

cause men to do proper things for their own sakes? Let me observe at this point that for what the Anarchist club has done in this matter and for what little I have been able to do, no reward of any kind has been paid, promised, or is expected, unless the thought of the slumbering consciousness that legal murder is worse than any other being aroused is a reward; nor is there any bid for notoriety or purpose to be meddlesome just for the annoyance it may cause, in the proceeding. We object to the hanging of Hayes, at least for some time to come, when more than has been is developed against him, because we are built that way, probably.

The sovereign State of Utah, noble in its inception, grand in its progress and magnificent in its partially unfolded destiny, cannot afford to take the life of one of its citizens because a certain quantity of lawyers were "smarter" than others, or for any other reason short of complete, unmistakable proof of guilt which shall have been fully, fairly and squarely brought out. It is bad enough to do it then, but this is not the point. In addition to the circumstances shown and to be shown, which properly supported would constitute as perfect a *alibi* as any court or jury ever took into consideration, I would respectfully ask if the questions of motive, malice, incentive and opportunity have been given sufficient consideration? It does not so appear. The man's antecedents are not known to be bad; since living in Utah he has been a prospector most of the time, and nearly always busy at some lawful pursuit, taking small compensation when larger could not be got. He does not impress one as being at all redhanded, vindictive or desperate. I know that an unflattering tale of one's career at, prior to and after the commission of an offense with which he is charged, together with simple manners and a quiet and earnest but in no sense dramatic insistence upon one's absolute innocence are too often the means employed to conceal that which is going on within; but these to be successfully employed require not only an expert in the art of dissimulation but a person whose mastery over himself and lack of absentmindedness are so complete that no test, however severe, can cause him to betray himself. Without knowing or caring whether or not Hayes has ever been subjected to any such test, I desire to say most emphatically that he is no artist at anything; his ingenuities amount almost to simplicity; and he is either not guilty and thus the hapless victim of an awful combination of circumstances, or guilty in such a way that he doesn't realize it himself, as it appears to me.

It is almost incomprehensible that an accused person in this day and age of the world could be railroaded to the gallows in spite of the forms of law prevailing. It is the manifest duty of courts in such cases to see that the defense is adequate, that it is equal to the prosecution as nearly as may be, and I have no doubt it was thought this was attended to. It is also difficult to believe that the defendant's representatives were unable to cope with their antagonists, for one of them at least is known to be an attor-

ney of considerable ability. Probably the correct theory is that the defense were over-confident, that, looking over the ground, they could see nothing to justify any other verdict than one of acquittal, and the prosecution thus stole a march on them. Perhaps, like Grant at Shiloh when his forces were driven back and demoralized by the Confederates under Johnston, the defense were subjected to a rapid succession of surprises which could not be counteracted nor overcome at the time. No matter as to that; it is an occasion when the right should prevail, when substantial and undoubted justice should obtain; and the commonwealth expects that every man will as heretofore do his full duty.

Respectfully,

S. A. KENNER.

NOTES FROM LEHI.

LEHI, Utah, Dec. 26, 1896.—After nearly two weeks quarantine our town is said to be clear of disease, and everybody feels free once again.

Mr. and D. Mrs. Wilm, lost their little baby this week. It was buried Tuesday.

A fine boy lately came to the home of Mr. J. Woolstone; the mother is doing well.

It is reported that Mr. Joseph Wanless of Salt Lake and Miss Rachel Kirkham of Lehi will be the next on the wedding list.

Our school trustees have put up a new fence on the northeast school lot. Thanks to them—it was needed.

Our school will remain closed till after the holidays; then a new start will be made with a very large attendance.

On Sunday our Sunday school will hold promotion exercises, when a large number of pupils will be advanced, and a good program will be rendered.

Mr. D. Hitesman has just returned from working assessments on his onyx claims, and reports that he has some very fine slabs of onyx in sight that measure twelve feet in length.

Mr. John Beck has just finished a fine residence at his Saratoga Springs resort and W. L. Hutching will occupy his fine mansion next week.

Mr. Wm. Vaughan, our rushing coal agent, has worked up his business in one year so that he has been compelled to enlarge his sheds, and now has three men employed building and making room for him.

Brother H. D. Wilcox while gathering in his potato crop last fall, had his two little daughters assist him in picking up while he plowed. To day they are both sufferers with poisoned hands; so says the doctor. The eldest, little Ruby Belle is very sick, the youngest is not quite so bad. It is to be hoped they will soon recover. The family have the sympathy of all.

Sneak thieves and clothes line robbers are still at work; a few nights ago some one broke into Mr. J. Bick's barn where some trunks were left, and snatched themselves to the contents. Other dishonest persons have cleared several clothes lines of their contents.

Manager Cutler has gone to Washington, D. C., where he will represent our sugar factory before the ways and means committee, when the latter considers the sugar question.

Mr. Andy Austin, son of G. Austin, field superintendent of the Sugar company, has just bought out Mr. M. H. Anderson's home and with his young wife will settle down to life's joys.

The weather here is simply lovely—farmers are still plowing, rock haulers are busy and the good house wife is out shopping, while the merchants smile as their Christmas goods have been vanishing from sight and our bankers seem delighted to know that their coffers are filling up with good deposits.

Last week some hoodlums broke into the N. E. branch meeting house (known as Zion's Hill) and held high carnival with the organ, books and benches, breaking some of the latter. After some singing and playing upon the organ in tramp style, they blew out the lights and left.

The wedding bells are still ringing; this time Mr. G. Ball, son of William Ball, an old citizen of Lehi, and Miss Annie McNiel of American Fork, were united in the Salt Lake Temple. The reception was held at the residence of the groom's parents in Lehi. The young couple will make their future home in Eureka, where the young gentleman is working for the Bullion-Beck Co.

It is reported that Wednesday night, while Mr. J. Austin, Sen., was visiting one of his sons' homes, he was sent to return home immediately as he was wanted. When he arrived at his home fancy his surprise to find his son William, who has been absent for years and who now returns a millionaire.

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SUNDAY SERVICES.

President Angus M. Cannon presided over the services held in the Tabernacle on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 27, 1896.

The choir sang the hymn:

Praise to the man who communed with Jehovah,

Jesus anointed that Prophet and Seer.

Prayer was offered by Elder Henry Coulam.

The choir sang the anthem:

From afar gracious Lord.

Elder Howard Coray at one time scribe for the Prophet Joseph Smith, was introduced to the congregation as the first speaker. He said that he had had the privilege of living with the Prophet and knew something of his career. He was with the Prophet when he received revelations, and had the privilege of writing them. In his acquaintance and connection with Joseph he had noticed that he was a man of fearless character, Godlike in all his attributes and earnest in the work in which he was engaged. He was a man in whom all his associates had the utmost confidence, and in his company they always felt safe, no matter what sort of work they were engaged in. The speaker related instances of the Smith family history, and also showed the brotherly love which existed between Joseph and Hyrum. When the Prophet spoke to the people his remarks were so spirited and given with such zeal as to impress all his hearers with the divinity of his mission and to make them feel that he was indeed a man of God and his