

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

Payson Globe: Estella Stewart is reported dangerously ill. She was to have been married a week ago last night, we understand, to John Donnell, but the prospective groom never showed up, nor has he since been heard of.

A branch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints was organized in Denver, Colorado, on January 3rd. The headquarters of the Colorado mission are located in Denver, and the address is John W. Taylor, 879 Cornor South Corona and Kentucky streets. The meeting house is at 1846 California street.

While coupling the caboose to coal cars Monday, Brakeman Baxter of the Castle Gate local freight, had the fingers of his right hand crushed, according to a Tribune special from P. V. Junction. He was taken to Castle Gate for medical aid. It is thought he will lose his first finger.

[Millennial Star, Jan. 7, 1896.]

Arrival—Elder Herbert L. James of Salt Lake City arrived in Liverpool on December 30, 1896, per American line steamer Waesland.

Release—John Reddington, who has been laboring as a traveling Elder in the London conference, has been honorably released to return home January 14, 1897.

Three runaways were reported at the police station Tuesday. Not stampedes of fractious horses, as the term "runaway" generally implies, but disappearances from home of three adventurous youths ranging from 11 to 16 years of age. Where the boys are their parents are at a loss to know, although they have used every endeavor to locate them during the day.

Sister Jane B. Cornwall, aged ninety-five years, five months and seven days, passed peacefully away Friday at her home in the Sugar House ward, surrounded by her daughters and several grandchildren. The deceased was an old resident here and a faithful member of the Church. Here was a life well spent and she now goes to the great beyond after filling the measure of her creation here upon the earth.

The jury in the Morris bribery case failed to agree upon a verdict and were discharged on Wednesday by Judge Rolapp.

The jury stood five for conviction and three for acquittal. The names of the five for conviction are J. J. Stewart, A. B. Jones, John F. Hardie, J. R. Nichols and George Taylor, those favoring acquittal being William Snowell, H. F. Sampson and Thomas McClelland.

Edward Reed of 164 Finchurch street, E. C., London, England, writes as follows to the NEWS, under date of Jan. 13, 1897:

Dear Sir:—Can you kindly give me any information respecting William Scott of Oxydon, who left London for Salt Lake City some twelve years ago, he at the time belonging to the Mormons. That is all I know concerning

him. A mother and sister anxiously inquire.

The quarterly conference at Provo Saturday and Sunday was favored by the attendance of an unusually large number of the leading Church authorities. President Cannon and Elders George Teasdale, F. M. Lyman, John Henry Smith and Heber J. Grant were among the speakers and gave valuable instructions which were highly appreciated and enjoyed by the Saints. Sunday forenoon the children of all the Sunday schools of the city were present and received much interesting and valuable counsel.

In the evening Elder Lyman spoke in the Fourth ward, Elder John Henry Smith in the Third ward, Elder Heber J. Grant in the Second ward and Elder George Teasdale in the First ward.

The attorney general sent the following opinion to James A. Melville, County Attorney of Millard county:

Dear Sir—Answering your favor of January 16th, in which you say that mortgages to the amount of \$119,000.00 were assessed in your county for the year 1896, I take it from what you say that the taxes thereon have not been collected, for the reason stated in your communication. You also say that the State as your county charged with the amount of taxes due upon those mortgages, and ask to be advised what course should be pursued in order to get credit from the State for that amount of such taxes.

Replying thereto, I beg to say that the legislative body is the only body possessing the power to authorize the State auditor to credit the amount of taxes to your county.

I have the honor to be,
A. C. BISHOP,
Attorney General.

The following statistical report of the Utah Stake was read at the quarterly Stake conference on Sunday, shows the number of the various quorums and other items of interest. The report is not quite complete as the Pleasant Valley ward and the Highland ward failed to report, and to some extent the report shows the condition of those two wards a year ago: Patriarchs, 4; Sevens, 747; High Priest, 526; Elders, 1,675; Priests, 265; Teachers, 218; Deacons, 1,260; members, 11,932. Total officers and members, 16,627. Children under 8 years, 6,774. Total of souls, 23,401; families, 4,245; marriages, 92; births, males, 350; births, females, 240; children blessed, 868; members received, 359; members removed, 222; new members baptized, 46; children baptized, 684; excommunicated, 11; deaths, males, 113; deaths females, 110; individuals drawing support, 520.

All that was mortal of a most estimable woman was laid to rest Friday in the burial of Mrs. P. A. Sorenson, wife of the proprietor of the I X L second hand store. The funeral services were held at 11 o'clock this morning, from the chapel of Undertaker Joseph William Taylor on West Temple street, and were attended by a large number of sorrowful and grief-stricken relatives and friends. Mrs. Sorenson's death came as a great

shock to those acquainted with her, when on Wednesday evening she passed away, leaving behind to mourn her loss a loving husband and several young children. She was a woman beloved by all who knew her, and possessed a disposition such as would tend to make friends wherever her lot was cast. The bereaved husband and children have the sympathy of a large circle of acquaintances in their hour of extreme sorrow.

Friday, January 8th, at the Salt Lake Temple, Brother Joseph Bull Sen. and Miss Zina V. Hyde were united in the holy bonds of matrimony, the ceremony being performed by President Lorenzo Snow. Brother Bull is well and favorably known throughout the State, and was for many years connected with the Deseret News printing and publishing establishment and is now an attaché of the Temple. The bride is an accomplished lady, daughter of the late Apostle Orson Hyde and his wife Marinda. We join with a host of friends of the estimable couple in wishing them the happiness of which they are so well deserving.

By an error in the notice as published January 16, the names were not given correctly.

NEPHI, Jan. 22, 1897.

On January 20th the floating gang of men of the Union Pacific railroad found a tramp about three miles north of Nephtling in an old dugout, with both feet badly frozen. He had been there, so he said, from sixteen to eighteen days without food or water. He gave his name as Chris Hansen. Mr. Samuel Tolley took him to his house about a mile away and fed and cared for him. Sheriff P. P. Christensen was notified and went and brought him to town.

Dr. E. E. Wilcox examined the poor fellow and found it necessary to send him to the Holy Cross hospital, Salt Lake City. [Accordingly Judge F. W. Chappell accompanied Hansen to the city, and was there met by Dr. Wilcox, who took him to the aforesaid hospital.]

The poor fellow was very weak when found.

L. P. BAILEY.

Chris Hansen, the tramp who was found by a gang of railroad men in a dugout near Nephtling last week with both feet frozen, and who was brought to this city and taken to the hospital, is under the care of Dr. Richards. It is thought that several toes on each foot will have to be amputated, as they are badly frozen.

Out of respect for his family and a desire to give him a chance to reform, is what saved W. A. T. Smith ought from going to the penitentiary.

Smith has, for a year past, been engaged as clerk in Druehl & Franken's drug store, corner East Temple and Third South streets. He came to the firm well recommended and is known to be highly connected. He is but 29 years old, and a native of Canada, where his parents, it is believed, now reside.

For some time past Mr. Franken, the junior member of the firm, has been suspicious of Smith's actions, although he was guilty of no bad habits, so far as known, and kept the best of company.

Acting upon his suspicious Mr.