

a determination on the part of every rational person, every person with a grain of sense, to resolve, with an invincible resolution, not to put himself under the dominion of strong drink for an instant, for this is proving a traitor to himself and to all his better qualities. But youth are often thoughtless and are seductively led on by the examples of their elders, who ought to be their betters, their examples in all that is worthy, instead of many things which are unworthy and absolutely injurious. It is not a manly thing to smoke or chew tobacco, it is not a manly thing to acquire the habit of tossing off a glass of intoxicating liquor, it is not a manly thing to go staggering along the streets in an intoxicated condition. These things all show a lack of manliness. The manliness consists in abstaining from these hurtful indulgences, in retaining one's own independence of them, and in preserving one's reason from being blinded by them. The drunkard is not a man, but a slave. The boys should think of these things at these holiday times especially, and in after life they would be glad that they did so. They should prove their good sense and their manliness by refraining from that which is evil, and adopting that which is good.

THE WINTER.

THE white winter came with Christmas day, and the temperature is lowering. Much snow there has not been yet this season, but there is plenty of time for it yet. The temperature lowers almost daily, and in a week or two we may expect to be experiencing the full rigor of the cold season, and with it the necessities of many of the poor will sharpen. Many hearts have been made glad the last few days by the liberal consideration of those who have means that can be spared to help those who may be in need. This is very commendable. But as Christmas is past, and the severity of the winter not yet come, something more can be done with benefit. With the new year and for several weeks of the same, there is generally a period of slackness of business and lack of work. This season it would be well if those who have means would devise some plan of giving work to those who may have neither work nor means, so that they may be enabled to obtain the necessities and some of the comforts of life, and especially to provide those things by the honest labor of their own hands. There may be many ways of employing ordinary labor even at this season if a little thought be exercised upon the subject, and most of our working citizens would rather labor for their pay than be the objects of what is termed charity. This is a subject which will bear considerable contemplation, and some discussion and executive action.

WHEN IT TAKES EFFECT.—The Washington Star of Dec. 22 says—

"The Senate in executive session yesterday confirmed the following nomination:—S. B. Axtell, governor of Utah territory, to take effect February 2, 1875, when the term of office of Geo. L. Woods will expire."

From which it appears that His Excellency has five weeks, to-morrow, longer to enjoy the sweets of office, and then farewell, a long farewell, to all his greatness.

STATUS OF A TERRITORY.—The New York Post says—

"A territory is an incipient state. It is certain in time to develop into full statehood, and, in its progress in that direction, its people should, within certain limitations, possess and exercise the rights and privileges of citizens of a state."

There are some people, however, of tall political and patriotic professions, who, judging by their actions, hold the unprogressive idea that a Territory never should become a state, or, in other words, "once a Territory, always a Territory."

SCAN. MAG.—Denver has a first-class scan. mag. sensation. One C. H. Houghton, scarcely out of his teens, respectably connected in New York, but glad to quit that city for Colorado because of his amorous adventures, and a Mrs. Stanley, fifty years old, and wife of Mr. Stanley, of Rosita, Colorado, having eloped together to Denver, and had a high time, borrowing money extensively from various parties on false representations. The true character of the couple was ultimately discovered and they were arrested and sent to jail.

Local and Other Matters.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY, DEC. 26.

Adjourned.—The Third District Court has been adjourned till the first Monday in January.

Running.—Cars commenced running yesterday on the new extension of the street railroad, South Temple Street, eastward.

Run Over Him.—Yesterday Sergeant Clowes was riding around a trifle too fast and ran his horse over a boy, hurting him considerably, for which he was arrested.

Guilty.—In the case of J. J. Mahon, tried in the Third District Court on Thursday, for forgery, the jury brought in a verdict of guilty as charged in the indictment. The Court did not then pronounce sentence.

A Fracas.—Yesterday a deputy U. S. marshal had a few disagreeable words with a couple of sports, when one of the two knocked him down, and both set to work "kicking him for falling." This is bad work.

Southwards.—The extension of the Utah Southern railroad is ready for the cars as far as eight miles south of Provo, and with favorable weather it might be finished to Summit within about six weeks. The track is being laid at the rate of about half a mile a day in fair weather.

Coal For The Poor.

To the Bishops of the several Wards in the City.

One ton of coal having been donated to the poor of each Ward in this City by a friend, I hereby give notice that I am prepared to fill orders for the same.

GEO. NEBEKER.

Arrested.—The Ogden Junction of Dec. 23 says—

Mr. John Zeachert was arrested and taken to Salt Lake yesterday by deputy U. S. marshal Pratt. Mr. Zeachert was indicted by the grand jury for shooting and wounding Mr. Norris some time ago.

A Polite Sponger.—On Thursday a lady in the Seventeenth Ward wanted some brandy for the customary Christmas pudding sauce. She sent her little boy for it, but he reached home minus a large portion of the purchased quantity. The little fellow told how a very kind man had talked nice to him and coaxed him to give the bottle up, when the stranger helped himself and then returned the bottle with many thanks, telling the little chap he had done him a great deal of good, &c.

St. George.—We have seen a letter to Bishop Edward Hunter from Bro. Edward Brain, at work on the St. George Temple, written under date of Dec. 16, from which we extract the following—

"All of the companies of brethren have now arrived to help us out. The walls of the Temple are raised about two and a half feet each week. One hundred men are working on it, nearly one hundred in the stone quarry, besides others at the saw-mills, etc. Nearly eighty tons of rock are built into the walls daily. In the course of about ten days from now we shall be up to the second floor, about thirty feet above the first floor."

From the Sandwich Islands.—We had a call this morning from Elder B. Morris Young, son of President B. Young, who returned yesterday morning from a mission to the Sandwich Islands. He left here for the Islands May 20th, 1873, and during his stay there enjoyed himself very much, travelling among the natives and preaching to them. The other Elders there are also doing well, and had surpassed their own expectations in acquiring the native language.

Elder Young had a fine passage from the Islands to San Francisco, nine days on the water. He comes home in fine health and spirits.

Spoiling for a Fight.—Christopher Miller, a soldier, was on the rampage yesterday. He roamed about the Eleventh Ward, armed with a "billy" and a couple of huge knives, "seeking whom he might devour," and speaking great threatening words; luckily he did not find anybody sufficiently docile to allow him to employ his carving propensities upon. He made a lunge with one of his knives, however, at a man named Dangerfield, who succeeded in avoiding the blow. Miller was finally arrested by the police and turned over to the military, by whom he will be punished for his misdeeds.

A Bad Runaway.—About half-past seven last evening Messrs. John Reed, Edwin Dowden and Thomas King were riding in a buggy, on Second South Street, when the team got scared and ran eastward toward East Temple St. The driver, Mr. Reed, held on to the lines tenaciously, but the situation was exceedingly perilous, as not only were the horses going at a most furious rate, but the double-trees had become loosened. As the runaway swung around, turning the Elephant corner northward, Mr. King was thrown out upon the street, his face being considerably cut and bruised, besides other injuries by the fall. As the buggy struck the rails of the street railroad, a short distance south of White & McCornick's bank, it tipped over, throwing out the remaining two occupants and considerably smashing the vehicle.

Disgraceful.—A large number of boys from the age of thirteen and upwards could be seen on the street yesterday under the influence of liquor, and smoking tobacco, shouting and rolling around, and otherwise demeaning themselves. Numbers of men imbibe intoxicants till they bring themselves to a lower plane than the brute creation, and some youths think it manly to imitate such groveling characteristics, thus assuming the role of apes. The well disposed youth, the genuinely manly youth, will always seek to emulate the virtues and eschew the depravities of his elders. If the youths are blameable for imitating the vices of some of their elders, what should be said of those of maturer years who set the example for emulation in that direction? Their condition is most unavailing and unenviable.

"Clarke's New Method for the Piano."—From Messrs. Lee & Walker, music publishers, 922 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa., we have received a copy of the above magnificent work just published by them. Clarke's New Method for the Piano Forte is allowed by the most competent musicians in the country to be unsurpassed by any work published, and perhaps unsurpassable, as a method for studying and explaining the difficulties of the piano forte. Among the new features peculiar to this work are the fingering of scales in double thirds, the arpeggios in use in the Leipzig Conservatory, and the introduction of five finger exercises. The selections embrace a wide range and present an extensive variety, including some of the happiest morceaux of composers like Bertini, Cramer, Schumann, Heller, Mayer, Concone and Kullak. At the end of the book is a vocabulary in English, French, Italian and German, of the terms used in piano music, which will be very acceptable to junior students of this beautiful instrument. It is almost needless to add, that no better preceptor could possibly be placed in the hands of any who desire to become familiar with the intricacies and beauties of piano forte playing. It is sold retail at three dollars and seventy-five cents per copy, and is for sale at the music store of Calder & Careless in this City, or may be obtained post free for that amount from the publishers.

Christmas in the Sixteenth Ward.—The entertainment given yesterday afternoon in the Sixteenth Ward School Rooms, for the benefit of the Ward Sunday School, we are pleased to learn, was a success financially. In all other respects the affair was a gratifying success.

The weather was every way favorable, and the house was filled to its utmost capacity, many being unable to obtain admission.

The performances commenced

promptly at the hour set down in the programme, and continued without any abatement of the interest until dusk, lamps having to be lit in the execution of the closing beautiful anthem, "Sing and rejoice," by the choir, which was rendered in charming style.

Making no distinctive references to the young ladies and gentlemen to whom the respective parts were assigned, it is but fair to state that the characters were well sustained throughout. Indeed, some of them approached professional excellence. A marked improvement upon the Christmas exhibition of last year in the same Ward was observable. A little less haste in the entries and exits by some of the young ladies would have been more pleasing.

Of the comicallies, "Lord Dunderbary's Visit," a burlesque in character, caused continuous merriment; while the "Stupid Servant," an Ethiopian in search of a master, was a most side splitting farce. The serio-comic piece of "Scandal" concluded the entertainment and, while it afforded everybody amusement, also exposed the follies of gossip and tattle in an impressive manner.

The sociable in the evening was a pleasant gathering of young people, who went on with the dance and let joy be unconfined to the sounds of fine music, up to the midnight hour, when the happy party were dismissed with a benediction and went gaily tripping homeward, in infinitely better plight than if lagging along wearily at daybreak, to the tune, "We Won't go Home till Morning."

We are informed that the afternoon and evening's recreation yielded a return of nearly a hundred dollars, which is to be appropriated to the fund of the Sunday School.

A free party is given to all the children of the ward this afternoon, under the auspices of the Sunday School, commencing at 2 o'clock.

The annual re-union of the Ward, we understand, will be given the coming week, on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, 29th and 30th inst., by the Bishop and his counselors. All the poor and the widows of the ward are to have free invitations.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY, DEC. 28

Boisterous.—Reese Williams, a miner, was drunk and boisterous last night, for which Justice Pyper fined him \$10 this morning.

Sold.—The other day a couple of Mr. Ottinger's paintings, views in Yosemite Valley, real gems of art, drew the attention of Mr. Stephen De Wolf, in Mr. Savage's gallery, and he purchased them at once. His choice does credit to his taste, as well as showing a commendable appreciation of home talent.

Remembering the Children.—The children of the Third Ward are to have a good time to-morrow afternoon, at the schoolhouse. There will be a big Christmas tree, loaded with suitable presents for the little ones, and singing, reciting and dancing will be engaged in.

Fancy Boxes.—Thomas Sleight, of the Sixteenth Ward, brought into our office a specimen of his fancy boxes, made in this city, of thin lumber, card board, etc., and designed to hold boots and shoes, dry goods, etc., for the shelves of stores. Mr. Sleight may be heard of at this office. Here is another home manufacture for encouragement.

Missionary Appointments.—For Sunday, January 10th.

Mill Creek.—Elders Isaac Groo and C. R. Savage.

Neff's District.—George Nebeker and George Swan.

South Cottonwood.—Thos. Taylor and R. F. Neslen.

Sugar House.—H. W. Naisbitt and G. Teasdale.

Taylorville.—J. P. Freeze and J. Nicholson.

Beating a Chinaman.—"Jack Macdonald," a frequent inmate of the City prison, made an attack on a Chinaman this forenoon, on Commercial Street. He pummelled, beat and kicked the poor Celestial most brutally. Some citizens interfered and arrested him. When being put in jail he said, in a tone of surprise, "What do you want to lock me up for pouncing a Chinaman for?" as if he considered he had done a meritorious instead of a criminal act.

For St. George.—A dispatch, dated at Nephi, Dec. 28th, to Presi-

dent D. H. Wells, states that, on that same day, a train of thirty-two yoke of cattle and seven wagons, left that place for St. George, to haul lumber for the Temple. The wagons were loaded with ninety-five sacks of flour, three tons of wheat and three and a half tons of barley and oats; a complete outfit for teams and men. The train was in charge of Alma H. Bennett, of Mount Pleasant.

Sudden Death.—A girl named Martha Campbell, aged thirteen years, died very suddenly and unexpectedly at the residence of Mr. A. Webb, 8th Ward, on Saturday morning. The city sexton called up the county coroner to hold an inquest over the remains before interment, which was done the same evening, the evidence showing clearly that it was a case of cholera morbus, of a virulent type.

The parents of deceased were absent at the time of the melancholy occurrence, having gone to American Fork to spend Christmas with some friends there.

Good.—Probably at no time have the poor been more liberally cared for than at the present season. We are informed by Brother Elias Morris, of the Fifteenth Ward, that he personally collected a couple of large wagon loads of provisions in that Ward for the purpose of supplying the needy, besides five tons of coal that were sent in; also a sum of money, etc., securing the poor in that locality for most of the winter.

In the Fifteenth Ward the poor who have no houses of their own are cared for in a couple of houses used solely for that purpose, which is much the best way of caring for the indigent, being not only the least expensive method, but their comfort can be much more readily seen to than by any other plan.

In other Wards the poor have been similarly remembered by the well-to-do.

Their Forte.—If the deputy U. S. marshals hereabouts have a forte it is letting prisoners escape from their custody, and it is not confined to the officers of the Third District, but has also caught those of the Second. A short time ago George Warren, a noted cattle thief, indicted by the grand jury of the Second District, jumped his bonds and fled into Nevada. A deputy U. S. marshal pursued and finally captured him. At Pioche the prisoner was taken into a restaurant by the officer to get supper, when, watching an opportune moment, he broke away, and, so far as we can learn, has not been recaptured. The former partner of this same Warren, in the cattle business, is said to be a kind of assistant deputy U. S. marshal.

A Pitiable Plight.—This morning a couple of men from one of the northern settlements brought to the emigration house, in the General Tithing Office yard, a man whom they had found near the Hot Springs, lying under one of the Utah Central R. R. culverts. When found he was bare-headed and bare-footed, his feet being terribly frozen. All of the toes and the soles and other portions of the feet were black.

The men who brought him in say that he talked to them, answering their questions, when first found, but now he refuses to utter a word, although he appears to understand what is said to him, leading to the conclusion that his mind is affected. To those who found him he said his name was Smith, and he started from home on Christmas day.

He is a tall man, rather gaunt, with prominent features, inclined to sharpness, has grey eyes and a profusion of dark grey hair. His coat and pants are of brownish grey, homespun material and he has on a black vest.

If he is demented, it is probable that he has wandered from home, and, if so, should this meet the eye of any of his friends or relatives, it should lead them to look after him. His feet are so badly frozen that it is probable a portion of them will have to be amputated.

We understand that he also stated to the men who discovered him that he had a wife and three children, but did not tell where they were.

A Frenchman has opened a restaurant in Thompson street, New York, where he gives a piece of bread, and a plate of vegetable soup, and a plate of vegetables to order for five cents.