LOOKING TOWARD UTAH.

An Eastern Loan and Trust Company Inquires About Salt Lake City.

Answering a letter of inquiry from a Schenectady, N. Y., Loan and Trust Company, Secretary S. W. Sears, of the Chamber of Commerce, says:

SALT LAKE CITY, May 21, 1892.

Mr. W. H. Kelly, South Schenectady, N. Y.:

Dear Sir—Your favor of the 16th inst. to our enterprising citizen, Mr. W. E. Hubbard, has been handed to me for reply. We have sent you by the mail some pamphlets which will answer most of your questions on any point which is not fully covered by the printed matter and this communication. If you will drop us a line we will be pleased to give you more definite information. Many eastern people are turning their attention to Salt Lake City and the reason many others do not do so is because they do not realize, do not dream of the many advantages of this much favored locality. Here nature has been most lavish with her gifts. The condition is such that those who are dissatisfied here would be hard, indeed, to please anywhere. Our mountains abound in precious metals, as well as coal and iron, and all in such close proximity to each other that they can be used to the greatest advantage. Our canyons range furnish fine nutritious grass for the grazing of cattle and sheep, so that our local markets constantly supply the very finest class of beef, still leaving a large surplus for export to the trade centers of the east and west. From our mountain streams we obtain the finest trout at prices which are not excessive even to being within the reach of the moderate and laborer, while our orchards and vineyards produce fine fruit in as great variety as can be found in this latitude anywhere. In the extreme southern portion of Utah some tropical and semi-tropical fruits are successfully grown. We are in the very midst of raw material for the manufacture of almost everything required for the necessities and many of the comforts of life. Capital is needed for a fuller development of our industries. Many millions could be profitably employed in this direction and it is gradually coming. The next few years this city must make some rapid strides in material development. One reason for capitalists holding back previously has been a very general but erroneous impression that society was not upon a proper basis here, that our children and schools were not as good as they are in the East, that our citizens lacked the culture and refinement possessed elsewhere. Another reason has been that capitalists in the far east have thought that nothing was good security for their investments which lay west of the Missouri river, and Salt Lake was associated in their minds with Australia, Japan and China; but this impression has been removed to a great extent, and will soon be obliterated entirely, bringing in a new era for Utah, and it is a safe prediction that it will not be many years before investments in a state possessing all the advantages enjoyed by Utah will be at a premium over less favored localities which may occupy a more easterly position on the map. Our climate is simply delightful—no earthquakes, no cyclones, no tornadoes, no blizzards, no sunstrokes, with the temperature seldom falling to zero or rising above ninety degrees. Our beautiful inland "Dead Sea" furnishes one of the finest bathing resorts in the world, thousands daily visit and bathe in its clear saline waters during the months of June, July, August and September. Our electric cars carry passengers through streets 132 feet wide to their urban and suburban homes. The great width of our streets are admirably adapted for rapid transit. We have no real estate boom, but a steady and healthy appreciation of values, and this is the safest place in America today for real estate investors, the value of realty is yearly advanced by the actual growth of the city. Between two and three hundred buildings are now in course of erection, some of them quite imposing structures as shown by the official permits granted recently. This does not include the many suburban houses just outside of the city limits where no permits are needed, and where at the present time there is a great deal of activity. We have many miles of sidewalks paved with Portland cement, and our principal thoroughfares either paved or the work is projected. Nearly can boast of fine waterworks, and our sewer system is of the best modern and approved kind. Trusting our effort to give you an idea of some of the advantages of our city will prove satisfactory to you, I am, yours truly,

S. W. SEARS, Secretary."

A COWARDLY ATTACK.

A Well Dressed Footpad Attempts To Rob a Helpless Woman.

Last night about 8 o'clock, a dark complexioned, compactly built, well dressed brute in human form made a cowardly attempt to rob a lady near the corner of Second South and Sixth East streets. His intended victim was Mrs. J. H. Fryer who lives at 57 H. street. He was secreted behind a shade tree adjoining the sidewalks and when Mrs. Fryer walked slowly out to the curb pushing a baby carriage in front of her in which were seated two of her children he sprang from his hiding place and seized her by the arm. Woman-like Mrs. Fryer cried out for help and her screams brought a couple of young men to her rescue. Before they arrived, however, the robber made a grab for her watch and purse but missed the object of his lawless act. He was pursued for some distance, but succeeded in making good his escape. During the disturbance he overturned the baby carriage and gave the two babes a severe shaking up. Mrs. Fryer sustained a severe shock from which she will not recover for some time.

Alumni Association Entertainment.

The ninth annual meeting of the Alumni Association of the University of Deseret will occur on Wednesday evening June 8th, at the University building. The proceedings will commence at eight o'clock. A varied programme has been arranged. A banquet will be given, and after the musical selections and addresses are over, a ball will bring the entertainment to a close. The committee, composed of well known and talented ladies and gentlemen, will see that this meeting of the Alumni is in every way equal at least to its predecessors.

Boasted on the Dogs.

On the elevated train the writer was attracted by the beauty of a young girl who was going somewhere or other alone. Opposite her sat a fat man and a thin man, and by her sat a medium size man.

The fat man looked over his paper at the curve of her shoulders. The thin man looked over his at the creamy nonchalance of her chin. The medium man glanced sideways at her shell pink ear and from there to her dainty hand. And one gazed six variously.

The three men would each pretend to read a paragraph and then proceed to take another look. The girl became conscious of the arrangement after a while and began to get nervous. Men away down at the ends of the car were beginning to stand on their toes to examine her loveliness. The girl looked as if she wanted to sketch away, then reminded one of a hunted fawn with a lot of dogs ranged around her ready to fasten their teeth in her. At Chatham square the guard called—

"Change for Fulton, Wall and South ferries!"

The girl arose and moved for the door. The fat man, the thin man, the medium man and several other men started also.

When the train stopped the girl turned back and re-entered the train.

The fat man, the thin man, the medium man and the several others stood on the platform and looked blank.—New York Recorder.

The Congressional Terminator.

An old Indian fighter on one occasion was called on to make a statement concerning a battle to a congressional committee, and he was requested to couch it in language intelligible to the statesmen instead of using the vernacular of the plains.

"Will you be kind enough," said the chairman, "to give us an account of this fight?"

"Course; that's what I'm here for," he responded. "You see, our company of a hundred men met a game with about four many Injuns, and it was our deal, for we had slipped up on 'em. They stood pat, right from the start, and we filled and went in at 'em from behind the rocks in a straight bluff, for we didn't know how many there were, and they met us in the open and kivered our ante, for they thought they had us. It was hot in that, shore, and both sides was shooting and slashin and yellin when night settled down and ended the game."

"What was the condition of the contestants at the close?" asked the chairman.

"That's hard tellin," was the frank reply. "All I know is, after both sides pulled out thar was a pile of reds and a pile of whites on the flat, an nobody on neither side had sand enough in his eyes to show up and claim 'em."

The members of the committee afterward stated that more lucid and intelligible testimony had never been produced before them.—Detroit Free Press.

Curious Coronation Ceremonies.

When a chief is about to be crowned king paramount of the Swazi nation, a worthy (called an ingli) is sent out to hunt for a lion, a tiger, a buffalo and a large snake. The because part of the ceremony at the coronation consists of the king eating portions of the hearts of the three animals, the oil of the snake only being used. The nobility man rubs the oil on the breast, temples and between the shoulders of the king—this to prevent him being bewitched. The animal hearts are supposed to act on the liver and make his royal majesty brave indeed. During the ceremony the king sits upon the skull of the buffalo, which has been placed upon the ground in the heart of the village.

The exercises last three days. On the first he is clothed only in the skin of the lion, on the second in the skin of the tiger, while on the third the skull is in the center of the buffalo's skin and mounted by the king, who is perfectly naked. In this situation he receives the congratulations of his people, who hail him as "Great Lion," "Great Tiger," "slayer of serpents" and "Rider of the Buffalo." By the above titles he is ever after known to his people.—St. Louis Republic.

Hurrying Him Up.

"Jack," said a pretty girl to her brother, the other day, "I want you to do something for me—that's a good fellow."

"Well, what is it?" growled Jack, who is the brother of the special.

"Why, you know that wig and mustache you used in the theatricals?"

"Well?"

"Well, won't you just put them on and go to the concert tonight? Reginald and I will be there, and, Jack, I want you to stare at me the whole evening through your glasses."

"What? You want me to do that?"

"Yes, and as we come out you must stand at the door and try to slip me a note; take care that Reggie sees you too."

"Well, I declare!"

"Pouting, you see, Jack. Reggie likes me. I know, but then he is awful slow, and he's well off, and lots of other girls are after him, and he's got to be hurried up a little, as it were."—London Tit-Bits.

Has No Need of Working.

There is said to be a colored man living near Rutledge, Ga., whose whole body, including his face, is covered with long, thick white wool. The wool on his body, it is reported, appeared when he was twelve years old, and was perfectly white then. He has a special fondness for sheep and often sleeps in their pen. The wool on his body grows so rapidly that he is blessed twice a year, and his fleece is sold.—Philadelphia Ledger.

A Possible Cause.

"Herbert is very indignant with you, Mack. What have you done to him?"

"Nothing that I know of—except that when he told me last night he never failed for compliments I told him he was wise, because he didn't have the right kind of bait."—Harper's Bazar.

Peat Bog Eruptions.

Herr Klinge has been studying the eruption of peat bogs and the stream of dark sand they give out. He rejects the explanation that it is due to excessive absorption of water by the peat, or that it is caused by exploding gases, but attributes it to land slips of the ground under the bog, and remarks that in Ireland the eruptions are most frequent in limestone formations with caverns and holes of underground water.—

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