

named to date is of considerable interest. The states and number of delegates are as follows: Arkansas, 10; California, 3; Colorado, 21; Florida, 5; Georgia, 5; Idaho, 6; Iowa, 10; Kentucky, 20; Michigan, 7; Missouri, 5; Montana, 47; Nebraska (Omaha), 22; Oregon, 5; Tennessee, 5; Utah (towns), 20; Wisconsin, 31; Missouri, 5. The state appointments which have been promised from governors, are from Idaho, Oregon, Colorado, Massachusetts, Virginia, Ohio, Alabama, Pennsylvania, Minnesota, and Nevada. In addition, verbal assurance of representation has been given by the governor of Wyoming; the California State Miners' Association is looking after the representation of that state, and assurance has been given that Nebraska will have a state delegation present as well as the very strong representation named from Omaha.

Consideration of these promising facts has encouraged the committee to make the announcement of its plans for the exhibit of Utah ores and to settle definitely the question of possible postponement because of the war excitement. It was the unanimous opinion of the committee, that the attendance already promised would justify them in going ahead with their arrangements even if they were not certain, as they are, that the appointments yet to be made will greatly exceed in number those that have already been reported. The report of the finance committee, it is believed, justified the committee in expecting the full amount, \$6,000, estimated as necessary for the expenses of the congress. The subscriptions to date amount to \$3,885, and the committee figures on contributions to make the affair a success without any extraordinary effort.

The mineral exhibit is planned on a scale worthy the magnitude of the State's mining interests. It is intended to show samples on a commercial scale, illustrating the peculiarities of the ores of each camp and mine, as well as displays of the iron and sulphur deposits, elterite and other hydro-carbons, onyx, marble, pumice—all of the products of the State, either developed or promising returns for capital invested in development. One of the features of interest now under consideration will be the miniature cyanide mill, which will probably be put up by the MacArthur-Forrest people for the illustration of their processes of ore treatment.

The exhibit will be placed in the Hall of Relics, which will be prepared for its installation. The committee will be glad to have suggestions and answer inquiries from intending exhibitors. Correspondence will be addressed to W. D. Johnson, secretary, this city.

Mill Creek, April 29, 1898.

In Friday's "Semi" I noticed that Thorvald Schjornig has been examined, Thorvald Schjornig has been examined, reform school. And as I am somewhat acquainted with the boy and his environments, I desire to say that I think it is a burning shame for children, whose parents are totally incompetent to rear them, to be sent to a house of correction when the blame lies with the parent of parents.

That boy has been a pupil in my school for the greater part of two years; and has been far better in deportment than I could have hoped, because he came with such a bad recommendation from his father. In fact, he did well for one who has known nothing but abuse from his earliest days until now. He has been beaten over the head a countless number of times; has been required to go without meals at least two days in succession a great many times, and has been abused so badly at home that he frequently ran away and slept around the kiln at the Salt Lake Press Brick yard, and elsewhere. He is

mentally affected, and has been beaten over the head so much that, although a large boy, he would dodge and throw up his hand to protect his head if only a small child happened to make a gesture towards him.

He will be much better off at the reform school than at home. But it seems as though some kind of reform, or reconstructing measures would be well applied if the boy's father could be made to use more humane treatment toward his children, and be required to meet the expense of the boy's keeping while at the reform school.

If a parent can do no better than to vilify his own child among his neighbors until his character is ruined, and then misrepresent him before the courts, in order to avoid the expense of providing for him; it seems that our boasted civilization is waning.

Would it not be well if the complaining parent were given a rigid examination along with his wayward offspring?

Yours truly,

J. D. CUMMINGS.

Shortly before 11 o'clock last night the fire department was summoned to a burning barn on West Temple street between Third and Fourth South streets. The building was the property of Kelsey & Gillespie, and was wrapped in flames when the department arrived. Four span of horses belonging to Metcalf & Sons Bottling company, were within, and and reared, plunged and neighed in the most frantic manner imaginable. At times the weird sounds which came from amid the flames, resembled those of human beings in great distress. These sounds were most pitiable, and almost caused bystanders to weep.

Immediately upon their arrival the firemen burst in the doors and commenced the rescue of the frightened and endangered animals. Six horses were got out in safety, but the smoke was so dense and the flames so hot that the rescue of the two remaining was most difficult, one of them having to be dragged out into the open air before it could be revived. Several streams of water were played on the blaze, and in a short time it had been extinguished. There was no insurance, and the loss will reach several hundred dollars.

The blaze is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary, the same building having been fired at the same point on Wednesday night.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY, MAY 2.

The board of county commissioners met in special session at 10 a. m. today to hear the petition of Eli Curtis et al. for the creation of a new school district from portions of the 38th and 59th districts. Petitioners ask for sections 4, 7, 8, and 9 of 38th and $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 5 of 59th.

Petitioners were represented by Attorneys S. W. Stewart, Eli Curtis and S. D. Wallace. The protestants by trustee M. Spencer and H. Harker from 38 and all trustees of 59th.

After arguments the board took the matter under advisement.

Millennial Star: The statistical report of the Latter-day Saint Sunday schools in Great Britain, for the year 1897, is as follows:

Number of schools, 24; number of times school held during year, 772; number of officers and teachers, male, 66; female, 12; total, 78; average attendance, 55; number of pupils, male, 202; female, 222; total, 424; average attendance, 298; total officers, teachers and pupils, 502; number of pupils in primary department, 140; in intermediate department, 51; in higher department, 233; total cash collected from all sources, £4 6s. 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ d.; cash disbursed, £2 13s. 4d.; cash in treasury, £1 13s. 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ d.

Three of the conferences were without any Sunday schools last year, and several of the branches in other conferences also had no schools.

At 2:45 this morning the fire department was summoned to the residence of W. D. Patten, 733 east, Eighth South street, the scene of a blaze that had its origin in a wood-box located behind the kitchen stove. The house is a frame structure and might have been burned to the ground but for the timely arrival of the fire department. As it was, however, the loss amounted to but \$30 or \$40.

At the time the fire broke out, Mrs. Patten and daughter were asleep in an upstairs room. In the kitchen was a faithful watch-dog, which, on seeing the blaze commenced to bark loudly and kept this up until the occupants were awakened from their slumber and rushed down stairs only to find the flames leaping higher and higher. That the dog was an instrument in rescuing the women from a hazardous position, is clearly evident. The house is owned by G. R. Bothwell, manager of the Sacramento Mining company.

Manti, Sanpete County,

April 30th, 1898.

A heavy rain here yesterday, with frequent showers this morning has made glad the hearts of the farmers.

The war meeting of last night, with Mayor Alex. Tennant presiding, was well attended. General Cannon, Col. Penrose, Capt. Stacey (of Co. F), and Ferdinand Alder, (ex-mayor), addressed the meeting resulting in the enlistment of nine men for the war.

The Sunday school conference of the Stake is in session, Elders George Goddard, (the veteran of the Sunday school cause), and Joseph W. Summerhays of your city are in attendance; together with the local and Stake authorities. Conspicuous among them sits President Canute Peterson.

Manti's citizens are equally ready for peaceful or warlike pursuits, and the nine men of war from here will no doubt do their duty in the field—as Manti's other sons are doing theirs in the Sunday school's peaceful cause here this day.

A. J.

Pleasant Grove, May 1st, 1898.

Moritz Peter Poulson, who was struck with a shovel by his son James, is lying in a critical condition. Much sympathy is expressed for the son, who is incarcerated in the Provo jail awaiting examination. The row came about over borrowed money. The senior Poulson has the reputation of being a hard father.

Mrs. Annie White, wife of Hammer White, was severely injured yesterday in a runaway. Her collar bone was broken and she was otherwise shaken up.

Mrs. Nahcy Holman, who was burned two weeks ago, is still suffering from her wounds and is now in a dangerous condition.

This town will furnish several young men for the war.

The rain last night and today is doing a world of good.

The new millinery store of Mrs. R. E. Driggs is nearing completion and will enhance the business portion of the burg materially.

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Smithfield, Cache County,

April 29, 1898.

A sad accident happened in this city last week and Smithfield people say that in the death of James D. Cantwell they have sustained an irreparable loss.

Mr. Cantwell was a prominent young man, aged 26 years, principal of the district schools, leader of the choir and foremost in all that pertains to the education and higher culture of the young.

On Wednesday morning, April 20th, Mr. Cantwell went to his school duties