

Erickson has received a regular pension from the Danish government by reason of her husband having been the royal coachman of king Frederick VII, who died in 1864. Mr. Erickson's position was one of honor and importance and only entrusted to the most capable and trustworthy men.

Notwithstanding her advanced age, Mrs. Erickson is physically vigorous and mentally active and clear in whatever she does. She has many friends who hope to see her pass the century mark of earthly existence.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY, NOVEMBER 21.

Brigham City, Nov. 20, 1898.—George Mortensen, aged 16 years, went out to shoot ducks with some friends on Saturday last. While going through a wire fence, or rather when about to go through, he and a companion stopped and held a conversation, then went to look at a duck he had shot, and having loaded again saw other birds, and holding the gun in front of him, the stock on the ground with both hands around the barrel, looking over them at the dead duck. By some unexplained means the hammerless gun went off and the full charge entered near the jugular vein, completely severing it and passing through his head. Death was instantaneous. The deceased was a son of Ole Mortensen. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved family.

A team belonging to the Scott-Strevell Hardware company caused a commotion on East Temple street a few minutes before twelve o'clock noon today. The team started near South Temple and ran directly down the street, drawing the heavy wagon to which it was hitched. When it reached the Constitution building a covered buggy belonging to Mr. Edward Webb was standing in the street. Mrs. Webb was in the rig, while her husband was up stairs. The hardware rig caught the hind wheels of the buggy, overturning it and throwing Mrs. Webb violently on the pavement, injuring her quite seriously. Mr. Webb's horse became frightened and also ran away, dashing down the street after the hardware team, both of them smashing rigs on their way down. The runaway horses were caught near Second South after doing considerable damage. The hardware rig was badly broken.

Our Brigham farmers report very satisfactory results from this year's experimenting with the sugar beet, says the Brigham Bugler. Eleven farmers gave it a trial. As high as nineteen tons to the acre were raised, some of the beets showing a high degree of saccharine. Sixteen cars in all were shipped from Brigham, totaling 516,000 pounds or 258 tons. At \$3.75 a ton, the Ogden sugar factory's price f. o. b., Brigham, that nets our farmers \$967.50 for this year's experimental beet crop. The indications are that Brigham's output of beets to the factory next year will be vastly in excess of this year.

The Brigham farmers who went into the business this year and the number of pounds of sugar beets raised by each are given below: Joseph W. Hansen, 114,305; Wm. Kotter, 91,185; James Christensen, 67,985; J. A. Hansen, 64,870; H. L. Kotter, 51,460; P. N. Peirce, 45,020; Lorenzo Hansen, 32,490; Hans Olson, 25,995; Chas. Wight, J., 14,535; Henry Jensen, 4,845; Jens. Hansen, 3,190; total, 515,880.

Monroe, Utah, 21—Clear and cold; no snow.

Gunnison, 21—Snowed yesterday and last night; been cold but warmer today.

Richfield—Very cold; snow about inch deep; clearing off.

Manti—Very cold; no snow.

Mt. Pleasant—Fair and cold; light snow on ground.

Spring City—Clear and very cold; no snow.

Ephraim—Clear and very cold; no snow.

Salina—Fair and cold; no snow.

Fountain Green—Very cold; light snow on ground.

Fillmore—Cloudy and warm; snow melting fast.

Scipio—Cloudy and cold; little snow on ground.

Provo—Clear but cold; very little snow.

Logan—Very cold and clear, about 2 inches of snow.

Paris, Ida.—Very cold and clear; about half an inch of snow on the ground.

Franklin, Ida.—Clear and cold; snow about 3 inches deep.

Beaver—Clear and mild; little snow this morning, but all gone now.

Parowan—Six inches snow fell yesterday; ground still covered; clear and mild.

Cedar City—About two inches snow yesterday; clear today; hard frost last night.

St. George—Clear and cold; no snow or snow; windy yesterday.

Toquerville—Had little snow last night here, and rather cold today.

Kanab—Very cold last night; clear today. No snow.

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY, NOVEMBER 22.

A special to the "News" from Fillmore late this afternoon says the county commissioners have found no change in the official count for representative and that Callister, Republican, wins over Greenwood, Democrat, by eight votes.

John C. Lynch, the veteran miner, whose illness and presence in the Holy Cross hospital was recently noted in the "News," died at that institution yesterday afternoon from pneumonia. The deceased had been ailing for several months, and was taken down with a severe cold, which developed into the trouble that carried him off. He was well and widely known in mining and business circles, and came west in the early sixties. He was a native of Rhode Island, but spent the last thirty years or more almost continuously in the West, engaged alternately in mining and stock raising. He leaves three sons to mourn his departure.

NOTES FROM AFTON.

Afton, Uinta County, Wyo.,

November 16, 1898.

It is seldom a communication appears in your valuable paper from here. So perhaps a few lines may be of interest to your readers.

"Afton, sweet Afton," is situated in a lovely valley one day's ride from the mail coach from Montpelier. Beautiful streams of pure crystal water gushing from the mountains flow by the humble log cabin, the rustic cottage and more stately homes of the good, quiet sociable people. The ward meeting house by its loftier tower seems to add a touch of reverent inspiration to the village which nestles near the foot of the east mountains, whose lofty heights, trimmed with the dark foliage of stately pines and the variegated color of wild cherry and other shrubs, the bright gold of the quaking asps, colored by autumn frosts, form a lovely contrast to the snow-clad summits that protect us from the rude blasts of winter.

Election matters caused a few ruffles upon the quiet that usually pervades

our town, but no very bad words or actions are reported.

Our quarterly conference closed yesterday; we had an enjoyable time. Elder Geo. Osmond and counselors were present, and although none of our Apostles or other leading men from Salt Lake favored us with their presence, our Stake presidency gave evidence of their good tact in selecting speakers to insure a right good time. The singing on Sunday was an interesting feature. Music is a divine art. It always was acceptable to God and His Saints and a part of religious service and education.

Afton seems so far away from head of the Church that we seldom have visitors from headquarters, but we are thankful we have good, capable men presiding in the Stake. AFTON.

THE MONEY QUESTION.

Kukaulau, Hawaii, Nov. 1st, 1898.

I observe in the "Deseret Weekly News" of Sept. 27th, 1898, an editorial headed "The Money Question," in which you disclaim any intention of discussing the money question, considering it "too profound and far-reaching a subject for a newspaper to discuss except in a more or less abstract way. . . . It has mystical qualities."

While, as you state, mystery attaches to our present money system, it arises mainly from its being founded upon a wrong basis. It being wholly private money, manipulated by private interests, for private gain, not for the general welfare, cannot be circulated if its owners refuse.

I mail you a book on Public Money, a Constitutional money system for the general welfare. A money to be produced, owned and loaned by the people through their agents, to the government, to states and to individuals who demand it and furnish the required security, at a tax of 3 per cent per annum. I promise you, Mr. Editor, with this system of money there would be no mystery and no more money panics. It would be no more mysterious or difficult to supply measures of value to measure all values produced by labor, than it would to make scales to weigh them or measures to define their length. There would always be enough full legal tender money to fill industrial demand, consisting of gold and silver coin, at a ratio of 16 to 1, and government bank paper, all kept on a parity without a gold redemption, and always in reach of borrowers with the proper security. It will prevent money surpluses, money famines and money panics.

The book shows how all this and many other valuable things may be done.

JNO. M. HORNER.

The steamer Coptic brought the following time-expired soldiers from Manila: Sergeants Fitzgerald and Altmeyer and Privates Decker and Ryan of the Eighth Infantry; Sergeant Hogan and Private Engall of the Fourth Infantry; Private Murphy of the Third artillery, and Private Bohi of the hospital corps. Seaman Bayley, of the McCulloch, and J. S. Lawton, a marine from the Olympia, were also on board, bound for Mare Island to receive their discharge from the service.

J. D. Farrell, who was recently elected president of the Pacific Coast company, arrived at Seattle Monday and assumed active charge. Mr. Farrell expressed himself as anxious to continue pleasant relation existing between the Pacific Coast company and the Northern Pacific, Canadian Pacific, and the O. R. & N. company. He was not there, he said, to cause any friction, but to do his best toward carrying out the present policy of the company, and keep on enhancing the value of the property.