

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

Henry Reddish, a highly respected citizen of this place, died of paralysis on Tuesday last, at his home in North Farmington. He has been confined to his bed for over twelve months and has been a constant, though patient, sufferer. He leaves a large family to mourn his loss, and a wide circle of friends will pay loving tribute to his memory.

A daylight robbery was perpetrated Wednesday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. John Fenton, 537 west Fourth South. Mrs. Fenton was just moving into the house and had temporarily stepped outside when the thief entered and decamped with a gold chain and locket and a revolver and razor. He was detected by Mrs. Fenton and almost captured by some men whom she notified.

Early in the fifties there was published in England an engraving containing excellent portraits of the First Presidency of the Church and the Twelve Apostles as the quorum was constituted at that time; the First Presidency consisted of Presidents Brigham Young, Heber C. Kimball and Willard Richards. There are not many copies of the engraving to be secured at the present time, but Brother George Goddard has half a dozen in an excellent state of preservation, which he is willing to dispose of. They are of special value to descendants of those eminent men included in the group.

Elder Lester Stevenson, a missionary from this city in the Southern States, writing to his parents from Live Oak, Florida, says: Our president, Elder West, was taken very sick, his life being despaired of. The Elders fasted and prayed three days. Friends in their grief gathered around the bed of the apparently lifeless form. We laid our hands upon him with faith and invoked God's blessings upon him, and he immediately spoke, saying, "I am all right." He ate dinner, dressed himself and walked about the house, which he had not done before for two weeks.

Last Friday evening the R. G. W. station west of town was the scene of a burglary. Mr. Jos. Barton is the foreman in charge, and at the time of the burglary was out on the line and Mrs. Barton was up in Farmington attending to some shopping. On returning home she found that burglars, in all probability tramps, who are infesting this region, had entered the house and departed therefrom, with a suit of clothes, a rack, a watch chain and a few minor articles. There is no clue as to the perpetrators of the deed, further than it is surmised, the burglars were transient pedestrians of the genus hobo.

The Elders residing in South Jordan ward and Herriman ward were organized at South Jordan on Sunday, October 18th, 1896, and formed as the Twenty-fifth quorum of Elders of the Salt Lake Stake of Zion, with Brother William W. Beckstead as president, and Brother Phillip P. Jones as first counselor and Brother Charles E. Crane as second counselor. The Elders

in the wards named formerly belonged to the Sixteenth quorum of Elders.

The office of second counselor in the Sixteenth quorum being vacant, Brother Ambrose T. Mason was set apart as second counselor.

Elders Jonathan G. Kimball and Angus M. Cannon delivered some very timely remarks suited to the occasion.

The death of Miss Annie Broadbent of the Twenty-first ward Wednesday, came as a profound shock to her many friends, after an illness of fourteen days. It was generally understood that she was progressing favorably. The sudden and fatal termination of life was entirely unexpected. She was of a modest, loving disposition, and had endeared herself to all by her many noble qualities and kindness of heart. She will be greatly missed by a large circle of friends and acquaintances. She had been a member of the ward since her childhood, had acted as secretary of the Y. L. M. I. A., and at the time of her death was a member of the theological class of the Sunday school and ward choir, in which latter organization she had been an active member for years. She was the possessor of a beautiful soprano voice and had generously assisted on many occasions, and was esteemed a general favorite by all who knew her. Her widowed mother and only living sister have the heartfelt sympathy of a host of friends.

The quarterly Stake conference, which was held Saturday and Sunday, was greatly favored by the presence of many of the leading Elders of the Church. Elder George Q. Cannon, of the First Presidency, Elders Brigham Young, Heber J. Grant and George Teasdale, of the Quorum of Apostles, Patriarch John Smith, Dr. Karl G. Maeser, President Paxman of the Juab Stake, the presidency of the Utah Stake, were in attendance, together with members of the High Council and Bishops of most of the wards of the Stake.

Many timely instructions were given upon various topics of interest to the Saints, both of a temporal and spiritual nature. Union and obedience to the principles of the Gospel and compliance with the requirements of the servants of God, the law of tithing, the necessity for sustaining home industry, duties of parents to children, children to parents, virtue, purity and other principles tending to elevate and save, were interestingly and earnestly presented before the congregations by the aid influence of the Holy Spirit, and the meetings were greatly enjoyed by the Saints who were privileged to be present.

Councilman R. P. Morris will have the sincere sympathy of numberless friends in the loss of his daughter, Rachel. Her demise, which occurred at the family residence, 205 north, Seventh West street, Thursday, is like the plucking of a favorite flower in the early spring-time. She had been seriously ill for only one week.

"Rattle," as she was familiarly known, was a loveable and dutiful

girl just budding into womanhood. She was the hope and the pride of the family, and since the death of her mother a little more than a year ago was looked upon as the queen of the household. She was pre-eminently her "father's girl," and the benefits and blessings of a father's care were generously showered upon her. Always delicate and frail she received the attention due a tender plant. In return for these manifestations of kindness she scattered merriment and sunshine in her wake. She was always ambitious in her studies at school and all things considered made unusual progress. She graduated from the Jackson last year and had entered upon what promised to be an auspicious career in the High School. With her teachers and fellow-pupils she was always a prime favorite and all of them will mourn her death.

At 2 o'clock Monday morning Elder Thomas Dewey, a resident of the Fifth ward, this city, departed this life at the age of 63 years. Brother Dewey has been ailing for some time past but it was not until yesterday morning that his ailment took on a serious aspect, when he was rendered prostrate by a paralytic stroke, from which he never rallied.

The deceased was honored and respected by all who knew him and he was generally looked upon as a man of a kind and charitable disposition, ever ready to do good unto his fellow man. Simple, plain and unostentatious, he gained the good feelings of all of his associates, by whom his death will be deeply mourned.

Elder Dewey was a native of Derby, England, from which place he emigrated to this city in the year 1881. He was a faithful, unflinching Latter-day Saint, always upholding the principles of the Gospel and helping to sustain the Church of which he was a member. He leaves a wife and four children to mourn his sudden calling away, all of whom feel keenly the loss which they have sustained in the departure of a loving husband, a kind and indulgent father.

The public schools in Davis county were never in better condition than at present. There has ever been a deep interest taken in school work in this county, and this year it borders on enthusiasm. In many instances better buildings are being used for school purposes than formerly, and a decided increase of apparatus has been made.

In an interview with County Superintendent of Schools N. T. Porter Jr., he said to the NEWS representative, "We have a most proficient corps of teachers who are under a more complete county organization than ever before. The county organization is supplemented by local or district organizations where the teachers prepare special courses (outlined by the county school board) for the regular school course as well as for the Institute. We have engaged the services of Prof. Tuckett who conducts the musical exercises and already an improvement is seen in that line. At the beginning of the school season a much larger enrollment of pupils was had as compared with former years. The present conditions and future prospects insure a steady advance in the educational interests of this county."