

## WHY BUSINESS IS LANGUISHING

Knockers Out With Their Hammers Because of Political Disappointment.

"REVENGE" THEIR SHIBBOLETH.

To Enjoy That They Are Willing to Drive Back the Prosperity That Waits at Our Very Doors.

Why is business languishing in Salt Lake?

Why does the future look dark to the ordinary business man?

Why is there discontent where confidence should surely obtain?

Why will the knockers drive prosperity away when it is waiting at our very doors?

To these questions there is and can be but one answer—political disappointment. Men who have enjoyed the highest honors their state could confer upon them, but whose course of conduct was such, officially and otherwise, that the people did not care to renew the trust, are willing now to paralyze all the avenues of trade; to say to prosperity that stands entreatingly at our threshold that it must not enter lest their plans go awry. They are waging a campaign of revenge and this they propose to carry on regardless of the cost. "What matters it," they argue, "that trade shall fall off; that hundreds of houses in the city stand empty; that rents decrease; that capital becomes uneasy and seeks investment elsewhere; if we can only smash things and get even. Of course, if we could have been continued in power we wouldn't have made a fuss about it, no matter what had been done to keep us there. But it wasn't done, so we are going to raise the merry wind and do all the damage we can to the state in order to punish our enemies, being careful in the meantime to say we are waging a reform for the good of all."

During the week many local business men have talked the situation over and have concluded that the above sentiments very conservatively state the prevailing situation. They say that they are getting mighty sick over seeing paraded in the public prints every morning the personal fights and grievances of political malcontents and revenge workers who are willing to have the whole state go to the demerition bow way if only they can run things. They say it is high time for a halt to be called. The material interests of the city and state have long enough been sacrificed to this warfare.

The men who have probably given the most thought to the matter add further that the conditions complained of are in no wise different than those that have obtained for years; that in fact they are less pronounced than ever; that they are solving themselves and would soon be things of the past except for the meddling and villifiers of Utah's manhood and womanhood. The smallest of delinquencies are seized upon with malicious avidity and magnified into unjustifiable proportions, and where there is not even a delinquency

to hang a slander upon, hired libelers are put to work to create and circulate fiction as fact.

All these are patent truths. All these are hurting Salt Lake beyond estimate. Great interests are centered here. More would come here. The natural opportunities are almost innumerable. Few cities have the advantages of this city; yet Salt Lake does not grow as her sister cities of the west. And all for the reasons given.

Within the past few days announcement has been made that a mighty \$15,000,000 contract for a new railroad will begin within the next few weeks. That it will run from this city to San Francisco and furnish another avenue of trade and commerce. But what do the maligners of the city have to say about it? Nothing. They are so far engrossed in hurling personal abuse and misrepresentation that they have lost sight of so small a thing as building a big railroad. To them that is a mere bagatelle. What they propose to continue doing is to SMASH THINGS. If prosperity comes in spite of their efforts, all right. But it must be secondary. REVENGE MUST BE FIRST. And yet they call themselves PATRIOTS AND REFORMERS.

### "DISBAND THEM"

That is What Goodwin Says of "Utah Society of Knockers."

Judge Goodwin, former editor of the Tribune, today says in his weekly: "What ails this town? There is a certain society that ails this town. The man who wrote the editorial under the above caption and allowed it to be published in a powerful journal, and distributed throughout the country belongs to that society. The men who slander about the streets from pillar to post asking that question of everyone they meet belong to that society. The men who make a business of besmirching and defaming this city every day of their lives and who are members of that society, which for want of a better name may be known as the Royal Society of Utah Knockers."

Most communities have their own troubles. Usually they are of a political nature, and no sooner is one question settled than another is ready for debate. Perhaps we have more troubles here than the people of other places, and we may have a long fight to make Utah what we want it to be, but in that fight it isn't going to help things in the slightest to allow your men to go so far that you state falsely that hundreds are moving away, that it is unsafe to invest here, and the rest of the rot that makes corner conversation for a class who have been pessimistic about the future of the state, no matter what the conditions. It is unjust and unfair to the thousands of men who intend to live their lives here, to spread such falsehoods for the reputation of them has the same effect on the timid that the chicken pox had on the Yonovsky twins. It becomes "a taking sickness, something worse."

"The one thing that lot of people often forget. The old flag is over head all the time, and there isn't one little corner in the land that does not protect. So go ahead and build your house, or your terrace. Get your 7 and 8 and 10 and 12 per cent on your investments, and your income will not decrease as the years go by. Ask any merchant of any creed how his business compares with that of a year ago, and he will tell you it has increased. This with the possible exception of the coal man, and the mortician, for the climate is such that both are seldom needed."

It may take a long time to adjust our peculiar political conditions, but while we're waiting don't decry the town. The future of the city and the state have never been brighter, and every man who has his own interest at heart as well as that of this city should constitute himself a member of a 100,000 club for 1905, and with united effort the directory a year from now will reach that mark.

If anybody tries to start something which will be of benefit to the community, help it along. Don't listen to the fellow who says that the scheme

was tried in the summer of '79 without success.

Many a thing which failed in the long ago is going some now, notably the locomotive.

Salt Lake isn't half bad, and there are thousands of places so much worse that you ought to make it your business to assist in the disbanding of the Royal Society of Utah Knockers. They themselves would thank you for it in the future, and nothing then would all this town.

### UTE INDIANS CONFER WITH INDIAN COMMISSION.

(Special to the "News.")

Washington, D. C., March 18.—Commissioner Leupp had a conference this morning with the delegation of Ute Indians who are in Washington for the purpose of clearing up many disputed questions, growing out of the opening of the Uintah reservation to homestead settlement.

The Indians, under Capt. Hall, were early at the commissioner's office and went direct to the subject which brought them to see the great father. The various chiefs made long talks to the commissioner through an interpreter. The White river Utes, who are uncompromising in their opposition to opening the reservation, said the lands were given the Ute nation for ever and to deprive them of these broad acres at this time is breaking faith on the part of the government. Commissioner Leupp in replying to the complaints, which Utes made regarding the opening of the reservation to white settlement and their acceptance of allotments, called attention to the decision of the supreme court which held that the United States owned this land embraced in the Uintah reservation and had an absolute right to dispose of it. Mr. Leupp went further than the bold proposition of the supreme court and said it was not the intention of the government to ask the Indians to withdraw without compensation; that, on the contrary, if the Indians felt the allotments they had selected could be improved upon they were at liberty to make new selections, but that capricious objections would not be tolerated. He said the great father wanted to deal squarely with the Indians, but they must not stand in the way of the progress and development of the mighty west. In the matter of opening the reservation Mr. Leupp said it was the policy of the administration to give every man, woman and child a large tract of land which they might hold for ever.

There were grunts at some of the commissioner's expositions. Sometimes the Indians looked pleased, at other times they frowned, but the way in which the commissioner met them made a favorable impression.

After the conference, the delegation, under the direction of Capt. Hall, went to the White House to see the president. The Indians were introduced by Commissioner Leupp. The president said the reservation would be opened as soon as allotments could be made, and urged the Indians to take their allotments and become part of the great scheme of civilization. Those in the party are: Red Cap, Sociaft and Appah, White River Utes; Charlie, Joe Duncan and David Coppel, Ute, and Charley Chevanax, Wichita, and Ar-rives, Uncompagres.

### Four Years for Cordova.

New Brunswick, N. J., March 18.—J. F. Cordova, the unfortunat minister who twice eloped with Julia Bowne of South River, N. J., and was sentenced to prison for a year and a half for kidnapping his wife and three children and assaulting his wife, today was sentenced to serve four years in prison. A soon as sentence was pronounced the Indians counsel filed an application for a writ of error, which will act as a stay until a decision has been given in the supreme court in either June or November.

### Twenty-five Years Sentence.

Cleveland, March 18.—John W. Agar, who killed his brother and dangerously wounded a policeman and defied the officers from his barbed home in Lakewood, a suburb, two months ago, was today sentenced to serve 25 years in the penitentiary.

## Spring Medicine

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## GETTING READY FOR WOOL SEASON

Already has shearing commenced in Nevada and Idaho and the local railroad agents are making preparations to send extra men into the field to secure this business. In this connection W. J. Ridd, formerly traveling passenger agent for the Rio Grande Western, who has been secured by the Santa Fe, while F. H. Worsley of that line will transfer his allegiance to the Colorado Midland under General Agent Harding.

In viewing the wool situation L. F. Downing, who incidentally knows more about wool conditions in the west than he does about cutting corners in his red auto—and he cuts them distinctly fine—this morning said:

"Early shearing has been going on for several days in Nevada, especially at Lovelock, Ryeapah, Golconda and Battle Mountain. The operations now under way embrace about two-thirds of the clip in Nevada, or 400,000 head. This is mostly all fine wool and is contracted for at from 15 to 16 cents.

Around Boise, Ida., this week they are shearing one or two bands of scrubby sheep, but in Idaho general shearing will not commence until about April 1. In southern Utah shearing will be between the 15th and the 19th of April.

Mr. Downing also affirmed that from between 50 and 60 per cent of the entire clip of "territory wool" had been contracted for, while when it came to medium or lighter wools throughout the entire west the probabilities were that from 75 per cent to 85 per cent of the clip had been disposed of while it still remained on the sheep's back.

### WRECK ON O. S. L.

Passenger Train Plunged Into Freight at Farmington Last Night.

A passenger train from the north, due in Salt Lake at 7:45 p. m., last evening ran into the rear of a freight train that was in the act of taking the switch at Farmington, and as a result the engine of the former and several cars of the latter were considerably damaged. The engineer and fireman of the passenger train jumped, as also did some in the freight's caboose, and this doubtless saved the men from perhaps serious injury. The caboose was jammed into the boxcar ahead of it and both were more or less broken up, while the pilot and couplings of the passenger engine were twisted and broken. None of the passengers were hurt, though some of them were badly shaken up, and two hours before the train could proceed to Salt Lake.

### J. H. YOUNG GEN. SUPT.

Salt Lake Named on the Colorado Springs & Cripple Creek.

That the Colorado Springs & Cripple Creek District Railway had been absorbed by the Colorado & Southern has been common gossip for some time. If any doubts existed they may be set at rest, because today the "News" received a bunch of official circulars signed by Vice President J. M. Herbert wherein the following appointments were announced on the Cripple Creek "Short Line":

C. L. Wellington, traffic manager; J. H. Young, general superintendent; J. H. McNaught, chief surgeon; A. L. Stueder, superintendent; Motive Power, and F. S. McNamara, general purchasing agent. All with headquarters at Denver, Colo., and F. C. Smith, superintendent, with headquarters at Colorado Springs, Colorado.

### AUTO LINE.

Managers and Six Chauffeurs Leave Salt Lake for Tonopah.

F. W. Vogeler, C. S. Wilkes and six chauffeurs left Salt Lake this morning for Reno, Nev., where seven new automobiles are waiting, and which will be put into service on the new Tonopah stage line. The big Peerless and St. Louis machines which have been shipped from the east will be coupled up at Reno and the run made to Tonopah, as the local freight rate from Reno south is as great as that from St. Louis to Reno. The new company of which Mr. Vogeler is president is the Nevada-Utah Auto Transportation company, and passengers will be carried from points south of Tonopah. Tickets will be on sale at the local Southern Pacific ticket office, which will entitle the holder to railroad and motor car transportation to any of the new camps in the Goldfield district.

### NEW WYOMING LINE.

Old Surveys from Orin to Lander Cleared of Incumbrances.

Special Correspondence.

Cheyenne, Wyo., March 17.—It is learned from a reliable source that the

surveys of the Belgo-American company from Orin Junction to Lander are now being cleared of all incumbrances preparatory to beginning building operations. When these surveys were made last summer considerable indebtedness was incurred in the name of ex-Governor Fennimore Chatterton, president of the Wyoming Central Railroad Co., which proposed to build the Lander road for the Belgo-American concern. This indebtedness was confined chiefly to the wages of the surveyors, for supplies, etc., and there was considerable ill-feeling in certain quarters as a result of the failure of the company to pay up.

President Chatterton stood good for the debts and promised that all should be paid in due time, and now the money is being disbursed.

It is reported that the Chicago & Northwestern railroad, which proposes to extend its Casper line on to Lander, has purchased the surveys and right-of-way privileges of the Wyoming Central company, and will make use of them on its extension.

It is also reported that Mr. Chatterton, who is now secretary of state, will remain as president of the Wyoming Central railroad, under which name the extension from Casper to Lander and Thermopolis will be built and operated, although the Chicago & Northwestern will be behind and will finance the new road.

This will be good news to the many friends of Secretary of State Chatterton, who can now be rewarded for supporting him for the gubernatorial nomination last spring.

The new road will be completed inside of fourteen months, and Mr. Chatterton then may take active charge of its management.

### TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on box. 25c.

### Spring Suggestions.

In our Display Windows. See them. Z. C. M. L.

Tonight, Saltair, Dancing, Train 8 p. m.

### WEATHER REPORT

Record at the local office of the weather bureau for the 24 hours ending at 6 a. m. today:

Barometer reading at 6 a. m., 25.43 inches. Temperature at 6 a. m., 43 degrees; maximum, 48; minimum, 40; mean, 44, which is 1 degree above normal.

Total excess of the daily mean temperature since the first of the month, 142 degrees.

Precipitation for the 24 hours ending at 6 a. m., .02 inch.

Precipitation since the first of the month, .10 inch, which is .09 inch below the normal.

Deficiency in precipitation since January 1, 1.84 inch.

### FORECASTS TILL 5 P. M. SUNDAY.

Local forecasts for Salt Lake City and vicinity:

Clearing this afternoon; partly cloudy tonight and Sunday.

### CONFERENCE

### TRADE.

### CITY

### MERCHANTS.

Salt Lake City merchants and all others having announcements to make to visitors during Conference, are reminded that THE ONE PAPER read by the people from the country in their homes, is the SEMI-WEEKLY NEWS.

During Conference week all subscribers of the Semi-Weekly are invited to receive the DAILY NEWS FREE during their stay in town.

Utah (forecast taken at Denver, Colo.): Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday, with occasional rain. Western Wyoming: Partly cloudy, tonight and Sunday.

### TODAY'S TEMPERATURE.

6 a. m. .... 43  
7 a. m. .... 43  
8 a. m. .... 41  
9 a. m. .... 41  
10 a. m. .... 45  
11 a. m. .... 45  
12 m. .... 50  
1 p. m. .... 44

### YESTERDAY'S RECORD.

Highest .... 48  
Lowest .... 40

### To Earn More Learn More.

175 courses of instruction by mail intr. Corr. School 202 Scott Street Bldg. A. E. Neslen, Agt.

### DIED.

NICHOL—At Murray, March 17, 1905. Bruce Nichol, Jr., 21st year. Funeral will be held from the residence of his father, at 11 a. m. Sunday.

OLEEN.—At 44 east South Temple street, this city, March 17, 1905, Augusta Oleen, aged 27 years. Funeral from late residence, as above, Sunday at 2 p. m. Friends invited. Interment in South Cottonwood cemetery.

### SITUATION WANTED.

YOUNG GIRL WITH BEST OF REFERENCES would like position as typewriter and stenographer. Address 734 2nd St.

### FOR SALE.

FINE TOULOUSE GOOSE EGGS from mature stock. Sell phone 230-X.

### FOR RENT.

6-ROOM MODERN, FRAME SHADE, 62 M street; \$30.00 per month. L. H. Gray, 325-5 The Templeton.

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### Report of the Condition of the Deseret National Bank,

at Salt Lake City, in the State of Utah, at the close of business, March 14th, 1905.

### RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$1,489,000.00
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	2,538.41
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	14,954.50
U. S. bonds to secure reserve	500,000.00
Stocks, securities, etc.	162,000.00
Banking house	20,400.00
Due from National banks (not reserve agents)	30,000.00
Due from State banks and bankers	37,421.43
Due from approved reserve agents	132,222.71
Checks and other cash items	506,526.41
Exchanges for clearing houses	17,720.29
Notes of other National banks	16,141.33
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Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	\$22,238.30
Legal tender notes	70.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent circulation)	22,355.50
Total	\$3,949,071.41

### LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	\$500,000.00
Surplus fund	50,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	50,000.00
National bank notes outstanding	224,141.33
Due to other National banks	476,000.00
Due to State banks and bankers	314,149.80
Due to Trust Companies and Savings banks	150,319.73
Deposits on hand	74,534.57
Individual deposits subject to check	29,546.18
Demand certificates of deposit	129,999.80
Time certificates of deposit	79.40
Certified checks	36.00
Cashier's checks outstanding	49,641.17
United States deposits	106,361.00
Deposits of U. S. disbursing officers	16,008.11
Total	\$3,949,071.41

State of Utah, County of Salt Lake,

I, H. S. Young, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of March, 1905.

Correct—Attest: W. EVANS, Notary Public.

L. S. HILLS, Cashier.

Directors: GEO. ROMNEY.

### Report of the Condition of the Utah National Bank,

at Salt Lake City, in the State of Utah, at the close of business, March 14th, 1905.

### RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$468,330.41
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	2,538.41
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	14,954.50
U. S. bonds to secure reserve	500,000.00
Stocks, securities, etc.	162,000.00
Banking house	20,400.00
Due from National banks (not reserve agents)	30,000.00
Due from State banks and bankers	37,421.43
Due from approved reserve agents	132,222.71
Checks and other cash items	506,526.41
Exchanges for clearing houses	17,720.29
Notes of other National banks	16,141.33
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	87.58
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	\$22,238.30
Legal tender notes	70.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent circulation)	22,355.50
Total	\$3,949,071.41

### LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	\$500,000.00
Surplus fund	50,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	50,000.00
National bank notes outstanding	224,141.33
Due to other National banks	476,000.00
Due to State banks and bankers	314,149.80
Due to Trust Companies and Savings banks	150,319.73
Deposits on hand	74,534.57
Individual deposits subject to check	29,546.18
Demand certificates of deposit	129,999.80
Time certificates of deposit	79.40
Certified checks	36.00
Cashier's checks outstanding	49,641.17
Total	\$3,949,071.41

State of Utah, County of Salt Lake,

I, Joseph Nelson, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of March, 1905.

Correct—Attest: J. E. OPENSHAW, Notary Public.

JAMES CHIFMAN, Cashier.

Directors: O. P. MILLER.

### Report of the Condition of the National Bank of the Republic,

at Salt Lake City, in the State of Utah, at the close of business, March 14th, 1905.

### RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	\$1,190,000.00
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	2,538.41
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	14,954.50
U. S. bonds to secure reserve	500,000.00
Stocks, securities, etc.	162,000.00
Banking house	20,400.00