

brought suit in the Third district court against the Salt Lake City Railway company to recover damages in the sum of \$10,000 for personal injuries.

On September 12th, of the present year, Mrs. Murray was a passenger on the Lake Breeze car, coming towards the city. She hailed the car somewhere near Fifth West street, and had only reached the platform when, as she alleges, the motorman set the car in motion without either a signal from the conductor or himself giving the slightest warning. Plaintiff was thrown backwards against the power-box with great violence, and being with child at the time a miscarriage resulted. Her back was badly and, as she avers, permanently injured. Carelessness on the part of the company's servants is therefore alleged.

H. S. Drake, a miner about 30 years of age who hails from Mercur and who has been in the city at frequent intervals for the past few months, created a profound sensation at the Salt Lake Sanitarium on Third South street about 10 o'clock Wednesday by firing a bullet into his head.

Drake was alone and chartered a private bath room in which he had been but a short time when the shooting occurred. He was found in a semi-conscious condition and was carried to a cot in an ante-room where he received surgical attention from the hands of Dr. Dalby, who extracted a .44-caliber bullet from the base of the skull. Drake has been dissipating a good deal of late and it is thought he attempted suicide in a moment of despondency, though this he denied on recovering consciousness. He was taken to the police station where he passed the night. Today he was removed to the hospital and the doctor says he will recover.

SCOTFIELD, Utah, Dec. 29, 1894.—We did not escape the general visitation of hard frost recently, the registration being 35 below. The weather has moderated, however, and we are having a gentle snow storm.

There was no public celebration of Christmas here, but the people seemed to join in groups at neighbors' houses and have a good time.

The Wasatch Store Co. distributed 130 turkeys among their customers.

The mines at Scofield and Winter Quarters are only working about two days a week. It seems we are like most other places, having too many men for the amount of work there is to do.

Winter Quarters is badly in need of a postoffice and is as much entitled to one as Scofield is.

William Howells has moved to the boarding house at Winter Quarters, preparatory to doing business by the first of the year.

Several of our young men have taken unto themselves wives lately. They seem to think if they can keep a wife when it is hard times, they can keep a family in good times.

Some of the Carbon county officers-elect don't know how they are going to qualify to take their office by the first of the year, as there is no county judge here. A MORMON BOY.

Mr. E. A. Folland, who came home from Deseret January 1, told a story to a News man which shows that the days of adventure and terror in

western mining camps are not yet altogether a thing of the past.

He says that last night he saw the sheriff of Juab county and his deputies coming to from the Drum mining camp. They had in custody five as hard looking men as he ever saw and they bore external evidence of terrible punishment. The fact was a desperate battle had been fought and they had come out second best. It appears that they went to the camp to question a couple of weeks ago. They were armed with Winchester rifles and revolvers and at once proceeded to create terror by their conduct which was of the outlaw character, to a startling degree. Whenever any man remonstrated he would be told to hold his peace or make his will and prepare to be the subject of a coroner's inquest.

The gang took possession of the only saloon in the camp and turned the proprietor into the street. The next step was to firmly entrench themselves in the saloon which they held for five days. Finally they became so bilious that they set fire to the whiskey and burned the place down. In the meantime a courier had been dispatched to Nephi and the sheriff called upon to dislodge the outlaws. The official responded with a posse of men and he brought the gang back after a desperate encounter. Strange to say no one was killed. The desperadoes were headed by a man who calls himself Lotus Madison. They are now in jail and as a consequence the citizens of the Drum Mining camp are feeling greatly relieved at their absence.

BEAVER, Utah, December 28th.—The remains of John C. Murdock, one of the most prominent and respected citizens of Utah, were laid away in Beaver City cemetery on December 27, 1894. His body was taken from McCammon, Idaho, the place of his death, to Salt Lake City, and after being neatly placed in a beautiful casket was taken to Milford in the private car of Hon. P. T. Farnsworth, his brother-in-law, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Farnsworth, P. T. Farnsworth Jr., Barlow Ferguson and Abe Fotheringham. From Milford the body was taken to Beaver in a wagon, followed by Mrs. P. T. Farnsworth and so, two brothers of the deceased, George C. and Joseph R. Murdock, Abe Fotheringham and Mr. Ferguson.

At Beaver the entire community was in mourning and there was a universal turnout at the meeting house, where the impressive funeral services were held. The Beaver brass band led the funeral procession to the grave, followed by about fifty young men dressed in uniform, the hearse, carriages and the entire community.

At the public meeting the choir sang beautiful hymns, and remarks of condolence to the relatives, and of praise for the many good deeds of the deceased, were made by Elders M. L. Sheppard, C. D. White, Barlow Ferguson and Blauop Mumford.

The remains were placed at the side of Miss Maria Thompson, his betrothed, who died about twenty-two years ago. At the cemetery a beautiful quartette, "He's Gone," was sung by Daniel Beck, Laura Beck, Annie Robison and Hyrum Johnson, the same that was sung at the funeral of Miss Thompson.

The funeral was the largest ever held in the southern part of this Territory. B. F.

O. J. Salisbury, chairman, and Frank Jennings, member of the police and fire commission of this city have nearly completed the first term of their official career. Under the law their terms expire on January 1st of the new year, but they of course hold over until their successors are appointed and qualified.

The first complete reports to be made for the year which closes with today will come from the police and fire departments. The full record of the police department is a voluminous one and will go to the commission at their meeting tonight. It has been compiled by Desk Sergeant Mackintosh and the manner in which the work has been done proves him to be a most competent person in that particular line of business. To John Chalmers as clerk of the fire department has fallen the task of reordering an account of the doings of that branch of the city government, and the showing is a most excellent one.

Chief Devore's report will show that there have been 118 fires in the city during the twelve months ending at midnight December 31, 1894, unless there shall be other fires to record within that time in which event of course the number will be increased. The loss is given at \$32,073.72 and the insurance paid \$25,923.72 making a total loss of only \$6,150 over and above the insurance.

There are twenty-six men and officers in the department including the chief, four less than employed in 1893. The total cost of maintenance, supplies and improvements for the year is \$34,913.85 and the receipts \$526.32. The 1894 report will also show an expenditure of \$4,684.50 for 1893, an amount which was omitted from the report of that year.

Clerk James, of the police court, completed his report to day and it shows:

Number of cases tried during 1894 to be 3,396 as against 2,762 in 1893.

To fines assessed during year \$25,400.55 as against \$22,615 in 1893.

To cash, collected from old fines, \$2.

By amount of fines appealed to district court, \$599.20. In 1894 the amount was \$405.

By amount of fines paid in labor \$10,515.80 as against \$9,179.15 in 1893.

By amount of cash paid into the city treasury \$14,287.55 as against \$13,082.85 in 1893; total, \$25,402.55.

Mayor Bassin remitted fines aggregating \$706 during the year.

The formal opening and dedication to public use of the great joint city and county building Friday afternoon marks an interesting and important epoch in the history of this city and Territory. It is one of the most magnificent and stately structures of the kind in this land of splendid architectural achievements.

Three o'clock was the hour set for the ceremonies to begin, but long before that time hundreds of admiring citizens poured into the building and wandered about its spacious corridors, climbed and descended its great, broad stairs and inspected the many rooms occupied by the various branches of the city and county governments and board of education.