

do not want my friends to know that I have come to such an end, so I do not specify to what lodges I belong, but rely on my brothers to take a brother's word. My name is assumed, and I am unknown at Denver. I much regret the trouble I am causing.

IN THE EUROPEAN MISSION.

[Millennial Star, March 31, 1898.]

Releases and Appointments—The following named missionaries have been honorably released to return home May 5, 1898: John W. Robertson, president of the Irish conference; Joseph S. Broadbent, traveling Elder in the Manchester conference; Abel M. Roper, traveling Elder in the Sheffield conference; Peter Allan, traveling Elder in the Scottish conference; J. F. Russon, Samuel G. Garbett and Francis D. Hughes, traveling Elders in the Birmingham conference; Arthur Townsend, traveling Elder in the Leeds conference. Elder Hector A. McQuarrie has been appointed to preside over the Irish conference.

RETURNED ELDERS.

The "News" has received a pleasant call from Elder Amos A. Fuller, who has just returned from a mission to the Eastern States. Elder Fuller left his home in Mill Creek, Salt Lake county, on March 28, 1896, and on arriving at the headquarters of the Eastern States mission, he was assigned to labor in the Pennsylvania conference. For about nine months his missionary duties were performed in Scranton, Pa., and for a like period he continued his labors in the vicinity; then for six months he traveled and preached in Susquehanna county, Pa. He met with good success, had excellent health, and generally was received kindly, by the people. There is much indifference to religion, but some of the people were very desirous of learning the Gospel truths.

Elder Fuller had the privilege of visiting the place where the Prophet Joseph Smith translated the Book of Mormon. The old house is yet standing there, in a fair state of preservation. Its location is in Oakland township, formerly a part of Harmony township. Not far distant is the place where Joseph, when a young man, was employed by Josiah Stone to work on a silver prospect, the signs of the digging still being visible, but there is no mine there.

HOG MILLET

Hickman, Smith Co., Tenn.

April 18, 1898.

Dear Sir—Before me is the "Weekly News" of April 2nd, in which I note an article from L. S. H. of Payson, asking for information of Mr. Coleman, Neb., on hog millet.

As I have had some experience with the "nuisance" in a limited degree, permit me a word of caution. There are many grasses as well as other plants of the vegetable kingdom that will do all right for certain climates and localities; but you transfer that plant to some other section of the globe, where climate, soil, etc., is better adapted for it, and it will become a nuisance. For instance, the Lantana in America is nourished very tenderly as a house plant, while on the Sandwich Islands, where it was transported to adorn the beautiful gardens of the tropics, it has proven a curse to the land, a nuisance to the planter, and an aggravation to the stock raiser. The wind and the birds carry the seeds into every nook and corner; thus it becomes scattered over the land.

So it is with hog millet, only it is much harder to kill out after once started. My experience is that I have had enough of it. About nine years ago

there was a small bunch of the roots, joint-rush like, planted in my mother's garden. For two years it grew undisturbed; at the end of which time I saw it was going to take possession of the garden if something were not done. So I commenced at once to dig it up, destroying every root I could find, many of which were about the size of a man's little finger with joints about as close. For two years (summers) I endeavored to kill it out, but was not successful. It could be killed out, though, I believe, by keeping moisture from it.

It would be well for Mr. H. to understand the nature of the grass he is inquiring after before sowing it on his farm. It might prove the ruination of his farm and many others.

These few ideas, if given thought and consideration, may save some farmers unnecessary labor and worry.

The "News" is ever a welcome visitor from "Utah, the Queen of the West."

H. E. DUFFIN,

Of Toquerville, Wash. Co., Utah.

Washington, April 25.—Commander Forsythe, commanding the naval station at Key West, has reported to the navy department the seizure of three more Spanish prizes by Captain Sampson's fleets. He says that on the 24th the Detroit sent into Key West the prize steamer Catalina of Cadiz, and that yesterday the Cushing and Algonquin arrived at Key West with two Spanish schooners which had been seized in neighboring waters. The last two named prizes were towed into port by the Algonquin, one of the recent acquisitions to the navy.

OBITUARY NOTES

MARY A. HARRISON.

Ridgeway, S. C., April 9, 1898

With regret I inform the readers of the "Deseret News" of the death of Sister Mary A. Harrison, who passed away, March 23, 1898, at her father's residence near Ridgeway. She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in full fellowship, and had always been faithful to her duties ever since baptized into the Church. It was her desire to see some of the Elders. But none could be present. She bore a strong testimony to the truth of the Gospel a few minutes previous to her death. Through God's mighty hand of wisdom we are separated from her presence, but we are told that the faithful shall be reunited. Let us live faithful, so that when we are called away from this earth we may be prepared, as Sister Harrison was.

PRESTON M. JOYNER.

GEORGE W. McMULLIN.

A sad death occurred in St. George on the 4th of April, 1898, in the person of George W. McMullin, after months of suffering. He leaves a widow and four children, and it is a very hard and serious time indeed with the widow. Only a few months ago she lost her infant of a few months old, it being the one thousandth person interred in the St. George cemetery. Since its death she has also laid away her brother, a promising young man, and now she has had to lay away her loving husband.

He was born on the 5th of October, 1859. The funeral services were presided over by Elder Thomas P. Cottom. Consoling words were spoken by Elders George T. Jarvis, John G. McQuarey, William Atkin, Samuel L. Adams and Thomas J. Cottom, each of whom would gladly help to calm the troubled waters of sorrow that have come upon this devoted wife and mother. It was truly said of him that he was an honest, upright man in all his dealings, whose delight it was to do

good and to provide for his loved ones, but it is a pleasure to know that his wife in her sorrow is surrounded with loving friends.

WILLIAM ATKIN.

MARY ROBBINS GOODLIFFE.

Park Valley, April 15, 1898.—It becomes our painful duty to chronicle the death of Mary Robbins Goodliffe, wife of our Bishop Arnold Goodliffe, and for nearly twenty years president of the Snowville Relief Society. "Aunt Mary" whose name was a household word from the aged and infirm to the infant prattler, passed from this mortal sphere April 8, (Friday) 1898, at 3:30 a. m. Seven months ago she had a paralytic stroke, from which through the fastings, prayers, faith and administrations of the Priesthood and ward organizations, she greatly recovered. About March 8th she began to fail and gradually faded until the end came which was "as calm and pleasant as a summer's morn." All that loving hands and sorrowing hearts could do was done but to no avail.

Funeral services were held in Snowville school house, April 11, at 2 p. m. Relatives and friends assembled at the home of the deceased, formed in line with Relief Society at head. The remains of "Aunt Mary" were reverently and sadly borne by her six nephews from her home to its last resting place. The speakers, Elders Wm. V. Bunderson, Chas. Bailey of Wellsville, relatives of deceased and Wm. Hurd who was in charge of the meeting, vied with each other in extolling the virtues of our loved "Aunt Mary," speaking glowing terms of her unwavering faith in the Gospel and its ordinances up to her last moment. They exhorted all to follow her example, and spoke words of comfort and consolation to her sorrowing husband, (by whose side she had traveled for over forty years) and her sorrowing family.

Aunt Mary died at the ripe age of 57 years, nine months and twelve days. She had passed through the trying ordeal of losing father and mother when but a girl, leaving her to battle with the world alone and to endure the hardships and privations which the early settlers of these valleys had to pass through.

Quiet and unassuming, her life was a sermon to all; she has laid her weary body down until the morning of the resurrection. BEE.

THE DEAD.

Peaceful be their Rest.

SPIGIER.—At 2:20 p. m., on the 20th inst., at the family residence, Twenty-second ward, Elizabeth M. C. Spigier.

SCHOFIELD.—In the Twentieth ward, this city, April 20, 1898, of congestion of the brain, Nephi Clifford, infant son of Nephi Y. and Ellen Romoey Schofield.

DRAKEFORD.—At rear of 44 North Second West street, Salt Lake City, Utah, April 19, 1898, of measles and pneumonia, Maud Eliza Drakeford; aged 2 years and 3 months.

VANDAM.—Died at Sandy, April 19, 1898, at 3 p. m., of heart failure, Mary E., wife of Herbert Vandam; daughter of David M. Evans and the late Mary Holding; aged 41 years, 1 month and 4 days.

CLAWSON.—In Salt Lake City, April 19, 1898, Rugder Elmo, son of Rugder Clawson and Mrs. Florence Dinwoodey Morris, aged 13 years and 3 months, of acute Bright's disease.

ABBOTT.—In the Nineteenth ward, Salt Lake City, on Wednesday morning, April 20, 1898, at 2:25, of valvular disease of the heart, Lott Josephina Barrell, the beloved wife of Charles H. Abbott and daughter of Charles and Emma Barrell, aged 37 years, 1 month and 28 days. She leaves a husband and four small children and many friends to mourn her loss, the youngest child being only 11 days old.