

from Washington by Gen. Miller, the future disposition of the expeditionary forces now at the Presidio is still uncertain. Gen. Miller has approved the sentence of the court-martial in the case of Private A. W. Scruggs of the First Tennessee, who pleaded guilty of an assault and battery on Dan Thomas, a negro, while the latter was under the charge of a military guard and on the Presidio reservation. The sentence is confinement at hard labor for three months, dishonorable discharge from the army and forfeiture of pay. The place of imprisonment will be Alcatraz.

Among the passengers from St. Michael on the steamer Fastnet was T. Tredfold, who was sent to Alaska by the London Mining Journal to examine and report on the gold fields. He says that all the recent rich strikes have been made on the American side and little if anything has been said about them. Outside of Bonanza Creek there is nothing to approach them in richness but they are propositions requiring money to develop, and next year, when capital comes in freely, the people will not be so numerous, but most of the wealth will be taken from the American side.

The Republicans of Preston, Ida., have nominated the following legislative and county ticket: State senator, W. W. Evans; representatives, E. Peterson and J. S. Mahey; county commissioners, August Ellason, First district; Daniel Toney, Second district; Daniel Lapray, Third district; sheriff, P. C. Bingham; assessor and collector, Martin Johnson; clerk district court, D. J. Reynolds (present incumbent); county attorney, D. C. McDougall; treasurer, Richard Douglass; probate judge, Thomas Stevens; superintendent public instruction, J. E. Hickman; coroner, R. O. Jones; surveyor, Joseph Munn.

Three men were hurled into eternity in the twinkling of an eye Thursday. The disaster occurred on the line of construction of the Robson-Pentleton branch of the Canadian Pacific, near Brooklyn, B. C. By a premature blast John Kinbar, Oscar Anderson and Tom Lantua were hurled far down the mountain side and killed. Two blasts were prepared, one of eight kegs and the other of twenty kegs. In loading of the second after twelve kegs had been put in, the hole became stopped. Lanbua used an iron spoon to clear the opening and instantly the blast went off.

A fire started at midnight in the Dale House, Davenport, Wash., burning fiercely for two hours and destroyed a large business portion of the town. The total loss is estimated at \$25,000. An unknown man sleeping in the hotel suffered fatal burns. He dashed through the flames, but his hair and beard were burned off, his face scorched and his clothes all burned off when he reached the street. He is still unconscious and not expected to live. Finney & Co. suffered the heaviest loss.

The following officers have been elected by the Knights of Pythias Grand Lodge for the jurisdiction of Wyoming: Grand Chancellor P. C. Rauner, Laramie; Past Chancellor, J. O. Churchill, Cheyenne; Prelate, Walter, Schoonmaker, Cambria; Keeper of Records and Seals, Charles O. Greenbaum, Laramie; Master of Exchequer, Albert Russell, Cheyenne; Master-of-Arms, Samuel Dickinson, Carbon; Inside Guard, E. W. Stone, Cheyenne; Outer Guard, W. W. Paterson, Rock Springs. Cambria was selected as the place of holding the next annual convention.

Gen. Alfred S. Hartwell, who arrived at San Francisco on the steamer Copitic from Honolulu, will leave today (Saturday) for Boston with a contract

which he says was consummated between the Hawaiian government before annexation and a syndicate of Boston capitalists, headed by James S. Scrymser, president of the Central and South American Cable company, for the construction of a cable between San Francisco and Honolulu, and from there to Yokohama. The contract gives this syndicate an absolute monopoly of cable communication between Honolulu and Yokohama, but is silent regarding the right of competition between the islands and the United States.

The San Francisco Call says: Private advices have been received in this city to the effect that the Caroline group of islands, which this country contemplated seizing, had war with Spain prolonged, is probably by this time in the hands of the natives. The native kings of the group who had long been at war with each other, some months ago declared a truce, combined their forces and began war against the Spanish authorities, who sent in vain to Guam for aid, after concentrating their forces at Ponapa, but they were poorly supplied with ammunition and in no position to resist a prolonged attack. The supposition is that the place was captured and the Spanish garrison wiped out. This would virtually mean the capture of the entire group of islands.

#### OBITUARY NOTES.

##### PRUDENCE KENDALL HALLIDAY.

Died at Pleasant Grove, September 8, 1898, at 4:30 a. m., of heart disease, Prudence Kendall Halliday, wife of Bishop George Halliday; born at Higham, Leicestershire, England, August 11, 1832; joined the Mormon Church at Bristol, England, in the year 1851; emigrated to Utah in the year 1853, resided at Salt Lake City until 1864, when the family came to Pleasant Grove, where she lived until her death. She has held the office of treasurer of the Relief Society for fourteen years. She was a devoted wife, an affectionate mother and a conscientious Saint. She leaves a husband and three sons and three daughters, and one daughter gone before. She has a host of kindred and a great number of friends to mourn her demise.

##### CHRISTIAN JENSEN.

Elder Christian Jensen, who died at Richfield, Sevier Co., Utah, Friday, Aug. 12, 1898, was born at Gronholt, Flade Logn, Hjørring Amt, Denmark, April 30, 1826. He learned the watchmaker's trade early in life and followed this to a greater or less extent to the time of his demise. After his marriage in 1847, he served his county during the war between Denmark and Germany (1848-1850), and soon afterwards became acquainted with Mormonism, through some of the first Elders who labored in that part of the country where he resided. Believing their testimony, he and wife were baptized Dec. 8, 1854, by Elder Christen L. Hansen, now a resident of Gunnison, Sanpete county. The deceased and his wife were among the first who embraced the fulness of the Gospel in eastern Vendsyssel.

Soon after his baptism the late Brother Jensen was ordained to the Priesthood, and as an Elder in the Church he devoted a great deal of his time for many years to preaching the Gospel in his native land; and in many places he was very successful in his labors and had great influence with the people. After presiding over several branches of the Church on the main land, he was called on a special mission to Laso, an island situated in the Cattegat, about midway between Jutland and Sweden, where several unsuccessful attempts had been made by other Elders to introduce the Gospel

among the inhabitants. Elder Jensen appeared among the islanders as a tradesman, and would repair time pieces in private houses; and after he had got the watches or clocks all taken apart, he would often introduce religion and himself as a Mormon missionary. This would in many instances have resulted in his immediate ejection from the house, as the people on the island were highly prejudiced against the Mormons, but the fact that he had their time pieces in a chaotic state before him compelled them to tolerate him till he was through with his mechanical labor, and by that time he had generally become their friend, and had modified their feelings in regard to his religion. Soon he made converts and commenced to baptize, and the result was the Byrum branch of the Church, of which branch there are several representatives in Utah.

With his wife and two sons (Andrew and Joseph) he emigrated to Utah in 1866 crossing the Atlantic in the ship Kenilworth and the plains in Captain A. H. Scott's ox train. His third son (Jens C.) followed three years later. He settled first at Ephraim, Sanpete county, but during the last eighteen years of his life he was a resident of Richfield Sevier county, where he filled several positions of honor and trust, and was universally known as a good and honest man, and a faithful Latter-day Saint. His great sympathy for the poor was exhibited in the fact that he spent nearly all the means he could spare from an economical living to emigrate his poor relatives and others from his native land. Upwards of a score were thus benefited, most of whom were in attendance at his funeral, which took place from the Richfield bowery, Sunday, August 14, 1898. Among the speakers on that occasion were William H. Clark and Joseph Horne of the Sevier Stake presidency. Elder P. E. Westman, Bishop Theodore Brandley and Counselor Simon Christensen, who all spoke of the sterling integrity and great devotion of the deceased to the work of God. None in the town of Richfield, said one of the speakers, had been more diligent in Temple labor than Elder Jensen, who was just finishing his work of adoption in behalf of his ancestry for five generations back in the Mantl Temple, when he was attacked with the disease which caused his death two months later.

Our late brother had a great desire for preaching the Gospel, and regretted very much that his physical condition made him unfit for foreign missions. Soon after his return from the war in 1850, he met with an accident which crippled him for life, as it resulted in the amputation of his right foot, immediately above the ankle, soon after his arrival in Utah.

Elder Jensen leaves two wives, three sons and sixteen grandchildren to mourn his loss. Of his sons, Elder Andrew Jensen, one of the assistant Church historians, is perhaps best known in the community. His two other sons reside at Pleasant Grove, Utah county.

## THE DEAD.

Peaceful be Their Rest.

BRIDGE.—In this city, September 7, 1898, Joseph Bridge, aged 58 years, of Nottingham, England.

MACKAY.—At Taylorsville, at 10:15 a. m., Sept. 7, Pearl Elizabeth, daughter of Joshua and Lura Mackay, aged 9 months and 20 days, of summer complaint.