

## LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

**NEPHI, Utah, June 15.**—Eric Peterson, counselor to Bishop Rasmussen of Levan, died this morning. His funeral will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow.

Elders T. J. O'Brien of Layton, Davis county and J. K. Nelson of South Bountiful, Davis county, returned Monday from missions to New Zealand, for which place they left Salt Lake, Dec. 9, 1893. Both of them enjoyed good health and found much pleasure in their labors. They report the New Zealand mission as being in a prosperous condition.

Sheriff Lewis is in receipt of a communication from Oscar Barton of Hanford, California, who is desirous of ascertaining the whereabouts of George Gates, who left Los Angeles some thirty years ago, presumably for Utah. His daughter is anxious to hear from him. Should anyone know of Mr. Gates, they are requested to communicate with Mr. Barton of the above address.

(Millennial Star, May, 27.)

The following named visitors from Utah arrived at Liverpool this morning: Bishop George Romney, Mrs. Vilate E. Romney, Mrs. Lucy Shaw and Miss Amy Ball of Salt Lake City, and Mrs. Harriet Jacobs of Lehi. Later in the day they proceeded to different parts of the country to see relatives and friends.

George W. Hall, a young man who became insane last week, died last Thursday, the immediate cause of death being epilepsy. The young man was only nineteen years of age and was the son of Joseph R. Hall who was drowned a few weeks ago. The funeral services were held at the Fifteenth ward assembly rooms yesterday afternoon, conducted by Bishop Elias Morris.

Denver Industrial Reporter: The master mind of the great organizer of this people, [the Mormons] Brigham Young, who devised the plans which have brought more happiness, contentment and prosperity than people ordinarily enjoy, can be traced in nearly all of Utah's development. The mining interests have not been developed as in other states, because the early policy was to give attention to agriculture, and a trip through Utah in any direction shows how thoroughly this policy has been carried out.

It transpires that "X A," alluded to in Tuesday's special dispatch from Denver to the NEWS was Prof. John J. McLellan of this city. His work, therefore, was the one that was "highly commended."

Today Prof. McLellan called upon Prof. Stephens, congratulated him on his success in winning the prize for the best music for the Pioneer Ode. He also ran over the music and said it was perfectly delightful and that the Denver judges evidently made no mistake in their adjudication.

Elder Henry A. Grover of Parker, Ida., called on the NEWS June 8th after having fulfilled a mission to the Southern States. Elder Grover left to

his field of labor Feb. 28, 1895, and has spent his time in the middle Tennessee conference where he reports the work progressing very favorably. The Elders have many friends among all classes of people and the Gospel message is being very kindly received. Elder Grover has had good health and enjoyed his labors. He brought home with him Elder Charles Collett of Vernal, Uintah county, who was forced to return on account of sickness after having served seven and a half months in the mission field.

**SALT LAKE CITY, June 10, 1897.**

To the descendants of the late Elder Erastus Snow, greeting:

You are hereby cordially invited to cooperate with us in a Jubilee reunion to commence July 21, 1897, which will be the fiftieth anniversary of the entrance into the valley of Great Salt Lake of the late Elders Orson Pratt and Erastus Snow of the Council of Apostles.

Yours truly,

N. PRATT, Chairman.

M. W. PRATT,

MILANDO PRATT, Sec.

Executive Committee.

By a decision of the State Supreme court, handed down late yesterday afternoon, Arthur Pratt has been reinstated chief of police. Judge Bartch delivered the opinion, which was concurred in by Chief Justice Zane and Justice Miner.

Pratt was removed from his position as head of the police department, by a majority of the board of police and fire commissioners, "for the good of the service." No charges were preferred against him, nor was he given a trial. Pratt applied to the district court for a peremptory writ of mandate, to compel the board to restore him to office, on the grounds that he was illegally deprived of his rights.

Your notice of the death of my brother, Alexander Wallis, in your issue of the 10th inst. needs correction. He was baptized into the Church in April, 1851, by Elder James Simons, at the Whitechapel branch of the London conference. He kept the conference house for a number of years, and there are hundreds of Elders who well remember him and his wife for their hospitality, kindness of heart and devotion to the cause, who would scarce recognize the description of him in notice referred to, copied from the Millennial Star. Please insert in justice to his memory.

JAMES H. WALLIS, Sen.,

876 W. South Temple Street.

Millennial Star, please correct.

Elder Cornelius Richardson of Plain City, Weber county, was a caller at the NEWS office Wednesday. Elder Richardson returned on the 4th inst. from a mission to the Northwestern States whither he went March 13, 1895. He labored in the states of Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Maryland and presided over the conference for over a year. The Gospel work, he says, is in a flourishing condition, and the Elders are warmly received and report a good number of baptisms. Four branches have been organized in Pennsylvania and two

Sunday schools established. The spring conference was held in a building owned by George G. Rock in Franklin county, Iowa, and the attendance was all the way from 1,500 to 2,000. Elder Richardson has had good health and returns home rejoicing in his labors.

**OGDEN, Utah, June 10.**—Ashby Stringham, secretary and treasurer of the Boyle Furniture company in this city, died at the family residence about 8 o'clock this morning. Consumption was the immediate cause of death.

The deceased was compelled to retire from business three months ago on account of failing health, but it was only about three weeks ago that his illness was considered immediately dangerous. He was 35 years of age, a member of Grand Lodge, A. O. U. W., and one of the most prominent workmen in the State. He leaves a wife and family, a brother in Bountiful, two brothers in Salt Lake and a number of relatives in other parts of the State to mourn his death, while a wide circle of friends will deplore his untimely demise.

Funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

An inquiry in the NEWS this week for Mrs. Ann Hammet Jackson came from Mrs. Brooks, her sister, through Mormon missionaries located at 25 River street, Providence, Rhode Island. In response, Mrs. Emmeline B. Wells, editor of the Woman's Exponent, gives us the information that Mrs. Jackson died at Alpine, Utah county, February 18th last. She was born April 11, 1824, in Broxbottom, England. She was baptized into the Church in 1840, by Elder Orson Pratt. Her parents were very much averse to the Mormons, and they kept her a prisoner a great portion of the time, to keep her away from the Saints. Occasionally she managed to get away and attend a Mormon meeting, but for seven years she was restricted of her liberty. Her parents thought they were acting for the best. She married, and her husband having received the Gospel, she was free to come to Utah, which she did. After the "move" of 1858 the family located at Alpine, where she resided up to the time of her death. Four children survive her, two sons and two daughters.

**IDAHO FALLS, Idaho, June 8, 1897.**

—The weather of the week ending June 7th, was very changeable, though generally favorable for growing crops. The early part of the week was cool and cloudy with light showers. A light fall of snow occurred in parts of the eastern southern section on the night of the 1st, followed the next morning in the more elevated and exposed places by a light frost which did no material damage to crops. The latter part of the week was, for the most part, clear and pleasant.

All crops have been improved by showers, but in most instances the rainfall was not sufficient to be of lasting benefit. Winter wheat is reported in a good condition, and late sown grain somewhat improved but still doing only fairly well. Potatoes and garden truck doing nicely. Alfalfa is growing rapidly, and in parts of the western section the first cutting will begin this week. All fruits are in