

FRAGMENTS.

CONGRESS meets again tomorrow.

MARSHAL DYER is expected home to night.

THOMAS OKRY, a vagrant, was fined \$30 in the Police Court this morning.

The Utah Legislature meets on Monday next, at the City Hall in this city.

The Young Brothers Company has issued some beautiful calendars for 1888.

THERE is a case of diphtheria in the family of Joseph F. Simmons, Twelfth Ward.

THERE was a terrible snowstorm raging at Park City today—the heaviest of the season.

REGISTRATION in Logan commenced yesterday for the next municipal election in that city.

A DEATH from diphtheria occurred today in the family of Mr. Lewis, in the Twelfth Ward.

DANIEL N. DRANK has been commissioned as constable for Wilson precinct, Weber county.

A FARMER's team ran away on Second South Street on Saturday night. It was stopped without damage after a lively race.

THE drawing of grand and petit jurors for the February term of the Third District Court will take place tomorrow morning.

BROTHER CHARLES J. THOMAS, having returned from his mission to Europe, is again at his old post at the east gate of the Temple Block.

In the suit of Henry Patten vs. Thomas Farmer, in Justice Burton's court, judgment by default was entered today, giving the plaintiff \$93.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon Probate Judge E. A. Smith and Clerk H. G. McMillan, began the drawing of 200 names with which to form a jury list for the Third District Court for 1888.

At the house in the Twenty-first Ward where a case of diphtheria has existed for some time, the patient is now almost entirely well, and the flag will probably be brought in to-morrow.

MR. PRATT, a very aged man, died yesterday morning at his home on the island. He was setting out of bed when he suddenly fell over dead. The cause, no doubt, was old age.—Logan Journal, Dec. 31.

The officers of the Primary Association of Salt Lake Stake will meet as usual next Sunday, January 7th, at the residence of Mrs. C. C. Clendenen, at 11 o'clock a.m. All interested are invited to attend.

YESTERDAY a boy lost a pair of night-placed skates given him as a Christmas present. Winter has lost its charms for him now. The person who found the skates can restore his peace of mind by leaving them at this office for him.

The house of R. K. Thomas, in the Seventeenth Ward, was quarantined yesterday. The reason for this is that four of his children are now with scarlet fever. No person in Mr. Thomas' home has been exposed to the disease.

THERE is a yellow flag flying at A. M. Musser's, on Canon Road. The case of sickness there is not far enough advanced for the physician to determine whether it is scarlet fever or measles, but the quarantine was done as a precautionary measure.

THE sidewalks were a sea of glass this morning. The wind blew vigorously and incessantly last night and this morning the snow had almost disappeared. The ice men and those who have just invested in new sleds will be the principal mourners.

DEPUTIES HOBBS and Watson arrested an old gentleman by the name of Ashman, deceased, a decree was made that due legal notice be given to the creditors of said estate has been given.

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FATAL SNOWSLIDE.

James Baxter Swept to His Death by an Avalanche.

On Sunday morning, near Park City, a snowslide occurred which has probably cost James Baxter his life. John Madden and Mr. Baxter were on their way to the Rochester mine, and as they were about to cross a gully, Madden looked up the hill at the snow and remarked to his companion that it appeared to be dangerous. He asked Baxter to remain where he was while he (Madden) went on ahead. The latter hastened forward, and had just got safely out of the way when a mass of snow about one hundred feet in width started down the mountain side, its velocity rapidly increasing, and Madden, glancing along the path he had just traveled, was horrified to see that Baxter had followed him, and was directly in the path of the avalanche as it came down with a terrific roar. The unfortunate man realized his danger when it was too late, and shouting goodby to his companion, was swept out of sight. Mr. Madden hastened for assistance, and about twenty men were collected and went to the scene. Up to this morning they searched and dug in vain for Baxter. Today five of the relieving party came into Park City and took back a supply of provisions. The men will remain at work until the body is found, for there is no hope that Mr. Baxter will be taken out of the snow alive. The heavy snowstorm in the Park materially retards the work.

"Diplomacy."

One thing is certain: The Home Dramatic Club is doing more of its power to please, move and thrill an audience. This fact is fully attested by its triumph last night and yesterday afternoon. At both the matinee and evening performances the house was full. Late comers in the evening found seating room only.

Seldom does a performance by the best traveling companies afford more complete satisfaction to the audience than did this last effort of our home troupe. "Diplomacy" is a piece worthy of the efforts of the most talented dramatic organizations.

There are no mechanical effects to help the performers, whose success must depend entirely upon their power to depict human feelings, thoughts and emotions by the art of acting. And yet the fine drama did not suffer in the hands of our local performers. On the contrary they gave it an interpretation characterized by careful study, correct conception and effective rendition. Mr. Spencer played "Henry Beauclerc" very finely. Mr. Young did himself great credit in the role of "Baron Stein," which is not by any means an easy one. Mr. White played "Count Odo" capably. But among the gentlemen Mr. Wells carried off the honors. His acting in the role of "Julian Beauclerc" was fine, powerful and impressive.

"Birdie Gummings as "Dora" did some really fine acting, especially in the accusation scene, at the close of which, as the curtain fell, the audience gave the lady and Mr. Wells a recall.

Edith, Clawson as "The Countess Ziska" was an ideal female diplomat, and played with marked effectiveness and a deep conception of the character, a very difficult one. Ivy Clawson as "Lady Henry Fairfax" acquitted herself very creditably, and Lucie Clarke in the character of "The Marquis de Rio Zira" though out of her line, succeeded very well. The minor characters were all well sustained. On the whole the cast was well balanced, and the performance was a finished one.

Probate Court.

Proceedings in the Salt Lake County Probate Court on Saturday:

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THE R. G. P. RAILWAY.

Its Articles of Incorporation Filed with the Auditor.

Some time since the News published an item in reference to the extension of the Denver and Rio Grande Railway, which contemplated severing the connection with the Heber and Hot Springs Western, and coming to Salt Lake City and on to Ogden by a more direct route, through the counties of Uintah, Wasatch, Summit, Utah, Salt Lake, Davis and Weber. Saturday the articles of association of the company for a road over the proposed route were filed with Auditor Clayton. The name of the new organization is the Rio Grande Pacific Railway Company, and the capital stock, \$8,000,000, represents the estimated cost of construction. The management is vested in a board of five directors, those selected for the first year being David H. Moffatt, John E. Dooley, Sylvester T. Smith, Walter S. Cheesman and Joel F. Valle; all except Mr. Dooley are residents of Denver.

The purposes of the company, as stated in the article, are: To locate, build, construct, complete, equip, manage, operate and maintain a line or lines of railroad as hereinafter set forth; to construct and operate a line or lines of telegraph and telephone in connection with said railroad, and as appurtenant thereto; and to establish, maintain and conduct an express business in, along and upon said line or line of railroad, and any other lines of railroad or lines of stages connected therewith; to purchase, acquire, own, hold and dispose of the stock and bonds of other railroad companies or construction companies in the said Territory of Utah and elsewhere, so far as may be allowed by law; to purchase any railroad or railroad property situated within the Territory of Utah, etc. The line of railroad to be constructed by this company shall commence on the east boundary line of the Territory of Utah, at a point between the Yampa Plateau on the north and the south side of the canyon of the White River on the south, which shall be most eligible for connecting with the railway line of the Denver & Rio Grande, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Colorado, and from such point on said boundary line running in a general westerly direction by the most practicable and advantageous route to the cities of Salt Lake and Ogden. The principal office of the company is Utah is to be at Salt Lake City, though the first meeting of the Board of Directors is to be held at Denver.

The names of the incorporators and the number of shares subscribed by each are as follows: David H. Moffatt, 600 shares; Sylvester T. Smith, 600; Jos. W. Gulley, 600; Walter S. Cheesman, 600; Joel F. Valle, 600; A. Hanauer, 1; J. J. Daly, 1; A. Keyser, 1; B. G. Raymond, 1; Lewis F. Kelsey, 1; J. K. Gillespie, 1; Thos. G. Carter, 1; W. H. Shearman, 1; Byrd Park, 1; John E. Dooley, 1.

THE DEATH RATE.

Report of Sexton Taylor on the City's Mortality.

Follows: is the mortality report for the month of December, 1887:

Abscess	1
Asthma	1
Cancer	1
Consumption	1
Child Rickets	1
Diphtheria	2
Dropsy	1
Fever (typhoid)	1
Hemorrhage (internal)	1
Heart disease	2
Inflammation of bowels	3
Lung disease (acute)	6
Measles	3
Paralysis	3
Pneumonia	3
Old Age	3
Not reported	3
Total	36

SEX OF DECEASED.

Males..... 18

Females..... 18

AGES.

Under 1 year..... 4

1 to 5 years..... 7

5 to 10 years..... 1

10 to 20 years..... 3

Over 20 years..... 17

NATIONALITY.

Utah, 15; other parts of the United States, 13; England, 2; Scotland, 2; Scandinavia, 2; Germany, 1.

JOSEPH E. TAYLOR, City Statistician.

In addition to the above Sexton Taylor furnished the following figures:

The total mortality for the year is 685, being 102 in excess of 1886 and 130 more than in 1885. The highest number of deaths from any one cause is credited to acute lung disease—84—which number is beyond all precedent.

Following in the order of highest numbers, the next diarrhoeal cases—mostly cholera infantum—81. Diphtheria follows with 43, old age, typhoid fever 42, heart disease 31, while consumption and paralysis are each credited with 19. The same number have died through accidents. Measles claims 12 victims, Bright's disease 11, whooping cough 9, cerebro spinal meningitis 9, croup 8, scarlet fever 7.

The following table will show the number of deaths from zymotic and other diseases during the past three years:

	1885	1886	1887
Lung disease (acute)	45	48	84
Consumption (tubercle)	22	11	19
Diphtheria	41	35	43
Typhoid fever	37	13	24
Measles	31	13	12
Whooping cough	9	1	9
Scarlet fever	6	4	7
Croup	8	5	8
Cerebro spinal mening.	8	5	9

In addition to the number—605, may be mentioned still births—33—making the total mortality of this city during the year 640, which will not be more than 20 by persons being brought from a distance who have died in the hospitals in this city.

The Theatre.

"Adonis" Dixey and his glowing and gaudy company drew a \$1,400 house to the Theatre Saturday night, they having arrived too late to appear in the afternoon. As a gorgeous affair, having neither pith nor point, it was a huge success. The ballet was really gorgeous and quite numerous, and the costumes were fine, but the real fun of the evening was in the imitations by Mr. Dixey, notably that of Henry Irving. The audience seemed to enjoy the whole performance greatly, and it would doubtless have taken well again.

Further Particulars.

Dillon, Montana, Dec. 30, 1887.—Passenger train 911, of the Great Northern, was wrecked on Saturday. It was delayed in consequence of a wreck north of Dillon, which happened in this way: The yard master in Spring Hill was switching train 13, a freight, taking out way cars and safe trucks, when the engine near the centre of the train. While doing this the hind part—14 cars—got away from the main body and ran some 25 miles down grade past Dillon, at the rate of about 35 miles an hour. When beyond Dillon another train, a freight, was coming down Apex Hill toward Dillon, meeting the loose cars. This train was a double header and as it was moving at the time, it was a difficult matter to stop the train. A fearful crash resulted. Fireman Patrick Sheehy was killed outright, his head being cut off. The engine was slightly bruised. The fireman and engineer of the second locomotive were severely injured. The wreck is fearful to look upon. How anyone escaped that was on the train is hard to understand. Engineers and conductors expected to live. Another fireman was hurt. The boiler head of one engine was cracked and it is a pretty well stripped. The other engine is almost entirely demolished. Several cars look like the real tin for match wood, and the others are not much better. A large force of men are clearing away the debris.—Ogden Standard.

Arrest.

Joseph Irwin was arrested yesterday by deputy marshals on the charge of unlawfully taking possession of sheep which were held for trespass. It is alleged that the sheep broke into the premises of a gentleman who held them for damages, and that Mr. Irwin peremptorily took possession of his animals. The matter will be vented before Commissioner Norrell tomorrow.

Special Notices.

Coal! Coal! Coal!

The following prices on Coal will be in effect on and after Jan. 1, 1888:

Coal, Delivered, At Yard	\$5.00
Rock Springs Lump	\$5.00
" " " " " " "	\$5.00
Pleasant Valley Lump	\$5.00
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Red Canyon Lump	\$5.00
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Mine Slack	\$3.00

Full car load rates delivered, 50 cents per ton less than above rates.

At yard 50 cents per ton less than above rates.

Special car load rates to Manufacturers and Smelters.

All yard stacks \$3.00 per ton at yard and 50¢ per ton delivered.

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AFTER THE HOLIDAYS,

when stomachs were overloaded with goodies, Faine's Celery Compound should be used. It will surely cure the indigestion and dyspepsia caused by the Christmas dinner, and drive away that out-of-sorts feeling. Just try it.

A QUANT OF LAUNDRY BLUE

FREE

to any woman sending her address during January. Diamond Laundry Blue sells at ten cents a package, each package making one quart of the best bluing. One package, as sample, free to any woman applying this month to Wells, Richardson & Co., Proprietors, Burlington, Vt.

CATARRH VERY BAD.

I had catarrh very bad and had to give up my work. I had used every thing I saw and nearly lost my nose with things that did me more injury than good. Some of Ely's Cream Balm was sent me. I tried it. In a week I resumed work am now completely cured.—M. W. Zielle, Ballardist, Denver & Colorado's Minstrels, San Francisco, Cal.

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