DESERET EVENING NEWS

TODAY'S WEATHER REPORT.

Weather report showing observations at 8 a. m. today:

Salt Lake City—Barometer, 24.36; temperature, 30; minimum, 17; wind, southeast; light; rain, trace; cloudy.

Forecast for Utah for 36 hours ending 8 p. m. tomorrow:

Fair tonight and Wednesday. Stationary temperature.

L. H. MURDOCH, Section Director. Weather Bureau.

NOTICE.

Subscribers to the NEWS are requested to note that the price for the daily is now $8.00 per year or by the month 75 cents. Saturday edition $2.00 per year. Semi-Weekly $2.00 per year.

To-day's Metals.

SILVER, Bar, 59 5-8
LEAD, $4.20
CASTING COPPER, 16 1-2 cents a lb.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

Mrs. Frank J. Cannon came in from Washington last evening and is now with the Senator at the Knutsford.

It is one year ago tomorrow since the free public library was founded in this city. The present membership numbers 1,300, and the number of volumes in the library are 11,554.

A party composed of Mayor Clark, the Misses Clark and Chief and Mrs. Speirs, visited the Chinese quarters last evening, and with many other people witnessed the Mongolians celebrating their New Years.

The committee working on a sugar factory for Sanpete and Sevier counties are laboring energetically in disseminating information among the farmers in those counties as to the means of cultivating sugar beets.

The body of the late John L. Russell, who was killed in the coal mine at Diamondville, will be taken to Provo for burial. The deceased was a Utah man, and at one time kept a store in the city. His mother lives in Salt Lake.

An alleged mysterious shooting affair took place shortly before midnight last night near the corner of Ninth South and Third West streets. A man by the name of Smith, who drives a horse with his family claimed that he saw three men standing on the Short Line track near the irrigation canal, and he heard two shots fired. Officer Smith also says he saw a man who was standing further on the track fall to the ground, drop the power house on the Rapid Transit railway, and the police were communicated with. Officer Chase responded but could find no trace of the parties seen by Smith. The officer was impressed by Mr. Smith's story, and is believes he saw what he claimed. Other parties, however, believe he was the prank of some valentine ere celebrations.

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LETTER BY LIEUT. SEAMAN

Received Here the Day News Came of His Wounding.

He Tells How the Americans at Manila are Held in Preparation for Attack.

At just about the time the news was received here of the wounding of Second Lieutenant George A. Seaman, battery D, Utah Light artillery, in the trenches at Malalon, near Manila, Mr. Joseph A. Smith to this city received a letter from Lieutenant Seaman, dated Manila, P. I., Jan. 4, 1899. The missive having arrived with the morning mail. The "News" is permitted to make some brief extracts from the letter, especially interesting at this time as showing the care and vigilance being displayed by the American commanders and men for more than a month prior to the latest general attack. Mr. Seaman says:

"The vision of home seems farther away than it did three months ago. It then looked very distinct, but as time has passed by the vision vanished—it was only a mirage.

"The past month there has been a state of unrest existing, owing to rumors that the insurgents were expecting to make war upon us. We have been well prepared for such tactics, and everything has been in readiness to move at a moment's notice. The force has not come to much yet. The Fifty-first Iowa and the Eighteenth infantry have been sent to Iloilo, and there is an unconfirmed rumor of heavy fighting there. The First California sailed last evening under sealed orders, and it is only guesswork as to their destination. Every other organization is on waiting orders.

"The health of the Utah command is reasonably good. There are very few cases of severe sickness. The health is good, and has been right along, excepting a severe cold I had for a fortnight a short time back. You know about that, as it caused you a scare.

"The M. I. A. has been laboring under the disadvantage of being without a meeting place since the order came out about the use to be made of our barracks except by special pass.

"Lieut. Seaman's reference to how a cold is contracted is quite amusing when it is known that his lungs are a little weak, but not seriously so. Lieut. Seaman is president of the M. I. A. at Malalon, and we infer from his letter that next conference he will be called upon to preside over the Manila Stake of Zion.

"The Second Utah battery is still under the disciplinary care