

Correspondence.

TWO DAYS' MEETINGS—ROOM FOR MORE SETTLERS.

RICHFIELD, Sevier Co.,
December 12th, 1873.

Editor Deseret News:

When I arrived in Richfield two years ago it numbered about fifty families, and to-day I think there are over 200, with plenty of room for more. We have a good co-operative store, presided over by Bro. N. M. Petersen, and co-operation in cattle, horses and sheep has been entered into extensively. A co-operative grist mill is near its completion. A road has also been made this summer through Clear Creek canyon at an expense of about \$9,000; and besides this, a great amount of private improvements has been made. We have an excellent Sunday school, presided over by Superintendent H. P. Miller, which numbers about 130 pupils and 18 teachers, and Bishop Wm. Segmiller has an evening class of Sunday school teachers, whom he instructs in theology. A day school will in a few days be started. Our Farmers' and Gardeners' Club has just had its yearly election, Bishop Wm. Segmiller was elected President and Chr. J. Kemp Secretary.

Last Sunday and Monday we had two days' meetings, presided over by President Joseph A. Young. The speakers were—on Sunday forenoon, Elders A. M. Musser and W. Dusenberry; afternoon, President George A. Smith; Monday forenoon, Elders—Peacock and Jno. H. Smith, Bishop A. K. Turber and President Brigham Young. In the afternoon a priesthood meeting was held, in which President Geo. A. Smith gave some excellent instruction. At the same time the Relief Society had a meeting, in which Sister Geo. A. Smith gave some very good instruction to the sisters. The society is presided over by Sister N. M. Petersen, and is full of life and energy, and doing a great amount of good. The teachings during these two days were excellent, and will long be remembered. President Young and party left next morning for the South.

We have of late had a whisky shop started here, but on petition of the citizens to the Probate Court it was stopped.

There are several new settlements started in the county, and there is at least room for 2,000 families more. Here are plenty of good land, any amount of water, and a most excellent climate; in fact, a good place for good Latter-day Saints.

CHR. J. KEMP.

SALT LAKE CITY,
Dec. 27th, 1873.

Editor Deseret News:

At ten o'clock on Christmas morning the children and teachers of the 15th Ward Sunday School, numbering about 300, assembled in the schoolhouse, to receive presents which had been placed upon a large Christmas tree in the center of the hall. The tree, besides being filled with a variety of things, was also illuminated with numerous wax candles, the room having been darkened to give better effect to the scene, which presented a very imposing appearance. In addition to the presents from the tree, a number of prizes were distributed. A plain gold ring was awarded to Effie W. Morris, daughter of Elias Morris, for the best essay on "The birth and mission of Jesus Christ."

There were two other competitors, Misses Maria Olson and Mary A. Jones, whose productions were praiseworthy and creditable. A beautiful album was presented to Thomas F. Howells, Jr., for an essay on the same subject.

Prizes were also awarded to the best singers, Miss Annie Jones and Arthur Davis being the successful competitors.

Supt. J. K. Hall took from the tree a box of emblematic figures representing the birth of Christ, and, on behalf of the teachers and scholars of the school, presented it to Sister S. M. Kimball, as a token of the esteem in which that lady is held by them. After receiving the present and making a few remarks Sister Kimball proceeded to arrange the figures, at the same time explaining them in a pleasing manner to the children.

At intervals the Sunday School Choir discoursed sweet music under the direction of their leader, D. A. Swan, to whom great praise is due for the pains he has taken to render the choir so efficient.

Before the presents were distributed James Moyle, on behalf of the committee and the school, presented an ivory handled walking cane to the superintendent, who received the same with grateful acknowledgments.

Bishop Hunter was present and addressed the children and teachers, expressing himself highly delighted with the morning's proceedings.

After the morning's entertainment the children re-assembled in the afternoon, to enjoy the dance, and to be regaled with various good things. A vote of thanks was given to Joseph Pollard (acting bishop) and the committee, for their exertions on behalf of the children.

In the evening the teachers and a few invited guests enjoyed themselves in the dance and thus was spent a day that will long be remembered by both old and young in the 15th Ward.

The names of those who composed the committee are: Sisters S. M. Kimball, R. Jones, Sarah Price and Sarah E. Olson and Brothers James Moyle, Thomas Howells and Henry Gardner.

Christmas Doings—Shoulder Dislocated—Christmas Tree—Ten Years in the Penitentiary—Fire Engine.

OGDEN CITY, UTAH,
Dec. 27, 1873.

Editor Deseret News:

Christmas day in this city passed off as quietly as any holiday that I can remember here since Ogden's early youth. Everybody in every part of the town appeared cheerful, happy and to enjoy himself on this celebrated day. There was no rowdiness, and the fewest "drunks" that I ever remember to have seen on any similar occasion. Re-unions and happy meetings, greetings of happy families, appeared to be the nature of the in-door celebrations; out doors sleigh-riding, which exhilarating exercise was kept up from early in the morning till late in the night. The few parties that were given went off peaceably. Only one accident that I could learn occurred on that day. Mr. Ralph Douglass, in company with some friends, took a ride out as far as Jones' Grove. While the sleigh was in motion Mr. Douglass attempted to jump out, when his foot slipped, he tripped, fell to the ground and dislocated his right shoulder, but fortunately broke no bones. He was taken home and Dr. Williams was called in, who set the bone in its proper place, and Mr. Douglass, though suffering much from pain, is doing as well as can be expected.

Last night a magnificent Christmas tree, erected for the occasion, was exhibited to a large audience in Woodmansee's Hall. The presents were very numerous, of great variety, and excellent in kinds and quality. After some sweet singing by the Episcopal Sabbath School children, "Santa Claus" (Mr. F. A. Shiels), who had "just arrived from the North Pole," clad in apparel suitable to the climate in that far off region, distributed the prizes to the numerous happy candidates. He was assisted in this labor by Rev. I. L. Gellough, pastor of the Episcopal Church in this city, E. H. Tallman, K. D. Brown, J. S. Lewis, John Restall, R. H. Van Rensselaer, and Samuel Burt. The prizes would average about three to each scholar; they cost about two hundred dollars, and the distribution occupied nearly three hours.

When the Probate Court met this morning to hear a motion for a new trial, in the case of Mingo, who had been convicted of murder in the second degree, Mr. McCutchen, counsel for defendant, withdrew his application. The court then sentenced the prisoner to ten years' imprisonment in the penitentiary.

Yesterday our fire engine was brought out and worked on Main Street, by a number of men under the supervision of Mr. George Pike. This gentleman tested it thoroughly, found it to be completely airtight, in good condition, and pronounced it an excellent machine. I expect that in a few days hence our Fire Department will be organized.

L. P.

Influx of Population—Weather—Distilleries—Coal.

ST. GEORGE, Utah,
Dec. 21, 1873.

Editor Deseret News:

We have had quite an influx of population both here and at Washington, of late—for this place a large force of men and teams to

work on the Temple, and for Washington, operatives for the factory. Prest. Young arrived in good health last week, and is settled in his own new house, which, though not finished, is advanced so as to be habitable. The road from the quarry to the Temple is fast being graded and macadamized over the soft portions by a large force of hands.

To-day in the Tabernacle Presidents Young and Geo. A. Smith spoke to a large audience.

The weather is still cool with a mingling of sunshine and shadow, with mountains white with snow around on all sides. At Bellvue, south of Black Bridge, the snow is a foot deep, at Kanab and Kanara still deeper, at Pine Valley from two to three feet deep, and on the road to Pioche in many places impassable for loaded teams, causing considerable suffering to those traveling the road. Fields of small grain planted early look splendid, and much is being put in with prospect for an unusual area for next year's crop.

U. S. Deputy Marshal Duncan recently made a raid in search of illicit distilleries in this region, and seized four or five lots of apparatus, supposed to have been used for distillation of spirits, two of which were valued at \$150 each, the others going a little higher in the scale.

We see numbers of loads of stone coal coming to this city, some from the newly discovered mines and some from the Kanara mines. Many teams are daily arriving from the north with grain and supplies for the hands on public works.

Feed on the range is unusually good, on account of late rains, and the prospect for an abundance of early wild flowers for bee forage was never better.

Our young men have organized an association known as "The St. George Historical Society," numbering thirty or more members, who meet once a week for discussions, lectures, or readings, each taking regular turns in the exercises. A very useful and interesting pastime, that the young men in all our settlements, towns and cities would do well to copy, and now, in the leisure days and long evenings, they may glean valuable information in research of books, form correct and gentlemanly habits among their comrades and in public, and gain confidence and the art of speaking and gracefully appearing before the public. How much better to work the brain and tongue somewhat, instead of the feet in constant mazes of the profitless dance!

CACTI.

Cache Valley.—Anders P. Rose writes from Hyrum, Dec. 24, as follows—

"This settlement is in a prosperous condition, spiritual and temporal. We have four day schools well attended, and also a Sabbath school. Good health prevails here. Our meetings are well attended, though the meeting house is small enough for seating the congregation. Bishop Liljquist directed our work last summer in the eastern mountains, which proved a great blessing to this community. Dry stock are yet feeding in the mountains to good advantage. Hardly any snow on the range."

—The Rev. James Richardson, while discharging on the duty of forbearance and the curse of an evil temper, related a legend of an oriental household who were tormented with an evil spirit, to avoid which they moved to a far off country. When they arrived the master gathered his family around him and said: "Are we all here?" And the little imp jumped out of the household goods and said, "Yes, we are all here."

LIST OF LETTERS

REMAINING in the Post Office at Salt Lake City, Dec. 28, 1873, which, if not called for within one month, will be sent to the Dead Letter Office.

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HELD FOR POSTAGE.

Daniel H Kimball, Buel City, Nevada.
Mrs Frank M Bates, Melbourne, Australia.
Lewellyn D Davis, Dry Canyon, Utah.
Mrs C O Smith, Springfield, N Y.
James Ellis, Paxton, Ill.
Mrs B S Van Buren, Haverhill, Mass.
Hans Hanson, Sandy Station, Utah.
Thomas Dalley, Brazil, S A.
Mary Barnett, Bountiful, Utah.
Mary R Hall, Salem, Oregon.
Mrs Eliza Shuefey, N Y City.
F A Perkins, Richfield, Utah.
M K Pellesean, N Y City.
Mrs A Ryram, Atchison, Kan.
Mrs Elizabeth McCann, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Persons inquiring for the above letters are requested to state when advertise.

J. M. MOORE, Postmaster.

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H. WADSWORTH, Agent.

DIED.

In Sugar-house Ward, Dec. 18, MITCHEL RAMSDEN, aged 62 years, 3 months and 14 days.
Mill Star, please copy.

In the 19th Ward of this city, Dec. 14th, of inflammation of the lungs, LYDIA MARTHA, daughter of Joseph E. and Rhoda Mullett, aged 7 months and 11 days.

In Sugar House Ward, Dec. 22, ELLEN TOPFIELD, wife of George Stringham, Senr.; born Nov. 26, 1811.

PRICE OF GOLD.

Corrected daily by Deseret National Bank
Buying at \$1.09; selling at \$1.11.

A HOUSEHOLD NECESSITY.—Editor Waupun (Wis.) Leader says:

"Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder has become with us a household necessity. It makes light and nice biscuit, which our wife, who has long suffered with dyspepsia, can indulge in without injury. Don't fail to use Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder, as, also, his Special Flavorings, Lemon, Vanilla, etc., as they are prepared by a practical chemist as well as physician, with special regard to their strength and purity. Ask grocers for them."

Let the People Speak.

MANHATTAN, Kansas,
April 8, 1873.

R. V. PIERCE, Buffalo, N. Y.:

DEAR SIR.—Your Favorite Prescription has done my wife a world of good. She has taken nearly two bottles and has felt better the past two weeks than at any time in the past two years. No more periodical pains; none of that aching back or dragging sensation in her stomach she has been accustomed to for several years. I have so much confidence in it that I would be perfectly willing to warrant to certain customers of ours who would be glad to get hold of relief at any expense. I have tried many Patent Medicines, but never had any occasion to extol one before.

Very truly yours,

GEO. B. WHITING.

Mrs. E. R. Daly, Metropolis, Ill., writes January 9th, 1873:

"DR. R. V. PIERCE.—My sister is using the Favorite Prescription with great benefit."

Mary Ann Frisbie, Lehman, Pa., writes May 29, 1872:

"DR. R. V. PIERCE.—What I have taken of your medicine has been of more benefit to me than all others and hundreds of doctor's bills."

ESTRAY NOTICE.

I HAVE in my possession a red COV, about eight years old, right horn looped, small white spot in forehead, switch of tail off, brand on left hip resembling 3.
If not claimed and taken away will be sold to the highest bidder, on Tuesday, January 6th, 1874, at 2 o'clock p.m., at the Estray Pound in this city.
JOSEPH HORNE.
Salt Lake City, Dec. 27th, 1873. ds&w 1

ESTRAY NOTICE.

I HAVE in my possession the following estray:
One three-year old red HORSE, no brands, square crop and upperbit off left ear.
If not taken away in ten days, will be sold at the Estray Pound in Provo City, at 12 m. on Monday, the 5th of January, 1874.
J. T. ARROWSMITH,
Provo City, Dec. 23, 1873. ds&wle

ESTRAY NOTICE.

I HAVE in my possession
One red roan COV, about five (5) years old, white belly and tail, sloping crop off right ear, horns turned in.
One yellow HORSE, about twelve (12) or fourteen (14) years old, left front and hind feet white, white spot on nose; saddle marked, very thin of (?) flesh, shod all round, no brands visible.
One red and white yearling BULL, upper half crop off right ear, under notch a d crop off left.
The above, if not claimed on or before, will be sold at the District Pound, near Cottonwood, on Saturday, January 10th, 1874, at 10 a.m.
J. R. MILLEN,
South Cottonwood, D. C. 25th, 1873. ds&wle