BUSINESS AND MINES.

The Washington County Court on Delegate Rawlins's Work.

GENERAL MINING INTELLIGENCE.

Inquiries Regarding Utah's Resources.—Affairs at Parks.—Mineral Income Matters.

The recent action of the county court of Washington county commending the able and efficient work of Hon. J. L. Rawlins in the national Congress is thus stated in a letter received here today:

ST. GEORGE, Dec. 23, 1893.

Chamber of Commerce, Salt Lake City:

Gentlemen—The resolutions sent by your secretary regarding the action of Hon. J. L. Rawlins in the matter of the opening up of Indian reservations in southern Utah were heartily endorsed by the county court of Washington county, and also the action of Mr. Rawlins in successfully vindicating Utah and her people in the House of Representatives in reply to Hon. S. S. Moore, of Massachusetts.

Mr. Rawlins has been duly notified of the action of this court.

By order of the county court, Washington county.

FRANCIS L. DAUGHTY,
County Clerk.

WANTS TO INVESTIGATE.

James P. Day, of 811 Lafin street, Chicago, wants a better climate and shorter surroundings than those he experiences at present, and Professor Nash is in receipt of the following communication from him:

"Dear Sir—Will you be kind enough to inform me to whom I can write in Salt Lake City for information in relation to this country, its mean temperature for the year; its extreme of temperature for the past ten years; the general healthiness of its climate; the rainfall for the year and the time of year when it does fall, principally if it differs much at different times of the year; the productiveness of its soil; the price of good land good and near water; fuel (wood); its disadvantages as a place of residence, and any other things which would likely be of interest to one who is in search of a better climate and general surroundings than those found in this part of the country at present?"

The letter was handed to Secretary Snyder, of the Chamber of Commerce, who supplied the inquirer with the desired information.

PICHE "LOST" NOTES.

The Hide mill is shut down for some repairs on the pump, but will start up again in a few days.

A great many mine owners are making arrangements to go ahead with the assessment work for 1894 immediately after New Year's, and as soon as the weather permits.

It is the intention of the owners of the Keystone mine and mill, located in the silver part of this county, to work its mines this coming year. The mill is in running order, and a railroad access to their point. They have several good properties, and should work them to the fullest extent.

The little work done on the Peacock has developed one of a high grade, the presence of the yellow metal being found by horning. Mrs. J. McFadzen and H. A. Cohen are the principal owners of this claim.

Our district recorder and his deputy have been very busy the past ten days recording notices taking advantage of the exemption law. Notwithstanding they are busy, they are happy. Why? as all wind that blows money good?"

WANTS A SUGAR factory.

Hon. W. H. Clark goes to Salt Lake this week to take his seat in the Legislature, says the Richfield Advocate, but he writes sufficiently early to take in the election on the 8th inst., which Mr. Clark claims will be a model one and devoid of the old time Liberal excitement. Mr. Clark is pledged to the cause of home industry and will do all in his power to establish a sugar factory somewhere in central Utah. We wish the gentleman success in his efforts in the assembly.

NOTES.

Don Maguire, commissioner from Utah to the Midwinter Fair, should be in San Francisco today, having left Ogden by Wednesday night's train.

The Midwinter Fair executive committee held no meeting yesterday. Some of the members came, but as there was no business to engage their attention there was no formal session of the board.

Richfield Advocate: Thos. Gillen, of Rocksfield, returned from Marysvale his other day and reports the Wedge and Bully Boy mines showing up fine, and are getting out some rich ore.

Oliver Comstock, a market gardener at Wing, Minnesota, has written to the Chamber of Commerce for a copy of a good paper and information regarding this section of country. He expresses an intention to engage in market gardening here, secretary Snyder furnished him a pamphlet on Utah and a copy of each of the Salt Lake newspapers.

Anaconda, Montana, Standard, Jan. 2: On hauling over the Butte, Anaconda & Pacific Railroad commences today, and a large second train was unloaded around the Anaconda company's properties on the hill. Seventy-five cars were loaded today from the Anaconda and three Montana mines, at which operations were resumed last night.

Elon Smith, A. F. Wunnels and Warren Hosey, of Denver, are in the city, on their return from Helena, Nevada, where they have been looking over the Jim Crow and Mogollon mines, which S. T. Gerhardt has an agreement to sell for $400,000, as stated in the News some time since. The three gentlemen will visit the Brigham mines, and then return to Denver.

The shareholders in the Brigham City Copper held their annual meeting Monday. The business was shown to be in a prosperous condition. A dividend of three per cent was declared. Apostle Lorenzo Snow was elected president and Samuel Smith, L. Snow Jr., Adolph Madsen, Alvin Nichols, Bodger Clawson, A. E. Snow, and Carl Jensen were chosen directors. This is the first time a dividend has been declared for a number of years.

TODAY'S CLEARING HOUSE.

Today's clearing house exchanges amounted to $148,558. Same day last year, $214,000.

TODAY'S QUOTATIONS.

New York—Silver, 68¼c bid, $7.10. London—Silver, 32 7-16d.

ORE AND BULLION.

Wells, Fargo & Co. received today: Pennsylvania bullion, $6,902; Ontario bullion, $17,722. Total, $24,724.

E. R. Jones & Co. received today: Bullion, $7,500; ore, $7,000. Total, $14,500.

Meldrum & Co. received today: Hummer bullion, $4,000.

W. A. Hodges has in for assay today 18 tons of Mentor ore, and one other content.

W. G. M. Stewart has in for assay today 194 tons of Silver King ore and 100 tons of Gold Prince and Union ore.

They're "In Our Midst."

Hon. N. W. Clayton, of Huntsville, is one of that class who do handsome things bequeathed and yet sometimes by halves. The latter distinction will apply in the present case, for among a few friends, the News included, he has just been distributing a fortunate New Years remembrance, in the form of two spotless and strong, plump and delicious, and still fragrant with the real Java taste and aroma of the Atlantic. Was that ever six them as they were unveiled up out of the boxes and opened? While you wait, "would be impossible to catch a yellow pedicel of an hollow and nestles "thick each."—Way off here in the mountains too? Hence the reason that Mr. Clayton does some handsome things by halves—lots halves. Here's to him!

The Driver Mercantile Suit.

In chambers today Judge Zane had under consideration a motion to fix amended findings in the case of Joseph Chidester et al. vs. the Driver Mercantile Co. et al. The motion was allowed and plaintiffs given 20 days in which to file statement for a new trial.

Receiving Congratulations.

Hon. C. S. Varian was the recipient of a number of congratulatory telegrams today from different parts of the country. One from Senator Fred T. Dubois, of Idaho, came from Washington today, congratulating Mr. Varian on the gallant Republican victory in Salt Lake.

The Official Canal.

The Utah Commission anticipates making the official canal of yesterday's election at 5 o'clock this afternoon. Thirteen of the fifteen polls had been counted at 3:30 p. m., and Col. Page was out looking for the other two.

RELIEF IN TEMPERANCE.

Inhabitants of an Island Impoverished by Drunkenness.

Abdjare Alcoholism and Speedily Advance to Prosperity and Contentment.

In the northern part of the Sea of Japan, some forty miles distant from the large island of Yezo, lies a tiny island called Oseshiri. Its soil is fertile. Trees of varying proportions cluster thickly over its surface. The surroundings and the numerous might find profitable occupation there. But the chief pursuit of the people is fishing.

Every spring, says the Japan Mail, great swarms of herring approach the coast, and the fish are easily captured to such quantities that this one bountiful dispensation of nature suffices to feed and clothe the inhabitants from year's end to year's end. Living thus to ease and plenty the people might be expected to develop qualities usually incidental to such circumstances, and they appear to have fallen pretty freely into the vice of drunkenness. In 1885 there were some 200 souls in the island. They possessed only four fixed sake. They lived in hovels thatched with coarse grass; they had scarcely any roads and they could boast only a single school. Yet they consumed annually $2,000 worth of sake in addition to shochu and other strong drinks. In short these common fisher folks spent upon intoxicating beverages more than $1 per month for every unit of their number, including women and children. The same ratio of intemperance applied to the whole of Japan would signify an annual expenditure of $300,000,000 on intoxicating beverages alone. In the face of this reckless outlay for liquor the people when suffered severely from hunger and cold during the winter, the price of rice ranging very high in the midwinter months and the dwellings being blockaded to exclude the inclement atmosphere. The local authorities prevailed upon them to adopt a system of storing provisions against times of scarcity, but their success, induced by payments on account of sake, were insufficient to accomplish anything effective in that line. These circumstances induced some local men, among them so ardently advocate the excessive use of alcoholic beverages as the cause of all the poverty, suffering, and to preach the necessity of adopting to moral principles the fault thus upon them. The crusade provoked violent opposition, but in 1884 the inhabitants were induced to sign the following agreement:

Covenant made by the people of Oseshiri island concerning the sale and purchase of alcoholic beverages and the use of the same in the island of Oseshiri.

This land which we inhabit is a lonely island in the Pacific ocean. Its inhabitants numbering ninety families, have spent their only income in unnecessary drinking of sake. Some call it every day, and another breaks the rules, actually spent upon which aggregates a heavy amount.

Debts are unable to meet their engagements, and some are even compelled to appeal to official aid for support of food. We are threatened with misery and extreme calamitous misery is necessary to save us. Hereby we pledge ourselves, having resolved to abstain from the calamity which we relish above all things, namely, sake, and to participate the injunction of the upper into the island. The money formerly spent in the purchase of sake shall be applied to lay up stocks of rice and other grain as a provision against future want, on the one hand, and to increase the capital available for fishery purposes on the other.

SIGNATURES OF THE PROMOTERS.

Dated July, 1884.

ART. I.—We, the inhabitants of Oseshiri island, jointly and severally, in consistence with the covenant hereby made, do pledge ourselves to abstain wholly the sale, purchase and use of alcoholic beverages.

(Signed)

(17 OSESHIRI INHABITANTS.)

The consequences of this covenant were very marked. It was rigorously observed. Even government officials, whatever their rank, had to give up sake drinking when they visited the island, and as a matter of course, every drummer who could not do so, was compelled to leave on departure. Order immediately reigned completely, and prosperity came with rapid strides. The population increased fivefold in five years and the capital invested in the sacing industry tenfold. Residences were replaced by shingles. Four large granaries were kept full of rice, and in addition, each household a store of its own. It is stated that there is now stored in the island rice sufficient to support the people for three or four years, even in spite the herring fishery should fail entirely. Roads have been constructed to points where nothing of the kind existed before. The primary school has been greatly improved and several branch schools have been established.

New lands have been brought into cultivation, and hemp to the value of $2,000 is annually for the manufacture of fishing nets which hitherto the sinking of the Oshiri had to be imported entirely from the mainland. Statistics also show a marked decrease of crime, and infanticide (the curse of the superstitious) became that a large community of settlers in the neighboring island of Kiu grouped themselves in a covenant similar to that of Oseshiri and with similarly happy results. Finally, we may add that which the five years originally contemplated by the covenant expired, it was found that another term of five years, despite the opposition of an influential local official.

The Riots in Sicily.

ROME, Jan. 5.—Dispatches from Trapani, Sicily, announce the removal of rioting at Calatafimi. Several hundred peasants, partly armed, attacked the Octroi offices on the outskirts of town. The municipal officers fled in fear and the mob began wrecking the offices till the military dispersed them.

The Funeral of a Bishop.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 5.—The funeral of Bishop McNerny was celebrated this morning with all the pomp and ceremony of the Catholic church. All prominent state and municipal officials were present and many of the most prominent Catholic clergy throughout the country.

OBITUARY NOTES.

ARMANDA MARIA STEWART.

Died at Dunsak, Vermont county, N. H., December 31, 1893, Armanda Maria Stewart, daughter of Ira and Sarah Hatch. She was born June 6, 1825, at St. George, Utah. Armanda was the mother of four children, three of whom survive her. The eldest was married in March May 1, 1846, from the church at which she died, and died in Utah. Her husband died, and she was married to Mr. Stewart, and after the death of the latter she married Mr. Stewart, and after the death of the latter she married Mr. Stewart. Armanda was a devoted wife and mother, ever ready to assist those who were in trouble and was best beloved by those who knew her best.—Cor.

LIST OF LETTERS.

Remaining unclaimed in the Post office at Salt Lake City, Utah, for the 5th inst. To claim any of these letters the applicant must call for "Advertised Letters" and give the date of the list. If not called for within two weeks they will be sent to the Dead Letter Office at Washington, D. C.

LADIES' LIST.

Anderson Lizzie	Jones Mrs Jennie
Allen Lizzie M	Johnson Mrs Clementine
Allen Mrs H E	Maynard Mrs Elma
Adamson Mrs M G	Mangum Ella
Bell Mrs	Morrison Mrs John M
Adams Lizzie E	Matthews Jennie
Allison Mrs A	Nelson Mrs Sarah
Bell Mrs Sidney	Nelson Ella
Brimhall Mrs F	Simpson Julia

COMMERCIAL.

REAL ESTATE.

Transfers filed in the office of the County Recorder of Salt Lake County, Utah, for the twenty days ending January 2, 1894, inclusive, and furnished by Messrs. Hardy & Rich, abstracters of title, 300 Dooly block:

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A. H. SANDS, Recorder.

STOCKS AND BARGAINS.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

New York, Jan. 5.

[illegible]

CHICAGO STOCKS.

Chicago, Jan. 5.

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$1.00 Colored Satins for - - 55c.
About 15 shades to close.
$1.50 Assorted Dress Silks, - - 75c.
About 10 pieces to close.
75c, 22 inch Colors Silks, - - 55c.
40c, 22 inch China Silks, - - 25c.
Bright colors for fancy work.
Colored Surah Silks, - - 25c.
Printed China Silks, - - 25c.
Wm Black Silks, Brocades, - - 62c.
85c Colored Crystal Silks, - - 62c.
$1.25 Shaded Crystal Silks, - - 85c.
$1.35 Colored Diagonal Silks, - - 85c.

SPECIAL PRICES IN BLACK SILKS.

Shaded Silks, - - 85c, $1.00, $1.25.
Ombre Shaded Silks, - - $2.25 yard.
ELEGANT FOR DRESSES AND TRIMMINGS.
$1.00 Colored Silk Plushes, - - 55c.
$1.25 " " " - - 75c.
$3.25 " Brocaded Velvets, - - $1.50.
$3.25 Fancy Silk Velvets, - - $1.50.

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No. 1146. Plush Coats, $18.00, now, - - - - - $13.75.
Plush Sidesplit Capes Coats, $15.00, now, - - - - $9.75.

FOR THE LADIES.

Gents' Handkerchiefs and Mufflers.

Gents' Hemstitched Linen Cambric Handkerchiefs, $1.50 doz., worth $1.50.
" " " " " " $3.00 " " $1.75.
Colored Border Linen Cambric Hemstitched, $4.50 " " $2.25.

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No. 1041, " " " " $8.75, " $4.25.
No. 1027, " " " " $8.75, " $4.25.
No. 1025, " " " " $8.75, " $4.25.
No. 1001, " " " " $8.75, " $4.25.
No. 1000, " " " " $8.75, " $4.25.
No. 1078, " Fur Trimmed Capes, $10.75, " $6.00.

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