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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1903. SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

FIFTY-THIRD YEAR.

DOCTORS QUARREL OVER SICK WOMAN

The City and County Physicians wrangle for days and decline to attend patient.

PASSED HER UP TO LANDLADY.

Stewart Alleged to Have Threatened Quarantine if Mrs. Riddle Did Not Keep Quiet.

HACKMAN THEN GOT RAKE-OFF.

Refused to Remove the Girl Unless He Was Paid Five Dollars for a One Dollar Job.

The indignation of the guests of the Halle hotel on State and Third South street, has been aroused to a volcanic pitch by the arbitrary actions of City Physician Stewart and his assistant over the case of a young woman who was taken sick at that place Saturday last.

According to the statement made this morning by several of the guests, a young woman called at The Halle last week to seek employment. Mrs. Riddle, the landlady, gave the young woman work but she was unable to perform the task required of her, and on Saturday she became very ill. Her condition was such as to cause alarm, and the county and city physicians were notified of her case and asked to attend her. Dr. Mayo responded and, after examining the patient, said she should have immediate care. He stated, however, that the case belonged to the city.

Dr. Stewart and his assistant then visited the place and agreed with Dr. Mayo that the sick woman should be taken care of, but they declared that it was the county's case. This resurrected the old fight between the county and city physician concerning such cases, and finally the city physician decided that it was the duty of Mrs. Riddle to care for the unfortunate young woman. Mrs. Riddle said she was not able to employ a trained nurse and insisted that the city authorities should take charge of the case. Mrs. Riddle also intimated that the guests were enraged at the indifference displayed by the physicians and threatened to make the matter public.

According to the statements made to a "News" reporter this morning Dr. Stewart and his assistant told Mrs. Riddle if she dared to say anything to the papers they would quarantine the place, although they said the patient was suffering from lung and heart trouble.

"If you ruffle us the wrong way we will put the whole house under quarantine," they are reported to have said to the landlady. The latter became frightened and refused to discuss the matter to the "News," but the reporter managed to secure the information from another source.

Yesterday afternoon the city physician informed Mrs. Riddle that Miss Wilson would be taken to the hospital if she (Mrs. Riddle) would pay for the vehicle. The landlady said she was not able to pay for it. Last evening a hack drove up to the State street entrance and the sick woman was placed inside. Then the hackdriver refused to budge an inch until he was paid \$5. Mrs. Riddle said she only had \$2.50 and was unable to pay the fee demanded. The hackdriver was determined, however, and Mrs. Riddle had to borrow \$2.50 more before the sick woman could be taken to the hospital.

A PLEASANT OCCASION.

Celebration of the Eighty-Ninth Birthday of a "Mother in Israel."

A large party of relatives and friends assembled at the rooms occupied by Dr. Romana B. Pratt in the Constitutional building, on Thursday, in honor of her mother, Mrs. Esther Bunell, on the occasion of her 89th birthday. The aged lady, one of the old residents of this city, though somewhat feeble and with very defective sight and hearing, was in good health and spirits and, surrounded by a number of her sons and daughters and their partners and children, enjoyed the sumptuous dinner prepared for them all, and graced the table by her patient, serene and cheerful presence. Choice flowers adorned the festive board, the utmost harmony prevailed, and everybody participated in the festive. The contributions to the general hilarity, and joined in congratulating the venerable "grandma" on attaining to so advanced an age and in wishing her, as we do, "many happy returns of the day."

THEY GET THREE MONTHS.

Smith and Burks Sentenced for Housebreaking—Lloyd Discharged.

In Judge Diehl's court this morning the case of the State vs. Joseph Smith, James Burke, J. W. Lloyd and Mrs. Clara Burke, charged with housebreaking, was called. On motion of the county attorney the complaint against Lloyd and Mrs. Burke were dismissed, and they were discharged. Smith and Burke pleaded guilty to petit larceny and were sentenced to serve three months in the county jail.

HESS FUNERAL SATURDAY.

Arrangements for a Special Train to Farmington on That Occasion.

The funeral services over the remains of the late President Hess of Davis stake will be held on Saturday morning at 11 o'clock at the Farmington meetinghouse. A special train will leave Salt Lake over the Salt Lake & Ogden railroad at 9 a. m., returning leave Farmington 30 minutes after the service. A special rate of 50 cents for the round trip has been authorized for the occasion.

FIGHTING FOR WYOMING.

Fuel Company Officials Size Up Situation of Coal Strikes.

There was an increase of five miners at Clear Creek this morning, the number at the other camps remaining the same, and there was a slight increase in the tonnage. Fuel company officials call attention to the fact that their company has in reality been fighting the battles of the Wyoming coal camp; and it is claimed that had the agitators been successful in obtaining the Utah coal camps, they would have made a move on the Wyoming camps in short order, and then every coal mine in Utah and Wyoming would have been closed up until the Colorado troubles were settled. With a coal famine on in the three states, there would have been wide distress.

CONTAGION IN WATERLOO.

Trustees Deny That School Building is Responsible.

The trustees of the Portsch school district have been greatly annoyed of late because of the charge made by certain individuals that every case of diphtheria that occurs in Waterloo can be traced to that school, and that the building is a disease-breeding institution and should be burned. The fact is, say they, that the school is entirely free from every vestige of disease, and is in no wise responsible for the outbreak of the malady in that locality. The schoolhouse is equipped with every modern convenience, is well ventilated and has been thoroughly fumigated so that there is no contagion in the building. It is not just as healthy as other schools. The trustees declare that the parties responsible for the outbreak are those who themselves of a most flagrant violation of the quarantine regulations, and that their conduct, more than anything else, perhaps, is due the spread of the disease in that neighborhood. Then, again, a great many of the cases reported are among children not of school age, and also among some who do not attend the school in that section. Meanwhile, the school is closed as a necessary precaution in such cases.

NEW KIND OF FUEL.

D. M. McAllister of this city found a regulation army revolver cartridge in his coal bin, and came from Wyoming, in this city, makes it the duty of the members thereof to frame a constitution and by-laws, and to call for a meeting, which took place Nov. 3.

RELIEF SOCIETY FAIR.

The Thirteenth ward Relief society will hold a fair this evening in the ward assembly rooms, at which many useful and beautiful Christmas presents will be on sale. An enjoyable entertainment will also be given at the close of the evening. Doors will be open at 7 o'clock and the program will commence at 8:15.

VOTES FOR QUEEN.

Seventy-Four Thousand Cast at Granite Stake Fair.

The Granite stake fair continues to be well patronized. Yesterday, children's day, was perhaps the banner day of the season, there being nearly 5,000 youngsters there during the afternoon, with an attendance of fully half that number during the evening. There is no denying the fact that the people of Granite stake have entered into the spirit of the thing and they are turning out in immense throngs with no other object in view than that of making the fair successful. The booths are well run upon each day's business amounts to a good round sum. Last night there was a very creditable operatic performance and tonight there will be other features to add to the enjoyment of the occasion. "Wonderland," under the capable and painstaking management of B. Morris Young, is still one of the amusing features of the fair. The fortune teller, through its darkened labyrinth is well worth the money paid. Then there is the historical relics booth, which contains perhaps the finest collection of such things in the state. The candy, toy and art booths are also features of the occasion, while the gypsy booth is true to life, even to the unveiling of hidden mysteries. The future of the fair is being pushed with much vigor and indications are that before the contest is completed there will be many a skirmish for first place. At the close of the evening's ballot the vote stood as follows:

Carrie Nelson, Big Cottonwood, 15,420; Jessie Christopherson, Farmers, 13,330; Lily Hicks, South Cottonwood, 13,190; Fenne Park, Mill Creek, 8,345; Ethel Garm, Garden View, 7,380; Verona Gibson, Murray, 5,535; Minnie Heat, Wilford, 4,005; Emeline Marsden, Taylorville, 1,305; Maud McCreary, Hunter, 1,100; Clara Meyers, Grant, 845; Elmina Melroe, Granger, 845; May Smith, Sugar, 845; Elaine Neff, East Mill Creek, 250.

BOUQUETS FOR KRAMER.

Manager P. J. Quealy of the Kemmerer coal mines is at the Knutsford. He reports the situation in Wyoming as quiet, and free from attempts at unionism. He considers Vice President Kramer as having won a notable fight.

F. L. WILLIS HERE.

General Secretary F. L. Willis of the Omaha A. M. C. A. is visiting today with Secretary Cox of the Salt Lake association, enroute east with Mrs. Willis from an extended coast trip. Mr. Willis reports a membership of 1,700 in the Omaha central association and 400 in the south Omaha association, and the work at the Nebraska metropolis is progressing finely. Mr. Willis says that the military secretary of the Y. M. C. A. is J. H. Banks of New York, and he believes that that officer will be able to organize a fine branch at Fort Douglas. Mr. Willis speaks very hopefully of the growth of unionism in this country.

PENSIONS FOR UTAHNS.

(Special to the "News.") Washington, D. C., Dec. 17.—Utah pensioners: Ephraim C. Holmes, 83; Eugene L. Austin, 84; Eugene H. Dunbar, 82.

CUBAN RECIPROCIty BILL BECOMES LAW

President Signed it a Few Minutes Before One O'clock This Afternoon.

IT RAISES SOME QUESTIONS.

Great Britain Expects Same Treatment for Her Sugar Under Most Favored Nation Clause.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The president signed the Cuban reciprocity bill a few minutes before 1 o'clock this afternoon. When the house convened today the speaker signed the bill, carrying into effect the Cuban reciprocity treaty, using a gold pen provided by the Cuban minister.

Now that the bill has become a law a question of great interest has arisen, namely, the effect of the reduction of the duty on Cuban sugar upon importations of sugar from other countries. The British government has served formal notice upon the state department that under the favored nation clause it expects that British sugar from the British West Indies shall be admitted into the United States on equal terms with Cuban sugar, and it is not doubted that Germany, France, Austria and the other great beet sugar producing countries will do likewise. An old holding of the Gen. Landry under President Cleveland's administration was adverse to such demands, but the question promises to be re-opened with vigor.

CAPT. PHILLIPS' TROUBLES.

Col. Dodge Charges Him With Duplicating His Pay Accounts.

New York, Dec. 17.—Charges of duplicating his pay accounts for the months of October and November, were today preferred against Capt. W. L. Phillips, Twenty-seventh infantry, by Col. Francis S. Dodge, chief paymaster of the department of the east. Col. Dodge has forwarded papers in the case to the paymaster general at Washington for further action.

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TRUTH AND LIBERTY

Damage Case Comes to An Abrupt Termination in Ogden Court.

(Special to the "News.") Ogden, Utah, Dec. 17.—The case of Weber county vs. Thomas Smart, a suit for \$57 by reason of damage by Smart's sheep in Weber and South Fork canyons, came to an abrupt termination this morning by the defense springing a surprise which they had prepared for the plaintiff.

Placed Mr. Smart on the stand in order to prove that the sheep had traversed the roads in question. Smart willingly gave this testimony and went a step farther by explaining that while the sheep belonged to him they had been leased for nearly two years to a Mr. Butler, consequently Butler was the party responsible. This, coming from plaintiff's own witness was made the ground for a non-suit, which the county corner did not resist, merely stipulating that the case should be dismissed without prejudice to the bringing of a new action against Butler.

The eminent John H. Harrell vs. Ogden Sewer Pipe & Clay company was decided this morning against the plaintiff, when a sealed verdict brought in last night by the jury, was opened, finding that there was no cause of action. Harrell sued for \$10,000 for the loss of fingers in the company's clay crusher.

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