Dawson was demolished and several children fatally hurt. It is feared that further east still greater damage was done, but particulars are unobtainable.

Mr. Gould's Will

New York, Dec. 6.—Interest in Mr. Gould's will will be greatly stimulated by the announcement which was authoritatively made today that the document would not be filed for probate for some weeks—possibly not for a month. One theory advanced to explain the delay in making Mr. Gould's will public is that there are certain minor, yet important, Gould interests which can be adjusted more advantageously before the terms of the will are made public.

DAVENPORT'S PETITION.

No Notice Taken of It by the House Committee.

Washington, Dec. 6.—The meeting of the House Committee investigating the administration of the federal election law of New York City, decided to take no notice whatever of the petition submitted to the House yesterday in behalf of John I. Davenport, in which the latter asks for a hearing at the bar of the House.

Paris Notes.

Paris, Dec. 6.—The Panama committee will support in the chamber of deputies Boisser in his bill.

A council will be held at the palace of Elysee this evening, at which a statement to be made to the chamber of deputies will be completed.

General Rosecrans.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 6.—The condition of General Wm. S. Rosecrans, register of the treasury, is such as to cause his friends serious apprehension. Nervous prostration, heart weakness and a stroke of paralysis of the arm are destroying his vitality. He, however, was a little better this morning.

Notice to Bondholders.

New York, Dec. 6.—Drexel, Morgan & Co. issued a circular advising the bondholders of the Detroit, Bay City and Alpena railroad, in view of the probable default on the interest of 1893, to take steps to protect themselves, either by sale, or purchase and reorganization, should the default occur.

GRAND COUNTY LETTER.

One Farmer's Busy and Successful Season.—A Plague that Approacheth.

Editor Deseret News:

Moab, Grand Co., Utah, Dec. 5, 1892.—I thought I would let you know what I have produced this year and what I have done, and then if you can tell what my hobby is I will be much obliged. In the first place I will give you the amount of land I cultivate: 77 acres. The amount of fruit shipped by railroads is as follows: 1349 crates of peaches, average $1 per crate; 120 bushel-crates of apples, $2.50 per crate; 20 crates of pears, $3 per crate; 26 crates of plums, $1 per crate; 25 crates of apricots, at 75c per crate; 30 crates of grapes, at 75c per crate.

Besides this, I hauled three wagon loads to Rico, Colo., made 1000 gallons of wine, and have 300 bushels of apples on hand; I have raised 75 bushels of barley, 128 of wheat, 195 of oats, 40 of corn, 18 of peas, 200 of potatoes and 6400 pounds of lucern seed. I have 75 tons of hay, have a threshing machine which I run, have spent two weeks working on a mill dam, have made one trip to Leadville, Colorado, three to Aspen, Colorado, and called at Glenwood Springs; have been four times to Grand Junction, Colorado, and made three trips to Rico, Colorado. I have taken out 5000 pounds of honey; have a few head of horses and cattle, and have branded thirteen calves and eight colts.

Now, Mr. Editor, your comment on my first letter would convey the idea that I thought of nothing but fruit. I presume I think of more things in a day than the average of men. Still I am proud to say I understand how to produce large and fine fruits, and as soon as I have time will tell your readers something about it.

We have had a terrible plague visiting our place lately and most of our people partook of it. It came in a spring wagon with two horses hitched to it and two men in it. The latter called at the house when the men were away. They were very genteel, would walk in and ask the privilege of showing some goods, and would take in the situation. They would throw out a few dress patterns, a shawl, a table cover, and would then say: "Now, madam, there is $17.00 worth. The prices are fixed by the receiver, and the goods must be sold. Now, I will throw in this and this"—whereupon they would throw in a few towels and handkerchiefs. All the time they were making the sale they would find out the circumstances of the man of the house and the neighbors. If everything was favorable they would call again when the men were at home. They would open a package, would commence covering the place with gents' goods and a few of ladies' wear. Then they began: "Now, mister, these goods are in the receiver's hands and have to be sold and the price is fixed. I can not change the price, but you can have these goods for $90 and I will throw in this and this"—exactly as before, and if the parties hesitated they would empty their valise and even make several trips to their wagon for more goods. Then they would throw down a $5 bill or coin, in some cases they would even throw down $20. They do not want a cent in cash, but will take the buyers' note from a month to a year without interest, and they invariably made a sale where they could get into the house. A neighbor of mine was sharp enough not to let them within his door; they told him they were going to sell him a bundle before they left; but the third time they called he told them if they came again they would have him to whip. They took him at his word and stayed away. At Bluff's good Danish brother told them he was busy and they could not sell him a thing—he had heard of them. "Well," said they, "there is no harm in just going in the house to look at the goods." Before they left they sold him two big bundles. As a rule, they come down in their prices to $50, and how much of this represents clear gain to them you can judge for yourself.

This plague is traveling west intending to take in Utah. Our experience may suffice to put the people on their guard.

O. W. Warner.

JUNCTION CITY NEWS.

Another Damage Suit Against the U. P. Railroad Co.

WORK AT THE GAS WELL.

Judge Leonard's Call upon "Honest Voters."—Lost in the Desert.

[Ogden Standard.]

A masquerade ball will be given in the Ensign hall on Friday evening, under the auspices of the Democratic Drum corps.

Work on the Royal Alfred, one of the promising claims of the Ogden Canyon Mining & Milling company, will be resumed today.

The school election takes place today. Judge Leonard has issued an address calling upon every honest voter to stand by his agreement to shun politics in school matters.

Work at the gas wells is progressing with great rapidity and the derricks will soon be in place and ready for the machinery which is expected to arrive almost any day.

Henry Williams and Lou Turner "Sailor Kid," have signed an agreement for a fifty round contest to be fought Dec. 19. The place of fighting is not decided on.

Judge Miner has made no appointment to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Clerk McClure and may not do so for some time yet. It is almost assured that Kenner S. Boreman will be appointed. Nearly every member of the bar has signed the petition in his favor.

In about two weeks Hong Sling and Chan Pac Kwai, who left Ogden last week for San Francisco to attend some business matters in connection with the Chinese exhibit at the World's Fair, will sail for China for the purpose of superintending the shipment of materials and workmen necessary for the construction of the Chinese building.

Dan Maguire, chief of the mineral and archeological departments of the exhibit Utah will make at the World's Fair, returned home yesterday morning from Southern Utah, where he has been for two weeks collecting specimens. His trip was a most successful and interesting one, and an immense amount of beautiful specimens of mineral and archeological relics were gathered. Mr. Maguire will return to the extremely productive field this afternoon and be gone several days.

Deputy United States Marshal Gill will this morning bring J. P. Jones up from the penitentiary to plead before Judge Miner to an indictment charging him with adultery with Mrs. Minnie Trabing, formerly of this city, but now living in Portland, Oregon. When being taken to Salt Lake on Monday night Jones broke down and sobbed like a child. He claims that his wife, who made the complaint that placed him behind the bars, was influenced by a certain real estate man against whom Mrs. Trabing obtained a judgment in the district court on a real estate transaction.

Last Friday evening Messrs. R. W. Emmett and A. T. Watson, Superintendent Bancroft's chief clerk, went out on a shooting trip to Oasis, about 200 miles south of Ogden. On Sunday morning the hunters got lost in the desert, and from that time until 3 o'clock yesterday morning they had been wandering about through the snow. The horses were turned loose to find their way as best they could, while Messrs. Emmett and Watson, with the teamster whom they had employed, walked the desert over in an attempt to reach civilization. They reached Ogden on the D. & R. G. at 11 o'clock yesterday.

Within the next few days one of the biggest consignments of whalebone in its natural state ever sent across the continent will arrive in Ogden from San Francisco and be transferred to either the Union Pacific or the Rio Grande Western, or probably part to both roads, for New York, Paris and Bremen. The shipment is valued at $1,000,000 and is the property of the Pacific Steam Whaling company and came off the whaling barks, Beluga, Mary D. Hume, Agnour and America, which arrived in San Francisco last week. The bone is the teeth of the whale, and a fair-sized front molar is worth about $50. In every whale's jaw there are 473 teeth, and one good sized [illegible] is worth a deal of money.

The hearing in the damage suit of Oliver C. Myers vs. the Union Pacific occupied nearly the entire day in the Fourth District court yesterday, and will be resumed this morning. Myers claims $20,800 damages for a broken thigh, sustained near King Hill, Idaho, on the Oregon Short Line in December, 1889, by falling from the top of a car. At the time mentioned he was in the employ of the Union Pacific as freight brakeman, running west from Pocatello. When going up a heavy grade near King Hill the train on which the plaintiff was working broke in two, so he claims, and in order to save the rear section Myers, acting under instructions, climbed to the top of the car, without a lantern, and tried to set the brakes. Suddenly one of the chains which tightens the brakes broke and the brakeman was thrown to the ground, sustaining serious injuries.

PROVO LETTER.

County Court Orders.—Marshal's Sale.—Improvements.—School Matters.

Special correspondence of the News.

Provo, Dec. 7.—In county court yesterday, in response to a petition from citizens of Mapleton precinct, Selectmen Holdaway and Jones recommended the establishment of a new county road in said precinct, as soon as the petitioners should file with the county clerk a grant of the right of way of such a road, signed by the respective land owners concerned. The report was adopted.

Judge Jones and Selectman Holdaway reported that material was on the ground, and Andrews Brothers would soon commence work on the new iron bridge which is to span Provo river, on the county road northwest of the city. The five hundred dollars, the committee further reported, which had been appropriated, had been spent in paying freight and in changing the course of the river. Another $500 was asked for. The report was accepted and the requested appropriation made.

Deputy Marshal B. Bachman yesterday sold at auction to V. L. Halliday, the Central building for $8,000. It is understood that Mr. Halliday purchased the building for other parties. The building was sold to satisfy a judgment in favor of the builders, amounting to $9,254.81. The structure is a solid stone and brick one; but is uncompleted. It was erected by the Central Building company on property belonging to the Brigham Young Academy. The company had expected to bond the building to raise money for its completion, but owing to a cloud in the title, were unable to do so. Had the building been completed as contemplated, the First district court would have been located there. It is uncertain as to what will now be done with the building.

Alfred J. Dory and Sarah E. Marsh, of Alpine, were on Monday evening made man and wife by Bishop John E. Booth.

David E. Robertson and Rhoda E. Snell of Spanish Fork, have taken out a license signifying their intent to marry.

The following apportionment of county school funds has been made by Superintendent E. A. Wilson: Provo, $1800; Springville, $687; Spanish Fork, $1057; Lake Shore, $208; Benjamin, $193; Salem, $178; Payson, $849; Spring Lake, $61; Santaquin, $303; Goshen, $179; Fairfield, $58; Cedar Fort, $9; Lehi, $872; Alpine, $168; American Fork, $723; Pleasant Grove, $674; Vineyard, $83; Lake View, $2; Provo Bench, $159; Thistle, $67; Clinton, $73; Tucker, $17; P. V. Junction, $2; Mapleton, $159; the total, $8,909.

Harry Bushard arrived home from his German mission last night, looking well and feeling well. He has been gone about a year. He returned sooner than he had expected on account of the illness of his wife.

The fall of snow for this season of the year has been very heavy in Utah valley. There is now about a foot of snow on the ground, and it still falls.

The board of education held a session last night. Trustee Hardy reported that the Mountain school was in a very bad condition. The adobies were falling out of the wall, he said; the coal shed was broken and coal was disappearing; and to cap the climax, the school house was used in the evening by the big boys and girls for sparking. The committee on sites and buildings was instructed to look into the matter.

There is no unusual commotion on account of the school election. The non-partisan nominations of Friday evening will probably all be ratified.

Index to Tax List.

For the convenience of those whose names may be on the county delinquent tax list, published in this issue, or who may wish to refer to the list for any purpose, and for the reason that the order in which the copy was received and put in type prevented the consecutive arrangement of the wards and school districts, the following is furnished as an index to that portion of the paper:

Page 3—Districts—21, West Jordan; 22, Draper; 23, Union; 24, 25, 26, South Cottonwood; 27, West Jordan; 28, Big Cottonwood; 29, Sugar House; 29, 30, Salt Lake City—First Ward.

Page 5—First Ward (continued); Second ward, Third ward, Fourth ward, Fifth ward, Sixth ward, Seventh ward, Eighth ward, Ninth ward, Sixteenth ward, Seventeenth ward, Eighteenth ward.

Page 6—Eighteenth ward, (continued); Nineteenth ward, Tenth ward, Eleventh ward, Twelfth ward, Twentieth ward, Twenty-first ward, School Districts, 31, 32 Brighton, 33.

Page 7—School Districts, 33 (continued) 34; 35; 35; 66, Sugar House Thirteenth ward, Twenty-second ward, Silverton—Big Cottonwood canyon, Little Cottonwood—Alta City.

Page 8—School Districts, 36, 37, Big Cottonwood, 38, North Jordan; 39, Mill Creek; 35, Mountain Dell; 42, Butler and part of Granite; 43, Granger; 44, Bluff Dale; 45, Pleasant Green; 46, North Jordan; Fourteenth ward; Fifteenth ward; Fortieth District, Farmers ward; 42, Granite; 48, Bingham; 41, Riverton; 40, Granger; 41, Sandy; 47, Pleasant Green; City District; District 50.

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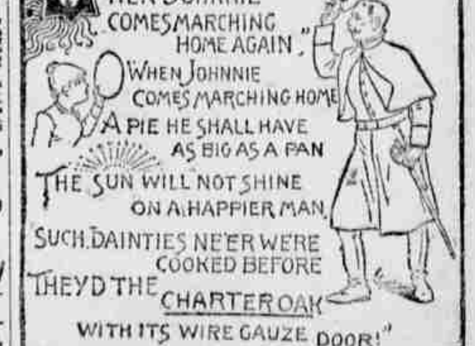

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