

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

Any person knowing anything of Ansel White (whether living or dead), who resided in Nauvoo and is supposed to have come to Utah at an early day, will confer a favor by forwarding such information to the office of Joseph E. Taylor, this city.

Among the many bequests in the will of the late Fred H. Auerbach is one of \$1,000 to be distributed in the most equitable manner to the poor of Salt Lake City, and in accordance with the provisions of the bequest the following gentlemen will serve as a committee to act with the executors of Mr. Auerbach's estate in the distribution of the bequest: Bishop Wm. B. Preston, Father D. Kisely, Jonathan C. Royle, Emanuel Kahn, Archibald S. Geddes.

PROVO, Nov. 30. — A sensational suit was filed here today by Miss Rena Snell, of Spanish Fork, against Parley O. Smoot of this city for twenty thousand dollars damages on a charge of seduction under a promise of marriage.

An order was issued for Smoot's arrest and a bond for his release fixed at five thousand dollars, to be approved by the county clerk. Meyle and Culligan of Salt Lake are attorneys for the plaintiff.

Dr. A. S. Bower, one of Salt Lake's leading physicians, returned Sunday from a trip to Mexico. During his absence from home he enjoyed himself very much and while within the borders of the Mexican republic attended, as a representative of Utah, the Pan American Medical congress held at the capital. Five hundred medical men were present and were given a glowing reception by President Diaz and officials of less note. The congress was, says Dr. Bower, a very successful affair in all respects. The next session will be held in 1899 at the city of Caracas, Venezuela.

At a meeting held in the Fourteenth ward assembly hall Monday, George M. Cannon was chosen president of the First Quorum of Elders. John W. Snell was made first and Edward O. Partridge second counselor. Thomas E. Jacobson was chosen secretary and John N. Matheson recommended for ordination as a High Priest. The First Quorum of Elders comprises the Fourteenth and Seventeenth wards. The reorganization came as the result of the death of Elder Edward W. Davis, who held the office to which Elder Cannon has been promoted.

The funeral services over the remains of J. B. Farlow, were held at the family residence Wednesday beginning at 1 o'clock. The Rev. Frank C. Lockwood of the Methodist church was the minister in charge. The services were brief and impressive and the floral tributes were conspicuous for their beauty and profusion. A quartette consisting of Miss Beesle Edmunds, Mrs. George D. Pyper, H. G. Whitney and John D. Spencer rendered touching and artistic music. A large concourse of friends followed the remains to the grave. The funeral was under the

auspices of the Masonic fraternity of which the deceased was a member.

In the criminal court, at 9:30 Monday. Judge Hiles heard arguments of counsel in support of the issuance of a certificate of probable cause, and admit the prisoner to bail, in the case of Wm. McCoy, convicted of performing a criminal operation upon Evelyn Bonnett. His honor declared that were he to grant the motion of the defense he would act contrary to the belief he had formed during the progress of the trial. "Were I one of the jurymen upon this trial I should have voted for the verdict rendered; therefore in allowing the motion made I should be acting contrary to my own convictions. The judgment of the court will stand and the sheriff is ordered to execute it at once."

McCoy was sentenced to serve eight years in jail.

Early Tuesday Sheriff Hardy received a message from Superintendent Rideout of the Draper Co-op. saying that some time since 5 o'clock this morning that store was broken into by burglars and a quantity of goods stolen therefrom, among which were three ladies' black plush capes, several gold filled watch chains, several suits of underwear and some overalls and a number of 5 cent and 50 cent aluminum trade pieces. Officers Hadley and Roberts were immediately dispatched to the scene of operations of the thieves and commenced investigations looking to the apprehension of the burglars. Persons living in the vicinity of Draper will undoubtedly be on the look-out for the articles named above, as undoubtedly the thieves will peddle them in the settlements in that region.

The principal bath building at Beck's Hot Springs was destroyed by fire Thursday. A defective flue was the cause. The flames broke forth in the west room near the northwest corner of the big open air plunge and spread rapidly.

A stiff breeze blew from the north and that fact together with the vigilance of the men on the ground prevented the destruction of the hotel. The bath house was entirely of frame and yielded readily to the flames that consumed it in less than an hour. The loss, which will probably reach \$10,000, is partially covered by insurance, though inquiry at Mr. Beck's office today failed to elicit to what extent. The insurance adjusters visited the springs this afternoon on a special train, and a report will doubtless be forthcoming this evening. It is not known yet whether the structure will be rebuilt soon. It is certain, however, that a new building, probably a much larger and more expensive one, will be reared where the old one stood.

Monday evening Deputy Sheriff Steele took William Lewis to Provo. About four years ago at Sandy Lewis shot and killed a barber and upon trial he was found to have been insane at the time the deed was committed. Last week Mr. Lewis was brought to

this city and again examined as to his sanity, this time in Judge Street's court, and it was found that he was not in a sufficiently improved mental condition to be released from the asylum, hence, he was returned yesterday.

Officer Steele says that at present there are seven wards in use this year as against five last year, and Stewart Pyne of the institution says that as a result of an improved heating apparatus a saving of \$549.99 has been made this year in the fuel used, the total amount last year being \$1,215.72 and this year it was \$665.73. Dr. Hardy, superintendent, says the institution is in first-class condition in every respect.

The last fiscal year of the institution ended yesterday and Lewis was the last inmate taken into the asylum in the year.

The funeral services over the remains of the late Sister Harriet D. Brinton, whose death was chronicled in Friday evening's News, took place Sunday, November 22, 1898, in the Big Cottonwood ward house. The services were conducted by Bishop Brinton's counselor, Elder Santa Anna Oasto. After the opening services the following brethren addressed the meeting: Bishop Samuel Woolley, Elders Charles A. Harper, Amos Neff, Wm. W. Ritter, Wm. Taylor, President Angus M. Cannon and Elder Brigham Young. The speakers had been acquainted with the deceased for many years. Some had known her sixty years; and all bore testimony to her integrity to the Gospel of Christ and the many sterling qualities she possessed as a true wife and mother; also the heroic characteristics she displayed during the many trials and persecutions of the Saints in early days and after the settlement of these valleys; also with a large family, and her husband away nearly half the time on missions and laboring for the establishment of truth. The speakers also uttered encouraging and edifying words to the family and friends who had gathered to pay their last respects to their departed sister.

A large cortege followed her remains to the family cemetery located on the Brinton homestead, where they were buried beside those of her husband. Elder Joseph E. Taylor, of the presidency of the Stake, offered the dedicatory prayer at the grave. Sister Brinton leaves five sons, three daughters and about forty grandchildren.

An accident occurred at the corner of Third South and Third West streets on Tuesday, which might have been more disastrous in its results than was the case.

About 10 o'clock, George Canning, a stock raiser, who resides at 456 west Third South street, left his home in a wagon, for the purpose of getting supplies to take out to his sheep camp. He drove east from his home at a fair gait and when just about to cross the Union Pacific track, he noticed to his horror that a switch engine was upon him. No sooner had his horses stepped upon the track than a car ahead of the engine struck one of them, breaking one of its legs and throwing the entire outfit, driver included to one side of the track, where they remained free from further injury while the cars and engine passed on.

The wounded animal was so maimed