

James Kirkham, second lieutenant also secretary and treasurer. The veterans hold an annual campfire at Provo on August 25th.

Richfield Advocate: The expected has happened. Saturday morning the lower dam of the Marysville reservoir broke and emptied a flood into the Sevier river, which conveyed the torrent down the canyon and inundated the little farms along its banks near Sevier and Vaca, breaking headgates of irrigation canals, nearly drowning a man crossing the stream and almost sweeping the railway bridge at Sevier from its moorings. Damage to crops, bridges and canals may aggregate \$1,000. There seems some ground for the suspicion that the reservoir dam was blown up. The great artificial lake covers 1,700 acres of land and its average depth was thirteen feet, its full capacity, at the time of the break. Considering this it is fortunate that no lives were lost and no greater damage was done by the flood. It was the lower dam that went out.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, APRIL 8.

D. E. Crafts, who has just returned from the Animas river region in San Juan county, was a caller at the "News" office today. The story he tells of that section shows it to be abundantly blessed with a good climate, fine soil, unlimited water supply, good grazing lands, plenty of cheap coal, firewood, lumber, building stone, and, in fact, almost everything that is necessary to make a people prosperous and contented.

Mr. Crafts says he became interested in that section through reading of it in the "News" not long since and accordingly he boarded a train and went directly to the place to make an investigation on his own account. The result is he is more than pleased. So pleased, in fact, is he, that he will at once begin to arrange his affairs with a view to changing his home from Deseret to the Animas country. Several other Millard county families, he says, will do the same thing. The latter are getting ready to leave now and will take their departure within a week or two.

Mr. Crafts says there are a good many Mormon settlers along the Animas and San Juan rivers and at Farmington and Aztec and that they are all doing well. The Animas Land and Irrigation company has just let a contract to construct a twenty-five mile canal tapping the Animas river on the east. It will cost \$60,000 and under the contract must be completed by August 1st. It will reclaim 35,000 acres of mesa lands which are a sort of rich red loam capable of very high production. Another canal of about the same size and costing about the same amount of money will shortly be taken out on the west side of the river.

A very great proportion of the land is yet unlocated and can be taken up under either the desert entry or homestead acts. Permanent water rights can be secured at the rate of \$8.50 per acre, two dollars and fifty cents down with nine years' time to make settlement for the balance. Wheat, corn and potatoes yield very heavy crops there, and as for fruit, Mr. Crafts declares he has never seen anything to compare with the apples of this region. The same, he says, is true with reference to peaches, pears and all other fruits except those of a tropical character.

As to other resources he says there are very good grazing lands surrounding those that are best adapted to agriculture. Cedar wood and pinyon pine covers the hills and from two to four loads can be hauled in a day. It is thirty miles to the big timber used for building purposes. Lumber is worth \$8 to \$12 a thousand at the mill.

Good coal can be had at the mines, eight miles from the town of Aztec, at from seventy-five cents to one dollar a load. There is an abundance of good sandstone for building and a very fine quality of clay for brick making purposes. Most of the houses are of brick and settlers who went into the country four or five years ago have good homes, farms and orchards and are in a very prosperous condition generally. Mr. Crafts says that he will gladly furnish information free of cost concerning this region to any person who desires it. His address for the present will be, Deseret, Millard county, Utah.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY, APRIL 9.

In the matter of the estate of James Harvey, deceased, Judge Hiles today rendered a decision, overruling the demurrer to the petition of Martha Ellis, praying that Alma Harvey, a polygamous child of petitioner and James Harvey, deceased, be adjudged a lawful heir of the deceased.

The announcement that Miss Mary Young Taylor is dead will cause sadness in many hearts. Mamie, as she was familiarly known by her friends, was widely known and respected. While, as the result of a surgical operation, she had not been strong for more than two years, her condition was not regarded serious until within the last few days. On Friday evening last she attended an entertainment in the Thirteenth ward meeting house and was taken suddenly ill. She was conveyed to her home and given every possible attention, but grew gradually worse, until the end came shortly after ten o'clock Thursday night.

The deceased was the youngest daughter of the late President John Taylor and was 22 years of age.

The glowing stories of the fabled richness of the Klondike have attracted a good many Utahns from the peace and quiet of their own homes. Among these may be reckoned Roscoe E. Savage, who, with rugged physique, visions of possible wealth, and splendid equipment in the way of clothing and food left for the new Eldorado about six weeks ago. But "Rock" is home now and to use his own language is "mighty glad of it," for he had a hard time during his brief adventures in search of precious metals.

Mr. Savage returned last evening and was seen by a "News" man today. The rigors of the trip have left their marks upon him. Speaking of his experience he called attention in vigorous language to the hardships and sufferings of many of the men who have rushed ambitiously and unknowingly in the direction of the gold bearing section. That it contains gold in considerable quantities he says there is no doubt but the stories regarding its richness are, he says, exaggerated through organized effort to an extent that is criminal. Even the strongest men are stricken down with heavy colds on account of exposure. In a great many cases spinal meningitis results and then death is almost a foregone conclusion. Several very sad cases that came under Mr. Savage's personal supervision were cited.

This condition of affairs has started the tide of passenger migration this way at a rushing rate, and men are getting out of the country just as fast as they can sell their outfits and get money enough to come home on. On the steamer Danube that brought Mr. Savage back were fifty other disheartened men. When they landed there were five corpses to take off the boat. One of them was a great big fellow from Iowa. His constitution was a very strong one and he lived nine days after being stricken down, a much longer period than most of the men last after the disease takes hold of them. This

is cited as an example of many, it being claimed that the prospectors die off like sheep when once attacked.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY, APRIL 11.

Word comes from Mesa City, Arizona, announcing the death at that place on the 25th of March, of Henry W. Brizzee. The deceased had been a resident of Arizona for twenty-one years. He was a native of New England and was 71 years old. He was a member of the famous Mormon Battalion and remained with it during all its trying experiences.

Mrs. Robert C. Brown, wife of the night emergency man of the city waterworks department, met with a most tragic and lamentable death on Saturday night about 10 o'clock. Mrs. Brown had just left the home of her parents at Tenth South and Eighth West streets to return to her own residence on Canyon Road. She was making the trip in a cart with her three children. The oldest, a little boy, held the reins as they passed along Second West, between Fourth and Fifth South streets. At this point the horse took fright and ran away, going along at a lively rate, until it encountered an electric light pole and threw the occupants to the ground. The young mother made an heroic effort to save her children from injury, but it was at the cost of her own life.

Mrs. Brown was picked up in an unconscious state and carried into the residence of Albert McKenzie, and Drs. Hughes, McLean and Bower were summoned. All efforts at resuscitation failed and an hour after the accident the unfortunate woman died in her husband's arms.

The deceased was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Nyquist and was twenty-eight years of age.

Stretched on a table in the patrolmen's room of the old city hall building, with four physicians attending him and little hope for his recovery, is the body of Carl Whitsitt, whose plans, if they had not been interfered with, would have led him to the altar tomorrow, the 12th inst., where he would have taken unto himself a wife in the person of Miss Annie Hansen of this city.

Whitsitt was found at the point of death in the basement of the old Lyceum building on Second South street, at one o'clock this morning, his groans leading to the discovery, which was made by W. S. Wearing, a colored cigar dealer, and R. J. Gibson, a mining man. When approached, the man was lying on his back, groaning faintly, and in an unconscious condition. He was shortly conveyed to the police station, and medical assistance summoned, through whose aid it was learned that he had been rendered unconscious through the application of morphine. When found his pockets were turned out, and their contents, consisting of papers, a silver watch, several keys, a knife and other trinkets were strewn about him, these circumstances pointing very clearly to robbery.

The physicians summoned were Drs. Root, Witcher, McKenna and Beer, all of whom have labored hard all day in an effort to resuscitate the man and bring him to a state of consciousness. He was so far gone, however, when discovered, that their task was a difficult one, and, at press time, though the man was still alive; it was thought barely possible that he could recover. So labored was his breathing that an incision had to be made in the windpipe, and a tube inserted therein, in order to give the man all possible chance of recovery. The stomach pump was also used with some effect, but all efforts thus far have failed to give