

## LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

Elder C. D. Smith of Fillmore Millard county, called at the NEWS office on Friday, having recently returned from a mission to Great Britain. Elder Smith left home on June 8th, 1895. He says he met with success in the performance of his duties and that he enjoyed good health and returns home in that condition. He is spending the Jubilee in the city and after the big celebration is over he will return to his home.

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Minerva Olmstead, once Mirerve Blake, recently baptized, a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, wishes to find Flora Shipp and also to know who she married, because of their once being such intimate friends. Flora Shipp emigrated to Salt Lake City a number of years ago.

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Elder S. L. Swenson of Pleasant Grove called on the NEWS Monday afternoon and reported his return from the Southern States mission field. He left home September 27, 1895, and returned on the 23rd inst. The mission, he says, is progressing nicely, and the Elders are accorded good treatment at the hands of the people, and are generally in the enjoyment of good health. Elder Swenson labored in the state of Louisiana—a portion of the mission opened up October 28, 1895. He has presided over that branch since February, 1896, and feels that the way is opening for a good work in that locality.

In a room at 161 West Second South street the dead body of William Lipman formerly a tailor but more recently a vendor of Jubilee badges, was found between 9 and 10 o'clock Thursday evening. The man had committed suicide by taking a dose of strychnine.

Lipman was driven to despondency through a lack of money and with starvation staring him in the face. He was a stranger in the city and was arrested on the 20th instant for violating the license ordinance. This brought out a fine of \$10 which, however, was later reduced to \$4 on account of the man's straitened circumstances. The body was removed to the undertaking parlors of Joseph William Taylor.

Elder W. E. Rydatch of Provo, who was called to a mission to the Southern States and left for that field of labor on June 1st, 1895, returned to this city on the 23rd inst. and called at this office this morning, July 26. Brother Rydatch has been laboring principally in West Virginia and Kentucky, but has also visited several other states. For fourteen months he presided over the West Virginia conference. He reports that the mission in that part of the field is very prosperous. The Elders are well treated and people seem anxious to become acquainted with the principles of the Gospel. A new missionary field has just been opened up, through the instrumentality

of Elder Rydatch, in Montgomery, Alabama.

Priest A. Sinclair, special agent in charge of the Inter-mountain division of the Phoenix and Home Insurance companies and a man well known in this city, died at his home, 428 Fifth East street, shortly after 10 o'clock Friday morning. The cause was angina pectoris, an affection of the heart.

Mr. Sinclair was on the streets shortly before this morning's parade, when he took suddenly ill and was conveyed to his home under direction of the medical corps of the National Guard of Utah. His illness was of such a nature that skilled medical aid had no effect, and his demise occurred shortly after.

The deceased was about 60 years of age and a man of family. Several of his sons are connected with him in the insurance business, and they have been operating in this city for several years past. One of his boys is a bugler in a battery company of the National Guard. No funeral arrangements have been made as yet.

Joseph Burton, an electric line man in the employ of the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone company, was instantly killed about 6 o'clock Friday evening while at work stringing wire on Third East, between First and Second South. Three men were on the poles and Burton and Charles Pierson were on the ground carrying the wire. Burton took hold of a live wire and in an instant had received a shock that sent him to his death. His body, lifeless and limp, was carried to the residence of Robert W. Nicol, 269 east Second South and physicians summoned but they promptly announced that the unfortunate man was beyond all earthly aid.

Burton was 39 years of age and had been in the employ of the company for the past seven years. He had no relatives except a cousin. He is a native of Galena, Illinois and his remains may be sent there for burial.

Elder Charles A. Hickenlooper of Pleasant View, Weber county, made a call on the NEWS Friday and reported his return from the Southern States mission field, whither he went Sept. 27, 1895. Elder Hickenlooper says the conference is flourishing and the Elders are well received in all parts of the state. He had a good time and enjoyed his labor immensely, although he was honorably released to return home on account of having been selected as a counselor to Elder E. W. Wade, Bishop of Pleasant View.

Returning, Elder Hickenlooper visited Nashville and looked through the exposition being held there. He says the Utah exhibit is attracting considerable attention and although small it ranks well among those of other States. Commissioner George D. Pyper is doing good work and as there is much inquiry from visitors concerning Utah and the Mormons, he is kept quite busy attending to those duties.

One day last week as the Saltair train was drawing up on the pier to receive passengers for the return to the city an

accident happened that almost proved fatal or was at least very serious. Isaac Owen and his sister Ethel, both of Ogden, were standing ready to get on the train as it came up. They wished to secure a seat in a closed car and attempted to board the train while it was still going at considerable speed. In their anxiety to reach the seat they failed to notice that strong men were not daring to climb aboard.

Both reached the steps but Miss Owen was not strong enough to hold herself there. Her brother saw her falling, and taking her in his arms he partly lifted, partly threw her away from the car wheels upon the platform. In doing so, however, he pushed himself backward under the edge of the car. He instantly drew himself out as far as he could and thus prevented himself from being run over.

As the crowd picked the girl up from the platform where she lay prostrate she saw them dragging her or ther out apparently from off the rails. She thought ran through her mind that he was mangled, perhaps killed, and her whole nervous system broke down. Even after she found her brother unhurt she could not regain control of herself but sobbed bitterly. Some ladies who were sitting near her in the car made every effort to compose her and were at length successful. Neither Miss Owen nor her brother was hurt, but the shock was a trying one.

A fire occurred Tuesday afternoon in a barn behind the St. James' hotel on East Temple just below Third South street, and as a result three horses were killed and about \$1,000 worth of property destroyed. The fire was discovered by Morris and Lewis Scarlet and the alarm immediately turned in.

The half mile run was said by some to be a slow one, but the boys who turned in the alarm state that it was not more than three or four minutes until the department was on the spot. Soon after the arrival of the fire, the second department put in an appearance, but the sheds were completely destroyed.

About \$300 worth of stoves belonging to the St. James hotel were made worthless. Four horses belonging to Mr. Hobbs of the Rocky Mountain dairy, were tied up in the adjoining shed. Soon after the fire started two of the animals were cut to see and one tied out. The other later escaped but was so badly burned that it had to be shot. The remaining two were simply roasted to death. The cause of the fire was unknown.

During the progress of the fire bystanders were stricken with sympathy for the doomed animals whose pathetic wailing rent the air. It was a pitiful scene to watch the imprisoned beasts, beyond the reach of assistance, in the midst of the big blaze—being slowly burned to death. At times it seemed as though they were human beings pleading for help that was not and could not be given them.

Mr. George Woodward of St. George yesterday contributed fifty dollars to the Pioneer monument fund. Mr. Woodward is himself one of the original Pioneers and the contribution on that account is of special significance as indicating the public spirit and patriotism of that Spartan band,