the amount thereof shall be a lien upon said land, lots or parts of lots as are city taxes."

The principal cause of there being no water in the ditches at this season is that they are too small, and consequently readily filled and blocked with ice. The enlargement of the ditches would greatly mitigate the evil complained of. In some portions of the City the people really suffer much inconvenience for want of water.

**Logan Temple.**—We are indebted to Brother Truman O. Angel, Jr., assistant architect of the Church, for the following information regarding the Temple at Logan, the erection of which is being conducted under his superintendency:

The main building is 103 by 79 feet, inside; has two large towers, one in the centre at the east end extending out 30 feet, square at its base, and 155 feet to the top of its dome; the other on the west is the same, with the exception of being 12 feet lower, the former representing the Melchisedec priesthood, the latter the Aaronic; on the north

and south sides of these towers, touching them and the main building are four octagon stair cases, two on the east 102 feet in height, and two on the west 98 feet in height.

The extreme length and breadth of the main building, including towers and buttress, is 171 by 95 feet; height to top of battlements on side walls, 86 feet. Extending out to the north 104 feet is a building for convenience, 36 by 88 feet, and 22 feet high to top of battlements; has an octagon tower at the north end 54 feet in height. This extension is divided into four apartments, as follows: Engine room, kitchen, dining room and reception room, all connected with the main building by a long hall. The main body of this extension is built, even to the placing of its rafters. The foundation of the main building is also a few inches above the ground. The design is original, embracing none of the particular orders of architecture.

On July 20th, 1877, rock laying commenced and was diligently kept up until the last of November, when frost compelled its suspension.

The entire amount of rock to be used in completing the whole structure is about 264,224 cubic feet, or 2,064 cords, of which 45,600 cubic feet, or 356 cords, has already been placed in the walls.

There will be but little cut stone, that being used only for sills, caps, &c., the main being rubble-work, to be plastered.

**Deseret University.**—The Deseret University, one of the oldest and best institutions of learning in the Rocky Mountain region, is worthy the attention of all those interested in the cause of education. Though always successful, it is at the present time in a more flourishing condition than at any previous period of its existence. The very commodious building known as Union Hall, situated on the corner of First North and Second West Streets, affords ample convenience for study, recitation, and reading rooms, with museum and library. There are enrolled during this semester, which closes on the 18th inst., 137 students, under the able tuition of the President, Doctor John R. Park, and Professors Toronto and Kingsbury.

One who is unacquainted with the method of imparting and receiving instruction would be surprised to notice the perfect science to which it has been reduced. The object which seems constantly to be held in view by Dr. Park is to subject the students to a mental training which shall form an effectual groundwork upon which they can build throughout their future lives; and therein, we think lies the great value of the instruction. The effort apparently is, not to erect and complete a fair castle of knowledge, but to establish a solid foundation of information and common sense, and then allow the student to finish the structure after his own fashion and according to his own idea. To inculcate in the minds of the students a feeling of self-responsibility is also a prominent feature, and the system of allowing honor, truth, and politeness to be the governing influences greatly enhances its value.

The Latter-day Saints especially should sustain the University. It was founded and has always been controlled by them, and its success is a strong argument against the cry of their opponents that the "Mormons" and their leaders are averse to education. The class and standing of the parents of the students in attendance show plainly that the leading men of the Territory, those to whom the masses of the people look for example, fully appreciate the advantages afforded by this institution.

Knowledge and education are necessary adjuncts to a life of usefulness. The whole course of instruction tends toward one great end—that of fitting and preparing the sons and daughters of the Latter-day Saints to more truly serve their Heavenly Father and build up His kingdom.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY, JAN. 7.

**Slipped.**—This morning the horse of Mr. C. Y. Taggart, piano tuner, slipped and fell on the ice, and came near throwing that gentleman out of the buggy. Luckily he escaped unhurt.

**Departure.**—Hon. George Q. Cannon left this morning for Washington, to look after the interests of his constituents in Congress. He is accompanied by Mrs. Cannon.

**Home Missionaries.**—The home missionaries of this Stake called at the late Quarterly Conference, and who have not yet been set apart, are requested to meet at seven o'clock this evening at the house of President A. M. Cannon, in the 14th Ward.

#### Mortuary.

MORONI CITY, Sanpete Co., Utah, Jan. 2, 1878.

Sexton's report for the year ending December 31, 1877: Males, 4; females, 7; of these adults 2, children 9. Cause of death as reported: Diphtheria 3; kick from a cow 1; accidentally drowned 1; dropsy 1; old age 1; not reported 1; still born 3.

JOHN H. STOTT, Sexton.

**Accidentally Shot.**—On Saturday evening, as a street car driver, on the 20th Ward branch of the railroad, was in the act of sitting down, a small pistol in his hip pocket was accidentally discharged, inflicting a somewhat severe flesh wound. The hurt is not dangerous, but it is probably needless to state that the young man is unable to assume a sitting posture for several days to come.

**New Song.**—We have received a new song and chorus, "Kiss Her Rosy Cheek for Me," published by Sherman, Hyde & Co., of San Francisco. The publishers announce it as a gem. It is elegantly got up, being in very presentable form. Mr. Charles W. Stayner, of this city, is author of both words and music. He spends an occasional hour in musical production after business hours, as a recreation, and the song under consideration is the result of one of his fanciful flights.

**A Helping Hand.**—Under the auspices of the Fifteenth Ward Sunday School a subscription has been started for the relief of Mr. Clemetshaw's three apprentices, who lost all they possessed, excepting "what they stood up in," when the trunk factory was burned. A subscription paper is in the hands of Mr. A. S. Johnson, at Mr. Cutler's commission store, Old Constitution Buildings, another with Mr. S. H. Reeves, at Z. C. M. L., and a third with Mr. Thomas E. Hull, at Mr. S. P. Teasdel's store.

**Artistic Work.**—To-day we were shown by Swaner Brothers, jewelers, a handsome walking cane. The staff is of native mountain mahogany, and the massive head is of gold from the mines of Utah. The ornamental chasing on it, done by the firm named, is most elegant, showing the cunning hand of the artist. The cane has been made to the order of Mr. Sowles, of the Howe Sewing Machine agency, who intends, we understand, presenting it to his father.

Messrs. Swaner Brothers are enterprising young men.

**Territorial Fair.**—There was a meeting of the Directors of the Deseret Agricultural and Manufacturing Society, on Saturday evening last. Hon. Wilford Woodruff having resigned as a member of the board, William H. Rowe was elected to fill the vacancy thus created. It was determined to have a fair next October, the necessary committees of preparation were appointed and a premium list is now being prepared.

Fairs give a healthy stimulus to the material interests of the Territory, and it is to be hoped there will be a full representation of specimens pertaining to agriculture, horticulture, art, mechanics and manufactures.

The meeting of Saturday evening adjourned for one week.

#### THE HOLDEN CASE.

##### YESTERDAY'S "POINTS."

##### WHAT THE COMPANY'S MINUTE BOOK SAYS.

The combatants in this trial are giving themselves a rest after a day of revelations which have surprised everybody, and both sides are now waiting for Monday's resumption of the fray to learn the tenor of Mr. Holden's reply to the formidable array of accusations brought against him. Yesterday, counsel for plaintiff opened and practically closed their testimony, the chief witnesses being Mr. McCormick, the banker, Mr. Beebe, railroad operator and

agent, and Mr. Meader, assayer. Mr. McCormick, in the hands of an able examiner entered into the details of the account of the Nez Perces and Old Telegraph mines at his bank as follows:

From February, 1876, to December, 1877. February, '76, \$2,531.81; March, \$27,316.70; April, \$13,272.07; May, \$49,237.43; June, \$57,392.69; July, \$40,492.09; August, \$24,646.35; September, \$36,827.92; October, \$71,327.13; November, 68,460.65; December, \$56,330.33. The deposits for 1877, were: January, \$74,478.90; February, \$71,999.45; March, \$48,082.76; April, \$43,895.97; May, \$38,781.95; June, \$35,139.83; July, \$38,501.33; August, \$25,524.45; September, \$33,091.75; October, \$23,505.22; November, \$36,533.75; December, \$55,985.43, and showed a total deposit for "O. T. Mining Co." in 1876-7 of \$974,403.99.

These statistics were followed by a "peculiar" minute book. This book contained on its first pages accounts of meetings of the Old Telegraph Company, held under the presidency of Col. F. W. Curtin, Mr. L. H. Trask being secretary, together with the articles of association and by-laws. The last of these meetings was dated December 11th, 1876, and on the following page, the book having after that date passed into the hands of defendant Holden, when appeared the following strange entry:

At a special meeting of the stockholders of the Old Telegraph Mining Company, of Utah, held at the office of said company, No. 171 Superior Street, Cleveland, Ohio, this 30th day of June, 1876, (six months before the meeting reported on the preceding page, be it noted) there were represented by L. E. Holden (\$3,800) three thousand eight hundred shares of the capital stock. Meeting was called to order and the following officers were elected: Geo. Doane, as Vice-President, to take effect on the resignation of L. E. Holden; Geo. Doane was also elected as Secretary, and W. S. McCormick and Geo. Doane were elected as directors to fill the vacancy occasioned by the retirement of O. D. Ford and G. J. W. Cowles; and for the above offices Geo. Doane and W. S. McCormick received each the vote of 3,800 shares of the capital stock, and were declared elected. At the close of said meeting, L. E. Holden resigned as Vice-President of the company.

(Signed) L. E. HOLDEN, Vice-President.

Another point was the statement on a succeeding page, that at a meeting held in Salt Lake City, the "company" voted the managing director, Mr. L. E. Holden, twenty-four twenty-fifths of the net earnings of the company for his services during the past year, and one-twenty-fifth to go to Geo. Doane. And when the reporter of the meeting, whoever he might have been, goes on with the resolution, and that the same salaries be paid to them as above indicated for the year 1877, and another annual salary of \$500,000 to the same gentleman, the book becomes all but inexplicable to the average mind. A meeting of stockholders and directors of the O. T. Mining Company for the purpose of completing a proposed sale of the mine and effects to the O. T. Mining and Smelting Company for \$100,000 closed these entries, which were, yesterday, read by counsel.

Monday's proceedings, the court having adjourned over to-day for the convenience of defendant's counsel, will consist of a little further testimony on behalf of the plaintiffs and the opening of Mr. Holden's reply. The court was, yesterday, a popular resort for gentlemen in the mining business.

#### Correspondence.

##### Interesting from Grouse Creek.

GROUSE CREEK, December 27, 1877.

##### Editors Deseret News:

The main valley up here branches off into two forks in the shape of a Y; there are some settlers in the main valley and it is settled for five miles up each fork which places us in a rather scattered condition, yet the people are alive to improvement and enterprise. The settlers on the West Fork have built a tidy log school-house, at a cost of \$220, and have a day school in running order with an average daily attendance of 18 scholars, and they intend to commence a Sunday School next Sunday. Those of us on the East Fork are making improvements in different ways. We have surveyed a canal which will be cut two feet deep and six feet wide, and all the soil to be thrown on the lower side, which will carry a stream of three feet deep and six

wide, with a fall of one inch to the rod. It is to be made about 10 miles long, running on the edge of good farming land from its very commencement. It is to water about 2,500 acres. There is water enough in this valley to water about two-thirds of the farming land.

We had a social dance on Christmas eve for the children and one in the evening for adults. It was conducted by Bishop Samuel Kimball, kept up till a rather late hour. The weather is mild; our first snow storm of any consequence fell Christmas night, about one inch and a half deep, but it is fast disappearing. There is a fair prospect of this valley raising a considerable amount of grain and other produce.

PHILIP PASKETT.

##### Progress at Randolph.

RANDOLPH, Jan. 2nd, 1878.

##### Editors Deseret News:

The holidays have passed off with characteristic quietness. On the afternoon of New Year's Day the Sunday school children had a dance in our new meeting house, when they received rewards for attendance and behavior, varying in value according to merit. Those not old enough to receive such honors were remembered with a liberal distribution of candies. A party was had in the evening for the benefit of the Sunday school.

On a recent visit to our ward, President Wm. Budge and counselors organized a Y. M. M. I. Association with Wm. Howard, Jun., president; G. A. Peart and Wm. Rex, counselors; I. M. Baxter, secretary, and Wm. R. Stewart, treasurer. A Deacon's Quorum was also organized.

Our co-operative store, to which has just been added a boot and shoe shop, continues to give general satisfaction to patrons and shareholders.

The day and Sunday schools and Ladies Relief Society are in good hands and well sustained, the latter institution having rendered efficient aid in fitting out and maintaining our quota of hands on the Logan Temple. Our meetings are spirited and well attended, having frequent visits from the home missionaries who impart to the saints the teachings and spirit suitable to the times.

NORSEMAN.

Japanese pyrotechnists have invented fireworks for use by daylight. These are sent up to a great height and form on bursting beautiful shapes of trees, birds and animals.

At a church fair in Pittsburg they had a slave market. Young girls disguised with sheets were put on the block and knocked down to the highest bidders, the money going to the church treasury and the goods never being delivered. Pretty soon the stage will have to fulminate against the immorality of the church.

A little girl down in Maine was listening with much interest to the story of Jonah. When the question was asked "what should you suppose would be the first thing Jonah would do after the great fish threw him upon the land?" she replied promptly, "I sh'd fink he'd go home quick as he could and get cleaned up."

South Carolina closed the old year with a surplus in her treasury. This was under the Hampton government, and the Republicans are compelled to acknowledge the superiority of his management over the rule of the carpet-baggers, who spent five times more than the present State officials. This is a good showing for the Democrats. The South is on the road to redemption.

The late Mrs. Gen. Hooker, then Miss Groesbeck, of Cincinnati, was once at an evening party in that city, when a young dandy was asked if he would like to be presented to her. "Oh, yes," said he, languidly, "trot her out." The lady overheard the remark, and when he was presented she adjusted her eye glasses deliberately and slowly scanned his clothing from boot to collar. The survey being finished she waved her hand carelessly and said: "Trot him back; I have seen all there is of him."