

The young people notice such things and the instructions of those guilty of the practices referred to fall upon the ears of the young like dried peas upon a drum. The brethren should use pure wisdom, persuasion, love, kindness and gentleness as instruments in converting the reckless among the young, and not be continually hammering them by scolding and fault-finding. He counseled all to be loyal to their associations and to seek for the Spirit of God, as those who are in possession of that Spirit are the only ones who are really happy.

Elder Heber J. Grant showed the great necessity of working in order to attain success in any undertaking. He produced illustrations of how men had fallen from high positions in the Church through neglect and an inability to work; also the success which attended those who are constant workers. He stated how he became a baseball player and an expert at playing marbles—through his determined and constant labor; also the success which attended him financially through the same means. Advising parents to teach their boys to be generous and to have them contribute of their means towards the building up of the work of God. He exhorted all the Latter-day Saints not to become involved in debt.

After sustaining the general and local officers of the Improvement associations, the afternoon session was interspersed with songs, a guitar selection and the reading of the Young Ladies' Stake manuscript paper, all of which were highly appreciated.

Elder Kimball then spoke very forcibly upon the necessity of keeping ourselves clear and unspotted from the sin of the world. He referred to the enormity of the sin of adultery—that it was next to the shedding of the blood of innocence. He appealed forcibly to the young people to preserve their virtue and prize it above all things.

Elder H. J. Grant followed in the same strain; also spoke of the individuality of the work and the necessity of performing the little every day duties as well as the larger ones. Spoke against wielding unrighteous dominion by those holding the Priesthood, and bore testimony that the leaders of the Church did not bear such dominion; that they exercised their power in righteousness through reason and persuasion. He spoke at length and read many quotations sustaining the doctrine that faith without works is dead. He denounced card parties and masquerades as unfit for Latter-day Saints to have anything to do with, as they will inevitably lead to worse. He bore a strong testimony concerning the truth of the work of God.

Conference was then adjourned by the congregation singing "The time is far spent," and benediction was offered by Elder James Hacking.

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NEWS NOTES.

Phillip Flood, a sheepherder, accidentally shot himself Friday, near Rawlins, Wyoming, and died shortly afterwards.

A Montana Union railway train at

Warm Springs, Montana, on Friday, ran over William Riley, a miner, killing him.

Glenwood Springs, Colo., Avalanche: Two Elders from Utah were here on May 25, and spoke in the evening at Odd Fellows' ball.

Alfred Freel and Mrs. Josie Kenner, convicted of murdering the woman's husband at Mountain Home, Idaho, were sentenced on Friday to imprisonment for life.

John Hoover, a misbegotten sheepherder on John Barringer's ranch, Montana, was found dead about two miles from the ranch with two bullet holes through his body, on Wednesday. His dog lay by his side. Both were killed by Indians. The Indians are making preparations for trouble, and the settlers are growing uneasy.

Elmer Rasmussen, aged 4 years, was kicked by a horse while playing in a vacant lot at San Francisco on Wednesday evening and sustained injuries from which he may not recover. The little fellow ran into the lot, and picking up a stick struck the horse several times, and the animal kicked him in the forehead, fracturing his skull.

By reason of a blunder on the part of Sergeant of Police Gleason, Inez Forrest, an eighteen-year-old girl, spent several hours Wednesday in the city prison at San Francisco, charged with having sold liquor without a license. The policeman got the wrong person, and even when told of it by responsible parties insisted on holding her in custody.

E. G. Sedgworth, a well known citizen of Sonoma county, Cal., died Wednesday from the effects of a fall sustained at Sebastopol, Cal., Tuesday. He was at work shingling the new church there when the scaffold broke, throwing him nearly forty feet. When picked up it was found that he was partly paralyzed and injured internally. He was 42 years old.

The remains of a man were found near Shady Run, Cal., Sunday, and the coroner from Auburn held an inquest Tuesday, but could not learn the man's identity. A revolver was found near the remains, with two chambers loaded. There was a bullet wound in the forehead. The man was apparently about 30 years old and well dressed. There were no papers on the body. In the cuffs were gold sleeve buttons marked "E." Two half dollars were found in the pockets. The body was half a mile from the railroad.

A Colorado law provides that any who shall sell, give or furnish any tobacco, or article made in whole or in part of tobacco, to any child under 16 years of age, without the written order of the father or guardian of such child, shall be fined in a sum not less than \$5 nor more than \$100, or be imprisoned in the county jail not more than three months. The state school officers are active in seeing that the law is enforced.

A man named Santine Navoni at the Gold Bank mine in Forbestown, Cal., was seriously, if not fatally, wounded by the explosion of a blast on Tuesday. He and another miner had placed four blasts in a row and

touching the fuse of the first one. This "fizzed," as the miners express it, or the fuse burned out without exploding the powder. Navoni then put another piece of fuse in the powder while it was yet heated from the burning out of the first fuse. An explosion followed and Navoni was struck by the flying rocks and badly cut on the right temple, the skull being laid bare, both eyeballs were blown out on his cheeks and a serious gash was cut by the rocks in the shoulder.

Health Officer Dunn, of Oakland, Cal., has had his attention drawn to the widespread sickness caused by the consumption of strawberries raised by Portuguese gardeners at Oakland who have been in the habit of applying arsenic to their plants. Some days ago the sickness was prevalent, but seemed to decrease, now only to assert itself again and in much worse form. The health officer warns all the gardeners to stop using any solution containing a trace of poison for the purpose of killing bugs. Several people who ate berries secured from the markets have been violently ill.

Pocatello, Idaho, Tribune: Little Ellen Reeves, the eight-year-old daughter of Mayor and Mrs. W. T. Reeves, met with a terrible accident Monday afternoon and is still in a very serious condition. The gate had been tied to keep the baby from going out, and Ellen, in her effort to untie the knot, decided to climb over. When standing on top of the gate, she fell, striking the pit of her stomach squarely upon one of the sharp pickets, and causing a frightful wound. A physician was at once summoned and it took eight stitches to close the wound. The little girl is reported resting easier and the physicians now feel confident of her recovery.

It is now practically settled that the colonization project of the Salvation Army in California will be given a trial and that a number of destitute families will have an opportunity of paying for a home. Ex-Mayor Eliert, W. M. Bunker and Major Winchell of San Francisco visited Claus Spreckels Wednesday, with whom they had been conferring regarding the establishing of a colony on the land in the vicinity of the millionaire's beet sugar plant in the Salinas valley. The land would be rented to the colonists for a year at a nominal rent and at the expiration of that time would be sold for the same price paid by Spreckels. Beet raising would be the industry of the colonists, Spreckels agreeing to pay \$4 a ton for all the beets raised. This, said ex-Mayor Eliert, should net the grower at least \$3 a ton. A tract of 600 acres was offered by Spreckels and was virtually accepted.

Last Friday afternoon Zeda Lovell, a sixteen-year-old girl residing in San Francisco, laid in wait for Albert Schulze as he left his work and gave him a good beating with a knotted strap. Now she and her sister, Mrs. Annie Ebert, who was an abettor in the assault, are in the city prison with charges of battery against them. According to the story told by Miss Lovell in justification of the drubbing she gave young Schulze, who is but two years her senior, she had until a month ago lived with Schulze's family. She left