

Wednesday May 7, 1874.

## PRICE OF GOLD.

Corrected daily by DESPATCH NATIONAL BANK.  
SALT LAKE CITY, May 7, 1874.  
Buying at \$13.50, Selling at \$1.75.

## LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

The temperature 45 degrees F. in the shade, at 1 p.m. today. Chances, 50-50.

THEATRE.—There was a superior performance at the Theatre last evening, and the various portions of it were off in satisfactory style. Mr. Montague, Eugene O'Neil, and others of talent abounding in them, and a capable of presenting a good entertainment.

On Thursday evening Miss Auguste L. Dargan commenced a very brief engagement in the play "The Merchant of Venice." She is a favorite of talent among the students. She has few equals on the American stage. What she does is well done. Her acting is impressively real. Those who have seen her will say she is really good acting, without any discount upon her. They go to the Theatre during the engagement of Miss Dargan, and they will see that which is highly satisfactory to the cultivated taste in theatrical matters.

THE MEMBERS of the High Council are requested to meet at the City Hall, on Friday morning, at ten o'clock. A full and punctual attendance is requested.

SALT LAKE CITY, May 6th.

Editor DESPATCH.—Now, if the brethren appointed to the election of the Schoolmaster in mine, let me nominate the Schoolmaster in good health and spirits.

Christian G. Larson, S. A. Anderson, John Frazee, Ned Andersen, Andrew Jensen, Larsen, Lund, Magnus Hansen.

THE TEMPLE.—The sled roofing placed over the walls of the Temple last fall, to protect the mosaics, &amp;c., from the effects of the weather during the winter months, has been removed, preparatory to the laying of three more courses of rock. We understand the work of laying the additional courses is expected to be completed within a few weeks from now.

WAGON AND MACHINERY DEPARTMENT.—Frame buildings are being erected to cover the ground immediately west of the University building, and which is occupied by the wagon and machinery department of Z. C. M. I., under the management of Mr. W. H. True. It is intended to enable that gentleman to keep all of the immense stock of goods under his charge under cover. Large quantities of farming machinery are being received now.

WANTS TO KNOW.—Messrs. Cook &amp; Sheldon, Hastings, Michigan, want to know the post office address of Edward J. Barnard, supposed to be residing at this city or Territory. Can anybody give them the desired information?

PERIODICALS.—From Dwyer's book store, East Temple St., we have received the "American Builder and Journal of Art" and "Bow-Bells," for May, "Scientific American," "Chimney Corner," "Harper's Weekly," "Health and Home," for May 10, and the June number of the "Budget of Home."

SERVED HIM RIGHT.—About three o'clock this morning Charles Burns, while under the influence of liquor, was profane and obscene language on the street. He was arrested and fined \$2.

WAITING FOR SPIKES.—Had there been sufficient spikes on hand the Convisile and Co. would have been able to have been completed to the Wasatch mountains about seven miles beyond the first named place, last night. The company can cut spikes if the work will be suspended till a supply arrives, and they are on the way.

Mr. George Nechler has contracted with the balance of the stockholders of the Wasatch coal mine to run the latter for three years, and it is probable that he, as well as the owners of other mines, will continue to work the railroads in view of the order to supply Salt Lakers with coal at cheap rates. If they do they have heavy advantages for securing for the Weber District the greater part of the coal trade of this city or vicinity, as the cost of labor here is much less than any other known or developed coal field.

WITH RAILROAD COMMUNICATIONS open with this extensive country, there is but small risk of coal dealers being compelled to take a "fifth" of a Sal Lake coal mine as they did last winter.

A good plan for coal dealers to adopt would be for them to contract, especially during the winter months, with established dealers to supply their coal to the latter parties directly. This plan prevents advances to both dealers and consumers, in that the former would thus secure a large amount of legitimate custom that he could depend upon, while the latter would not be under the necessity of laying out so much money for coal, thus preventing the loss of a large percentage by slackage. Besides, dealers could not profit in this way at car load prices.

THE ALTA INDEPENDENT.—The first number of the Alta Daily Independent, dated Saturday, May 3d, should have been noticed yesterday. It is a 16-column paper, presents a neat typographical appearance, and is evidently alive to the interests of "Alta." Little Cottowood, whence it hails. It is published every evening, Sunday excepted. Kenner &amp; Edmonston, Editors and Proprietors.

THE GUIDEBOOK TO HEALTH, PEACE AND COMPETENCE, or the Road to "Happy Old Age." By W. H. Hall, M. D., New York.

This is a beautiful work of about 100 pages, it is written in large, clear good paper, numerously illustrated, with steel engravings of the author, hand-colored in half color, gilt edges. It contains a selection of the writings of Dr. Hall upon various topics relating to health, wealth, peace, comfort and happiness. The motto of the book is "Work and Pray."

Mrs. W. S. Prentiss, of this city, is the author of a work for the "Territory." The book is sold by subscription.

D. A. &amp; M. SCOTT.—Secretary Campbell has handed us the following:

The Board of Directors of the Denver Agricultural and Manufacturing Society met last night, without Woodford, in the room of the Hotel Colorado, and appointed a committee to make inquiries relative to the probability of an extension of the street cars to the contemplated extension of the city limits.

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Adjourned nine o'clock.

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