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GRAHAM COUNTY, ARIZONA.

Location, Number and Names of its Settlements.

A Prosperous Section, Healthful and Productive—Homes in the Old Folks—Other Items.

SAFFORD, Graham Co., Ariz.
February 24, 1895.

Editor Deseret News:

We very seldom see anything in the News from our settlement; hence a few lines from this remote scenery often may be of interest to your many readers.

We are located almost in the southeast corner of the Territory, and vicinity tell us that we have the finest climate there is in the United States, not so oppressively hot in summer, nor is it very cold in winter. Our valley is about twenty-five miles in length from east to west, and varies in width from about three to twenty miles. The western part of the valley is occupied by the the Coolee Indian reservation; the eastern portion is occupied mostly by white people, with some new Mormons.

There are ten settlements in this part of the valley, beginning at the east in Bidwelville, including San Jose, the Mexican part of Solomonville. Five miles west we come to the county town of Safford, or Layton, or both; when during our leisure or evenings our postoffice matters we write Safford, but when speaking of our ward organization we say Layton. Still farther west three miles is Thatcher; thence three miles further take us to Central. Another three miles distant is Pima, formerly known as Smithville; this is about the largest town in the valley. Three miles further west takes us to the settlement of Matheson; nine miles further west we come to Ft. Thomas, lately abandoned by the military and now being rapidly settled up by citizens. Through the settlements above mentioned is located the main traveled road through the valley, including the Gila valley, and the Globe & Northern railroad, whose terminus is at present at Pima. Across the river on the north side of the valley are the towns of Graham, Bryce and Curtis; these towns are nearing more settlers, and in fact all the settlements of this valley have a capacity for more than double their present numbers.

Members of the Church in this, the St. Joseph Stake, number about 2,200 souls. The voting population of this county numbers something over 1,800. Politics has been Democratic, but the last November election went strongly Republican, with a sprinkling of Populists.

The demonetization of silver has thrown a damper on the mining interests of the Territory; money is scarce and the cry of hard times and high taxes is heard everywhere; yet improvement is steadily going on, and many fine, commodious brick buildings are going up in the different settlements. Notwithstanding the hard times there is plenty of the necessaries of life for both man and beast, and the awful cry for bread is not known in our land. Prospects never were better for an abundant harvest; the unusual amount of rain though the winter has made the farmer's heart glad. Large deposits of snow in the mountains north and east of us also promise to furnish water for irrigation through the ensuing season of the year.

Since the advent of the railroad in our valley last summer, which has cut off nearly all freighting by team, the people have settled down to home improvement. We are having considerable of the influence of a modern civilization that follows railroads and cattle ranches—the influx of saloons and the element that follows them, all of which does not seem to have a very desirable effect on many of our young people and some of the older ones also.

A few days ago we had a visit from our beloved brethren George Goddard and Karl G. Maeser, in the interest of the Sunday schools; they came in the valley on Friday and we have had a day, and during that time they held nine meetings, three in the evening and six in the day time, and in every instance the meeting houses seemed to be too small to hold the congregations. Most excellent instructions were given, and in several places expressions were taken with the uplifted hand as to whether the people were willing to abstain from the use of or practice of the "vain stripes," as Brother Goddard would put it, handling up his hands—he would count from his fingers—tea, coffee, tobacco, beer, liquor and round dancing; for this last article he would count one finger twice in order to bring in the sixth. In every instance most of the people made this promise, and quite literally so with the young, and I have been pleased to witness since then that it has made a good impression, and many are more determined than ever since that they will abide by these instructions.

The young people of our settlements have been very liberally entertained this winter, but there seems to be a class of the young men that were partially neglected. Hence the superintendents and teachers of our Sabbath school, by consent of our Bishop, took it in hand to give the folks an entertainment. The patriotic day, the 22nd of February, was selected for this occasion. All that were over sixty years old, and the widows, bachelors and single women invited, irrespective of age or conditions, other than that they were good moral people. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon all gathered at the Layton ward church house; a program was carried out—music, singing, recitations, speeches, etc. At 5 o'clock a large table was spread with the home fine and luxuries of life, and it was enjoyable to see our old gray-haired veterans partake of the repast heartily.

After the old folks had eaten till they were filled, those that were waiting on them filled another table, and after they had eaten all they desired, there was still more remaining which was distributed among the neighbors. We believe that good will come from this, and that our respect for the aged, teaching our children by example the noble principle of respecting the aged, for their sakes to be so individually to fulfil one of the sayings of the old Prophet Isaiah, that in the last day the young would behave themselves proudly against the aged, and the base against the honorable. We should forestall this inclination on the part of the young, if it is possible, hence other lesson and examples of liberality and generosity sometimes our aged veterans would be so liberale hereafter to the young, as well as during our (only one) jubilee, out respect to the aged.

A few cases of the dreaded croup, diphtheria, have made their appearance in our town, though it is said to be the milder form; no deaths have yet occurred. Generally, the health of the people has been good; some coughs and colds, but very few cases.

At present writing, fruit blossoms can be seen in various places throughout the valley; sweet and green fields look bright and green; gardening is being busily prosecuted, and ladies seem to be all ready to put on best spring garments.

The first issue of the Graham Guardian will come out next week, a new industry in Safford. This will be two weekly papers we have in this county. The Nugget is a weekly sentinel, and it makes quite racket; we generally get it the week day after it is printed.—Sheyenne.

AMERICUS FERRIS.

For Conference Traffic.

Efforts are being made to complete the Great Salt Lake & Hot Springs railway extension to Farmington in time to secure the conference traffic, and it is expected that the road will be in good condition by April 6.

Union Pacific Officials.

President Clark and General Manager Dickinson, who returned from the south last midnight, expect to move to the West interesting.

Returned from Tennessee.

Elder Heber C. Iverson, of this city, who has been laboring as a missionary in the Southern States, returned to his home a few days since having been recalled on account of the serious illness of his father, Orson Iverson. He left for his field of labor on June 28, 1893, and was assigned to the Middle Tennessee conference, where he labored 11 months before returning home. He reports a great change in the feeling of the people toward the Elders in that conference, and that the prejudice is being rapidly removed from their minds. The health of the Elders is very good. Elder Iverson has had good health during his absence, and has enjoyed his labors very much.

Music in the Schools.

Editor Deseret News:

I wish to present to editors in short minds to the teachers of southern Utah, if your valuable paper will admit space; it may interest other readers also.

We find by visiting the schools in what we call the country districts, or outside the city places, that it is an exceedingly rare thing to see music in these schools. We ask in wonderment why is this? Are these precious little souls having their first start in these small settlements less worthy our careful attention than those having the good fortune to be in the larger towns or cities, where special talent can be had? We also find that many of the towns of southern Utah that have enough population for an excellent choir, have had no instruction in music at all. Is it not high time that parents and teachers began to look well to that very important branch of school work? The open outdoor exercise in the pure, fresh air gives their lungs and throat of them are required to work, which makes fine musicians. These souls are nearly all interested to music or easily made so; and as God has given all His creatures on earth, with few exceptions, a faculty for song or chants, perhaps all if we could reach them. Shall these children of His, the highest of God's creatures on earth, be neglected in this all-important branch of education; and that, too, when it can be so easy to the cause of education and humanity forward? With a little effort on the part of the teachers these voices might be cultivated till beautiful songs from glad hearts ring out upon the pure valley air, and the echo reverberates from hillside to mountain top, and all nature seems to be charmed by the sounds of the notes of happy hearts.

I will here ask a question which I hope some earnest brother of the Southern Utonians will answer through the NEWS. Could not a good instructor be employed and part of the time at the summer institute be given to music? By so doing why could these little minds not be cultivated in that allimportant branch of education, which in many will otherwise be dormant?

JAS. H. BURROW.

PARAGUITCH, Utah.

Dr. Dalby Gone to Mexico.

City Physician Dalby has been granted a month's leave of absence by the board of health, and on Monday last he quietly slipped away to Mexico. During his absence Dr. Harrison will have charge of his city cases. Dr. Dalby is being accompanied in his peregrinations by Mel Hooper.

Cunnigre Tannery in Texas.

In the following notice of an important industry in which Utah people might by this time to be interested (the letter being sent by a friend who personally slipped it from an El Paso, Texas paper) will be prominently found the name of a former Salt Laker, Mr. J. W. Brown, who will be remembered as manager of the Bowe Tannery in this city:

"A valuable manufacturing industry has been successfully started on the east side in the last twelve months, viz. the cunnigre tanning establishment of the El Paso Tanning company. The company have found that the tan is so far superior to the oak bark grown that the demand for it becomes insatiable as no agent when used where the cunnigre tan can by any possible means be obtained. This tan grows extensively in this section of the country, and can be collected as cheap as the oak largely increase in productiveness. Comparative tests prove that the cunnigre tan is four times as strong as the oak bark, the actual test being that the same hides were shredded from two pieces of the tan that were shaking from 1,000 pounds of oak bark.

The claim as to the superiority of the tan is further borne out by reports from the tanners and also men who have had ample opportunities to judge as to relative merits. The tanneries particularly in the tanning company that the cunnigre-tanned goods are more better in the way of leather strength and wear and tear than goods otherwise tanned, and in the way of shoe leather the reports received are encouraging enough.

The company have a plant covering 1000 feet conveniently divided up, and with a capacity of eighty stretches per week, in this long six months a good business is the slaughtering work. Green hides are taken from the circle room into what is called the tanning room containing four large vats.

One is a lime water vat where the chemical rots the hair off the hides and then they are placed in a "tanning" vat the one lot of salt and finally are naturally stripped off by men with scraping irons. After the hides have been naturally waned in the adjacent vats they are immersed in a solution of the cunnigre tan in another room containing thirteen vats about 8 feet, the size being one and a half tons of cunnigre to each vat. The strength of the liquors is graduated, the fresh hides being first immersed in the weakest solution. This is done to prevent the leather from discoloration and cracking afterwards on exposure. The liquors are kept agitated by a mechanism, the device of Manager J. W. Brown, so that the solutions are maintained of uniform strength in each vat.

After the process is completed, the skins are taken out, dried in a dry room when the leather is to be used for harness purposes, or in the air when intended for sole leather. Then it is dressed. The company have facilities for grinding thirty tons of the tan per day and dry it in the open air more than in a kiln, as the heat process would weaken it. Three tons of the green tan make one ton of the dry. The waste stock is mixed with the dollar grade coal and wet blue scrapings, and the mixture is burned under the boiler for fuel. So it is seen the company for fuel is just dollars per week, and the real people are willing to take that out in trade. The men gatherers are paid five dollars per ton, and twenty men are digging most of the time. There is a fine drive well providing the finest water, which is a great advantage in the tannery. Every product from this tannery is salable.

The officers of the company are: President, L. W. Barber; vice president, B. F. Dougherty; secretary and treasurer, W. H. Hughes; manager, J. W. Brown.

For Diarrhoea.

G. Ayers, who was charged with assaulting Curtis Pelegri, has been convicted of disturbance and sentenced to twenty days' imprisonment, the initial charge having been dismissed.

Snowflake Stake Conference.

On Sunday, February 24, 1895, the quarterly conference of the Snowflake Stake convened in the Stake house in Snowflake town. Jesse N. Smith and Joseph H. Robinson, of the Stake presidency, were in attendance, also most of the High Council, Bishops of wards and other prominent persons in the Stake.

The conference gathered in session two days, holding four regular meetings and one Priesthood meeting, held on the evening of Sunday, the 24th. The time was interestingly and instructively occupied by about a dozen of the Elders. Many principles of the Gospel were duly taught, especially the Word of Wisdom, the proper observance of the Sabbath day, home industry and the more thorough cultivation of the soil. The people were reminded of the great necessity of saving division and to assist them in living proper lives, and the young were warned of the great danger of following the evil habits of the rough, wild element found in this western region. The meetings were administered and partaken of with apparent unanimity love and fellowship, and the reports indicated a very fair condition of the people both spiritually and temporally.

Respectfully,
L. M. SAVAGE,
Clerk of Conference.

B'nai Services.

Services will be held at Temple B'nai Israel on Friday, March 8th, beginning at 7:30 p. m. Mr. I. Kaiser will officiate and deliver a lecture. Music by the Wolfner choir.

The object of the meeting is to assist Mr. Kaiser in organizing a permanent sunday school.

In the Field.

The Ute Reservation Ditch company is the first incorporation to make its appearance in anticipation of the opening of the Ute reservation in southern Colorado. The company is to an means modest in its proposed field of operations, says the Denver News. The papers filed with the secretary of state call for all the waters in the Rio de los Pinos and its tributaries. The place embraces main canals thirteen miles in length. The company is capitalized at $100,000, and the incorporators will be M. Durango, Incorporators: J. E. Sewell, O. H. Shelmeth, Silas D. Morgan, J. C. Sullivan and T. F. Hayes.

Dismissed.

The charge of disturbing the peace preferred by Mary Reynolds against Mrs. Hatter has been dismissed, on motion of the county attorney, in Chamberlain Jennings's court.

Board of Public Works.

At a meeting of the board of public works held last night John Burke was appointed sewer inspector on First South between Eighth and Eleventh East streets, at a salary of $75 per month. The gravity sewer inspectors, whose salaries have been $75 and $75 per month, asked for a raise of $25 per month, which was refused without comment in the Council. An estimate of $2,75 for sidewalk work in favor of Frank Gerrigan, was sent in the Council.

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W. H. Gess, of Salt Lake, general manager of the Lehmi Gold Mining company, owns the Salmon City Aspenite, and with a very serious accident while out hunting last Thursday. He was started from their camp on Bohemian creek early in the morning and had gone a considerable distance up the canyon, and in trying to get a shot at a mountain goat he slipped and dropped his rifle, which did some damage. When the hammer struck a rock, discharging the gun, the bullet striking him just below the knee and ranging diagonally up through the leg, coming out just below the hip, horribly breaking up bones. Mr. Gess started to slide and drag himself back to camp, and becoming exhausted he was compelled to lie in the snow six or seven hours, and was almost dead from exposure when found by the friends.

Dr. Whitwell was summoned and dressed the wound. He will be brought to town as soon as he can be removed.

Chicago Money.

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AN OPINION GIVEN.

Recently Mr. J. D. Thomas, of North Dakota, visited the Shenandoah Valley, Virginia, and after carefully examining the country located in Winchester, he writes to Mr. V. Hickenlooper, Land and Immigration Agent, Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, Baltimore, Maryland, as follows: "I have been in nearly every state and territory of the United States, and am frank to say opinion that this valley surpasses all other sections in the Union. The lands are low in price, and produce profitable crops. I thank you for directing me here, and which more seeing pleasant and profitable homes to locate in this country."

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