

## LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

Chairman Seegmiller of the board of commissioners to locate university lands has just sold 160 acres of land in Cache county, receiving for the same \$342.80, and 80 acres in Sevier county, the purchase price being \$282.65. The board has also received applications for the sale of 600 additional acres in Cache county.

The Commissioners to locate university lands have sold to Edward Hanson, county surveyor of Cache county, representing nineteen claimants or settlers, 1,480 acres of land in Cache county, the purchase price of which was \$8,959, the payment on which amount was covered into the university fund.

A boy named William Hegstrom was accidentally shot in the leg at Five Points, near Ogden, on Wednesday while playing with a revolver. The ball lodged in the fleshy part of the leg and was extracted by a surgeon. The wound, while a painful one, is not regarded as a very serious one. It is expected that Willie will be careful when he handles a gun next time.

A subscriber of the NEWS writes from West Jordan under date of the 4th inst., giving an account of a very pleasant missionary farewell party given at that place last week in honor of Elder Henry Turner who left for the Southern states on Saturday last. The party was well attended and a substantial purse was made up and presented to Elder Turner.

Monday as William LeGrange, a 15-year-old boy, was leading a horse along Twenty-fifth street, says Tuesday morning's Ogden Standard, the animal fell upon him, crushing him to the earth, and inflicting injuries which may be serious. He was badly bruised and his left leg was terribly cut and lacerated. He was resting as comfortably as possibly last night, after a physician had dressed his wounds.

There seems to be trouble brewing for the new Smithfield city government. The one saloon of the town petitioned the city council for a reduction in the rate of license, which was granted; but where the trouble comes in is that the rate was made much lower than the Territorial statutes allow, and those who favor high license talk of entering suit against the mayor and city council.

Daniel Tyler, of Beaver, writes under date of January 26:

In your semi-weekly issue of the 23rd inst., under heading "Correcting a Handcart Incident," Elder J. Jaques says: "The rations of flour came down to four ounces per head per day." He should have added, "for adults, children under ten years of age two ounces per day, with one day's rations left when relief came from Salt Lake." Bro. Jaques will doubtless recollect this fact when his attention is called to it. I was counselor to Bro. Martin and cannot be mistaken.

Coroner Taylor was notified at 5 o'clock February 2 of the sudden and unexpected death of Eben Miller, a gentleman whose place of residence was

between Tenth and Eleventh East on Fifth South street. It appears that the family had been in straitened circumstances for some time past and Mrs. Miller, wife of the deceased, has been compelled to go out washing, a service that she did yesterday, leaving her husband, who has been slightly unwell, at home in bed upstairs. On her return in the afternoon she went to his room and much to her astonishment and sorrow he was dead.

Logan city is likely to be involved in a number of law suits shortly, as the new council has repudiated all outstanding warrants, on the ground that the city, owing to a reduction of 25 per cent on the assessed valuation made on account of the hard times, had exceeded its borrowing capacity at the time the outgoing council issued the warrants, making the issuance illegal. The amount is not very large, being principally the salaries of outgoing officers. The question now arises if it was illegal to pay for the services of the old officers, can the new ones be legally paid?

A lad named Anthon Sorensen, who is between 16 and 17 years of age, was badly hurt at Jensen's mill on the Island, Logan, on last Thursday. A mitten he was wearing on his right hand was caught by a set screw in one of the numerous pulleys. He pulled back with all his force to prevent his arm from being wound around the shaft, and managed to escape with the loss of his thumb, from which the flesh was completely stripped. Dr. Parkinson afterwards sawed the bone off, thus completing the amputation. The boy's parents are in Norway.

During the trial of the Gaylor case February 6 Judge Merritt called attention to a book which laid before him, and which he said the family of one of the gentlemen of the jury was anxious the juror should be allowed to have for leisure reading. As the trial is expected to last all the week, it had been probably thought he would want something to while away his spare time after the adjournment of court each day. His honor thought, however, the juror had better devote all his attention to the case and not trouble about the book at present. So the volume was withheld.

Through the courtesy of Ny Fong and Ny Sam, a dinner was given Feb. 5th at the store of Shang Hai Company, 277 south, East Temple street, the occasion being the celebration of the Chinese New Year. The dinner was given in honor of the teachers and members of the Chinese Sabbath school, which is under the auspices of the First Congregational society of this city. The menu consisted of a large variety of Chinese delicacies and sweetmeats, which were prepared with much care and good taste. The table presented a very neat appearance, and the hosts seemed to enjoy the occasion as much as their guests.

BEAVER, Utah, Feb. 6.—A shock of earthquake creating quite a sensation occurred at Kanosh, Millard county, on Sunday evening about 8:30 o'clock.

It was experienced all over the town, but from the rattling of the glass and crockeryware on the shelves indicating the shock, it was felt more severely in the south end of the town than in the other parts. The vibrations were from the southwest to the east, inclining in the direction of the old volcanic hills and lava beds southwest of that place.

Another shock was distinctly experienced at the same place and direction at 8 a. m. this morning. No serious damage so far reported.

The Cassia county, Idaho, Times says that John Barrett was killed by his team dragging him to death on Monday Jan. 29th., on the south-east part of the Traumer ranch in the upper end of the Basin, about six miles south-west of Albion. His nephew was about fifty yards ahead of him when the team started. He lived only about thirty minutes, but never spoke. His skull was fractured and he was otherwise badly bruised. He was past sixty-three years old. He has two sons, one in Pocatello and the other in Bear Lake county. He had lived but a short time in the Basin, and in that short time had had made many fast friends.

In the Third district court February 1st Jas. McGregor and Clarence Cary, receivers of the Utah Central Railway company, filed a petition asking permission to issue receivers' certificates to the amount of \$100,000, the same to be used for the payment of pressing claims against the company, to enable them to successfully operate the road. The certificates are to be secured by a first lien on the property. The petition, which was granted, sets forth that it is necessary to pay \$28,409.47 at once to parties who have furnished equipment for the road and of the remainder \$55,000 to be used to secure a loan. The total indebtedness of the road is placed at \$138,804.36.

There was a sensational find in the lobby of the post office February 6th about eight o'clock. The discovery was made by Officer Busby of the police force.

He observed a small bundle lying on a desk and picking it up was surprised to find that within the bundle was the prematurely-born body of an infant. It was first wrapped up in a piece of white muslin about the size of a handkerchief. Next to this was a copy of the Salt Lake Herald of January 31 of the present year.

In the bundle there was also a piece of paper bearing the words: "Little Charlie Pavey." Also a piece of envelope with the trade mark of Mr. Jenkins, the local music dealer.

Oscar Lyons Cluff breathed his last at 10:20 on Sunday evening at the home of his sister, Mrs. Mary A. Boshard, Provo, where he has been since October last.

He was born in Provo City, U. T., July 6th, 1862, being 31 years, six months and twenty-seven days old. He was the son of David and Sarah A. Flemings Cluff. In March, 1879, he was taken with diphtheria and never fully recovered from its effects. In December, 1884, his health was still further shattered by an attack of hemorrhage of the stomach. A two years' trip to Arizona partially restored him, but last October he sustained an-