

Maryvale reservoir, previous to a meeting of the company to be held in Salt Lake City on the 12th. The reservoir is a success, and the different irrigation companies in Sevier valley are already competing for the use of its waters. Irrigation water is becoming a serious question right here also, as very little snow is in the mountains and the days are warm. Frost has killed the apricots, but other fruit is safe as yet.

The missionaries, returned and going, held a very enjoyable soiree in the Twenty-second ward Monday, Elder Solomon, Bishop, presiding.

The following returned missionaries gave very interesting addresses: Elder Matthew Noall and wife, Elders Isaac Langton, George A. Horne and Alfred Ridges; also the following who are going on missions: William T. Noall, Samuel Garbett, Fred Langton, James Davis, Brigham Haslam, Julius Billeter Jr. and William Stonemar. Remarks were also made by Bishop Solomon and Counselor Arthur Winter. The following program was very creditably carried out after the opening exercises: Song by a quartette, consisting of Elders Noall, Beesley, Goodyear and Barber; a selection was beautifully rendered by Rose Solomon; comic song by William M. Clayton; recitation by Addie Solomon; duet in Hawaiian and English by Elders M. Noall and F. Beesley.

The people did not separate until after 11 o'clock when all had heartily shaken the hands of the departing missionaries and wished them God-speed to their several fields of labor.

The entertainment was got up under the auspices of the Bishopric of the ward and was very much enjoyed by all.
W. M. C. M.

In the closing moments of the Senate session Wednesday afternoon, the Governor's appointments to the code commission were withdrawn—not confirmed, as stated by mistake—owing to the senators expressing a disapproval of the choice made. The Governor has the right of appointment, and will exercise it in a few days.

Regarding the county government bill, Warner persisted in his opposition to any change, and the probability is that the Governor will allow the measure to become a law without his signature. A veto would probably be more damage than to allow the law as it is, and which the Governor says is an injustice to the State.

The Senate and House exchanged notes, each informing the other that it was through business.

The following communication was received by the Senate:

SALT LAKE CITY,
Utah, April 5th.

To the President and Gentlemen of the Senate—I have the honor to inform you that I have no further communications to make to you at this session. Permit me to extend to you my heartfelt congratulations upon the completion of your labors, upon the disinterested devotion to duty you have displayed, and upon the whole-some character of the laws enacted.

Thanking you in behalf of the people of the State, and wishing you God-speed to your homes and continued health and prosperity, I have the honor to be your obedient servant,

HEBER M. WELLS, Governor.

At 4:35 p. m., April 8, the April 5th session came to an end, and the Legislature adjourned.

A few days since, the case of the People's Canal company against the State of Idaho and the American Falls Canal & Power company, came up for argument before the honorable secretary of the Interior at Washington upon the application of the American Falls company and the State of Idaho for a hearing upon the allegation set up in the protests filed by the People's Canal company and the Hon. Fred T. Dubois and the Hon. Edgar Wilson. W. B. Matthews, attorney for the State of Idaho, appeared and made an argument in behalf of the hearing. General Michener, of the firm of Dudley & Michener, appeared in behalf of the American Falls Canal company and also argued in behalf of the hearing. Ben Rich had quietly walked into the court room and taken a seat in a quiet corner. After the arguments were completed by Messrs. Matthews and Michener, Mr. Rich suddenly emerged from his seat in the corner, apologized for the enforced absence of Colonel Hannaford, counsel for the People's canal company, and after protesting that it was his first appearance in public, delivered a very telling speech of about half an hour's duration. In his speech he depicted very forcibly and pathetically the condition of the hundreds of his friends in Idaho, who, by their hard labor, had constructed the People's ditch, and who were then stationed on the side of it with plows in hand and ready as soon as a decision was rendered, to begin to break ground. Mr. Rich did not forget, before he concluded his argument, to pay his respects to the American Falls Canal Co., and he concluded his remarks by stating, in his eloquent way, that unless the protests of the People's company were sustained the sagebrush would continue to bloom forever along the banks of the noble stream which flowed through the People's Ditch Canal. He wound up by again apologizing for this, his first appearance, in public as a speaker.

After the conclusion of his argument, Judge Brent, who represented the secretary, assured Mr. Rich that even if it was the first speech he had ever made he doubted very much whether Colonel Hannaford or any other lawyer could have done any better. General Michener also remarked that had this speech been made in some church asking for contributions, and if he could have passed around the hat before the speech got cool, he felt satisfied that it would have been returned full.

RETURNED ELDERS.

Elder Ephraim Yates, of Millville, Cache county, reached this city on his way home from a mission to the Southern States. He left this city on December 30, 1893, and was assigned to labor in the South Alabama conference, which then included the state of Florida. Last September the Florida Conference was organized. Elder Yates has labored the greater part of his time in Florida, although he spent several months in missionary work in Alabama. He met with excellent success, being well received by the people. The feeling towards the

Saints has greatly improved of late, notably since Utah became a State. In Columbia county, Florida, where Elder Yates has been the past five months, the people are specially kind, and himself and companion had not been refused entertainment once. In some parts there is much opposition on the part of certain preachers, but there are others who treat the Elders with marked courtesy and hospitality, displaying a Christian spirit in their conduct. Elder Yates has enjoyed good health throughout his mission.

Elders Alfred M. Durham and Thos. D. Adams of Parowan, Iron county, arrived in this city yesterday, April 13, returning from a mission to Friendly Island. They left for that part of the world on February 19, 1893, and report that during their absence they have enjoyed good health and had many opportunities of bearing their testimony of the truth of the Gospel. The missionary work there is chiefly among the natives, many of whom are glad to listen to the teachings of the Elders.

OLD CHIEF WASHAKIE.

Chief Washakie, of the Shoshone, is very much in earnest in his desire to punish Will Lamoreux and Cal O'Neal for the part they took in killing young Jim Washakie. The old chief takes his daily walk from the house over to the military post, but his head is bowed and his step measured by the weight of eighty walters which he carries on his shoulders. The most of his talk is concerning the murder, and he makes no secret of his demand for justice at the hands of the white man.

Poor old man! One by one his sons have met a violent death. His oldest, who was made war chief of the tribe, was killed in battle on the Sweetwater, near Burnt ranch, by the Sioux, in 1863. Another son was murdered at North Fork a few years ago, and still another was killed in the woods while chopping timber, and now comes the death of his favorite grandchild, the support and comfort of his old age. He has two more sons, George, who is known as anything but a good Indian, and Dick, a popular young lord, who is a sort of a Prince of Wales of the tribe.

Chief Washakie is an Indian whose word is good with everybody who knows him. Falsehood and treachery are not in his composition, and he takes pride in speaking the truth fearlessly at all times. For his sake it is hoped that Cal O'Neal and Bill Roberts, the two men belonging to the Lamoreux crowd who are not yet arrested, will be caught and suffer the full penalty of the law.

Captain Wilson, the acting Indian agent, is deserving of credit for his management of the Indians during the late excitement. The chief men of the Shoshone tribe expressed their confidence in him and show a willingness to be guided by his advice, and thus violence is avoided.—Rawlins, Wyo., Journal.

The other night James McCall, of Payson, attempted to peep in at a window of a room where two young ladies were taking a bath. The man of the house came in at the gate about that time and caught the intruder, who was arrested and fined \$15.