

TO FRUIT GROWERS.

The time is now come when it will be necessary for our fruit growers to prune up their trees. Having been in the business of raising and caring for fruit trees for half a century, I feel that some suggestions from me may be of value.

In order to keep trees healthy and insure good, well-flavored fruit, the trees should be carefully pruned every spring. Young orchards especially should be pruned for the first six years of their life. With each pruning, one-half of the preceding year's growth should be cut away, leaving the upper bud outward.

In hundreds of orchards the failure to properly prune the trees at the proper time has resulted in debilitating the trees and destroying the flavor of the fruit. In such orchards the fruit grows smaller every year, and finally becomes worthless.

If the owners would thin out from one-half to three-fourths of the wood between the lower limbs and the top of these old trees, they would soon see an improvement in the size, abundance and quality of the fruit. The thinning out should be done regularly and with good judgment. In this way old orchards may be redeemed and made the source of much profit in returning a good flavored and an abundant yield.

If my experience would be considered worthy of consideration I will be glad to render such aid and make such suggestions to fruit growers as I can.

JOSEPH LOCK,

POPPERTON PLACE, Salt Lake City,
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NEWS FROM FILLMORE.

FILLMORE, Feb. 25, 1894.—Yesterday President I. N. Hinkley and his son, I. N. Jr., were returning from a visit to Kanab. Brother Hinkley, who is an expert horseman, was driving a splendid team of bays attached to a buggy, and was going at a very slow gait. When a little north of Meadow one of the horses' feet suddenly slipped from under him, the fall frightened the other horse which sprang forward, breaking the wheel tree. The fallen horse jumped up and both bounded off, the sudden stop having thrown the riders forward from the buggy to the ground. The horses ran for about two hundred yards, the driver dashed into a "bull fence" and fell in a heap. When the driver got to them he found one of the horses dead with a broken neck, and the other tangled in the harness.

They returned to Meadow, got another horse and returned home somewhat shaken up, but were out to meeting today.

Mrs. McNorton, the poor woman who recently got so badly injured by falling into the fire whilst in a fit, died on the night of the 23rd, and was buried under the direction of the ward bishopric today. She was aged twenty-five years.

George Greenway was last week fined \$25 for selling whisky without a license.

A suit is now pending whereby G. R. Huntsman is engaged with permitting minors to remain in his saloon.

Two young Indians, "John" and "Alec," got a dollar's worth of alcohol

from a "white man." Then they got drunk, and in the night both rode upon the same horse ten miles south to Dry Creek and entered the premises of Mr. Oscar Anderson, stole a horse and saddle and continued their journey south. Deputy Sheriff A. Alexander got on their trail and after a rough ride through a blizzard for these parties got the Indians near Minersville, Beaver county. They had a hearing yesterday before J. P. McBride, and the case goes to the grand jury at Provo.

A. BIRD.

DROWNED IN AN ICE POND.

OGDEN, March 2, 1894.—As some inaccuracies have occurred in the accounts published in relation to the death by drowning of William, son of Elder Joseph Parry and his wife Susan, of this place, the father desires me to furnish a correct statement for the DESERET NEWS. I now do so, and ask for them a place in your column.

On Wednesday morning last, Feb. 27, the deceased, who had been sick, was in consequence retained at home from school, but it was thought not to be so serious as to retain him in the afternoon. About half-past ten o'clock a. m. his father saw him setting kindling wood in the lot, and requested the boy to tell his mother to send him to school in the afternoon. The son took his wood to the house and delivered his father's request. Shortly after the boy walked out of the house, taking a little hand sled with him, and in company with two more youths went to the ice pond of Farr Brothers. His two companions and William Parry walked on the ice when they supposed to be safe. The night previous a number of young men and women were skating on the same pond in perfect safety, and without apprehension of any danger whatever. But these three boys had only gone a few steps on the ice when it broke beneath William, and he was plunged into the deep, ice-cold water. In his struggles he seized and held on to the ice, and he and his companions called loudly for help.

Messrs. Archie Bowman and Albert Baukann, hearing the cries, ran to the spot to render any assistance they could to rescue the boy from his perilous situation. Their efforts were all in vain. The youth was obliged and exhausted and fell back into the pond. In the meantime word was sent to the mother, who was horror-stricken at the news she received, as she supposed he was still on the premises, and knew of that he had left home at all. She hurried to the pond and reached there before the body was secured from the water.

All known remedies were resorted to, to restore animation, but life was extinct.

On Thursday, March 1st, the funeral services were held in the Third ward meeting house, which was filled with sympathizing friends of the parents. The exercises were conducted by Bishop Barnard White. Consoling addresses were made by Bishop Elias Morris, Elders Joseph Hall, C. F. Middleton and Bishop White. The remains were interred in the Ogden cemetery, and not in Mountain View, as some published statements have it.

Deceased was born April 30th, 1880,

and therefore was nearly 14 years of age. Yours truly, JOSEPH HALL.

OBITUARY NOTES.

WILLIAM CAPENER.

Elder William Capener, whose death occurred on the 24th of January, 1894, at Centerville, Davis county, Utah, was born in London, England, July 30, 1806. He emigrated to America in 1834; was baptized in the spring of 1844 in Cleveland, Ohio; was ordained an Elder in the Kirtland Temple January 24, 1844. He came with his family to Utah in the fall of 1852 and resided in Salt Lake City from the time of his arrival until 1873, when he removed to Centerville, where he remained until his death.

His descendants number 154, divided as follows: Children 17, grandchildren 54, great-grandchildren 80, and great-great-grandchildren 3.

Although Brother Capener was a man of no particular prominence he was withal a strictly honest man, and such a one is said to be "the noblest work of God."

Funeral services were held in the Centerville meeting house January 27, 1894. Appropriate and consoling remarks were made by Elders Joseph E. Taylor and Nathan Porter. A large cortege followed the body to its last resting place; six of the sons of Father Capener were his pall bearers.—[Com.]

MATILDA ROBISON KING.

KINGSTON, Utah, Feb. 19, 1894.—At the residence of her son, Thomas E. King, Matilda Robison King, the wife of the late Thomas R. King, died at 15 minutes past 8 a. m., of heart failure, at the age of 82 years, 11 months and 7 days, leaving a numerous posterity to mourn her loss. She was the mother of eight children, seventy-two grandchildren and seventy great-grandchildren. Her husband's remains were taken from their place of burial in Circle Valley, Utah, with hers and interred in one grave in the cemetery of Coyote, Utah. She was a member of the first Relief Society organized at Nauvoo, Ill. On the first of the month she spoke one-half hour to the Relief Society, giving many interesting incidents of the Prophet Joseph. She had entertained him at her table in Montrose, Iowa, when he was hiding from the mob. Her home was always a resting place for the authorities on their trips through the settlements. She died as she had lived, a faithful Latter-day Saint.

THOMAS E. KING.

THE DEAD.

Peaceful be their Rest.

MARKS.—February 28, 1894, John R. Marks, son of Stephen H. and Olive H. Marks; aged two days.

HARRISON.—At Sandy, Utah, March 2, 1894, Isaac Harrison, born Nov. 2nd, 1816; aged 78 years, 4 months.

GARLICK.—At her residence in Kayville, Agnes Garlick, of pneumonia, on Wednesday, Feb. 28, 1894, in her 69th year. She was born at Hallowtown, County Antrim, Ireland. *Millennial Star*, please copy.

MEADS.—At his residence in the Eleventh ward, Salt Lake City, Nathan Meads, son of William and Sarah Condy Meads; born in Nottinghamshire, England, May 15, 1823; died at 6:40 a. m. March 3rd, 1894.

SHEPPARD.—In South Ottonwood, Feb. 19, 1894, of dropsy, Mary Ann Sheppard, relict of the late Charles Sheppard; aged 67 years, 3 months and 18 days. Deceased was born in Oxfordshire, England, embraced the Gospel in December 1818; emigrated to Utah in the fall of 1870 and died in full faith of the Gospel.