

passenger," who made fun of Mr. Jakobsen, manager of the railroad. Bjornstjerne Bjornson at once announced that he was the author of the libelous article.

In speaking of the companies which are developing the resources of the northern Sweden, the Verdens Gang says: "But we Norwegians lack the spirit of enterprise; we take no interest in, have no understanding of, or taste for industrial life, either public or private. The paper demands government support for large enterprises and for schools of a purely practical character."

DENMARK.

A new illustrated edition of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" will be published by Mackeprang, of Copenhagen.

Rev. Hoy, a young clergyman, has been called to the Danish Lutheran church of Hamburg, Germany. Rev. Hoy is earnest and energetic, and it is expected that he will be a power among his numerous countrymen in that city.

Mr. Karl Kuehler, a young German, upon whom was conferred the degree of Master of Arts at Copenhagen recently wrote an essay on the Faust legend which he dedicated to Prof. Dr. Wimmer, of Copenhagen, under whom Mr. Kuehler had studied Scandinavian. There is no reason for doubting the sincerity of Mr. Kuehler in this matter. But he had neglected to notify Prof. Wimmer of the dedication before the work was published, and as soon as it appeared Prof. Wimmer published a protest against the dedication. Many are inclined to blame the latter more than the former.

COMMISSIONER EMPEY'S REPORT.

Executive Commissioner N. A. Empey, after fully looking over the Utah exhibits at the World's Fair, and inspecting the building, and after reckoning the cost and the general showing, reports as follows to the Board of Territorial Commissioners:

Gentlemen:—I submit herewith a report, stating briefly the condition of affairs as I find them in Chicago.

I have given my personal attention to the conduct of the business of the commission since May 1st. I find upon investigation that Utah has both a worthy and creditable exhibit, and that we are receiving favorable comments from visitors and flattering mention in eastern newspapers.

As an advertisement of our resources our exhibit is such that a wonderful amount of good will accrue to the Territory as a result of our participation in the Exposition. Hundreds of visitors call daily to inquire about some special feature, and already a large number of people have gone out to Salt Lake, Ogden and other points to make a personal inspection of the resources represented here.

I find upon examining our several departments that we have done much better than it was first expected. I am gratified with what I hear from the mining department. Experts tell me that it is the most varied collection of minerals and natural products generally to be found in the great mineral building coming from any particular state or country.

Attention has been called to many

things which excite general interest among capitalists and others on the lookout for something in the way of new enterprises in which to invest their money. Our mining booth is constantly thronged with visitors, and the chief takes great pleasure in explaining the nature of the exhibit, and it is useless to say he always has an interested audience.

Our agricultural exhibit presents as fine a collection of grains and grasses as can be found from any other part of the world, and in quality and variety of agricultural products Utah has nothing to be ashamed of when brought into competition with the world.

The irrigation system which we exhibit is one of the most interesting features of the Agricultural building to people outside of Utah who are not familiar with irrigation. Hundreds of farmers come daily to examine the system, and when they see the actual products of the soil, the result of irrigation, on exhibition they go away declaring it is by far the most perfect farming system in existence.

Our village farm system also attracts many people, as Utah is the only place in America where it is in successful operation. Our wool exhibit has not been placed yet, but when it is I have no reason to think it will not be as good as any to be found on exhibition and in many instances it will be far superior.

Our forestry exhibit, while not as extensive as others, is still in keeping with the lumber industry of Utah, and is in every way creditable. The chief of the agricultural department has certainly gotten together in the Agricultural and Forestry building a collection of Utah products that does credit to the Territory, and is doing a wonderful amount of good in an advantageous way; in fact, I think we are more than already compensated for the expense we have been to in preparing the exhibit, and his assistants have performed their respective labors in a most pleasing and satisfactory manner.

Our educational exhibit is a revelation to most Eastern visitors, for the reason that it shows that Utah has a school system which, when perfected in all its branches, will be equal to that of any state. Our exhibit today compares with any of the Western states, and this is saying a good deal, because one thing is apparent in the educational department, and that is, that the West bids fair to excel the East in educational matters. The chief and his assistants in this department are to be congratulated.

In the Woman's building Utah has the most interesting silk exhibit to be found on the grounds. It attracts more attention, the material is of better quality and the workmanship is equal to the best. I wish to say that Mrs. Salisbury deserves the thanks of each individual citizen of Utah for her work in this department. Utah is pre-eminently ahead of any state in the Union on silk.

What we have in the way of a manufacturers' exhibit in the Utah building is most creditable in every particular and helps wonderfully in advertising the resources of the Territory. I only wish we had more.

Our building is credited with being

the most hospitable and home-like of any of the state buildings, and as each state is credited with excellence in some one or more features, I feel glad to know that we are accounted hospitable, and that visitors come to see us because they feel and know they are welcome, and then it is a pleasure to hear the comments of Utah people, all of whom say they are more than pleased with our building. Such comments ought to compensate us for many weary days of labor and worry.

Our ladies' board is one of the main stays of Utah's portion of the great Exposition. They have worked with untiring zeal, and their efforts have borne good fruit. The decorations of our building attest their handiwork, and I must say it has been a labor of love in the very strictest sense of the term. To each one of them from the president down I wish to publicly express the thanks of the commission.

From personal knowledge I am prepared to say that all money expended on our exhibits has been judiciously and economically expended, and, all things considered, I know it has been expended to the best possible advantage. I believe the vice president, who has recently been here, will corroborate this statement.

The officials and employes here have performed their respective duties to my entire satisfaction. The work is at times laborious and at all times more or less vexing, yet everything is moving harmoniously.

In conclusion I wish to advise every citizen of Utah who possibly can to visit the Fair. It is the event of a life-time, and more can be learned here in days by observation than can be obtained from books in years of study.

N. A. EMPEY,
Executive Commissioner.
CHICAGO, June 14, 1893.

RETURNED ELDER.

Elder Milton Bennion, of Taylorsville, who left on a mission to New Zealand on November 12th, 1889 returned home yesterday and made a pleasant call at the News office this morning.

On reaching his field of labor, Elder Bennion was appointed traveling Elder in the Waungarei district, a position he successfully filled for ten months. At the expiration of that time he was made presiding Elder. He filled this office until he was released to return home, December 25th last. Since that date he has been making a tour around the world, spending most of his time in Egypt and the various European countries. He also visited the World's Fair on the way home. Elder Bennion is in the best of health and spirits, and enjoyed his ministerial experience very much.

The case of Mrs. H. M. Johnson, who sued the Southern Pacific company for \$25,000 because of the death of her husband, who was jolted off a defective engine and killed August 14, 1892, ended at Carson, Nevada, on Saturday. The jury, after being out about two hours, brought in a verdict for the widow for the full amount. The case has consumed over a week in the Circuit court. The defendant requested a stay of proceedings for thirty days, which was granted by Judge Hawley.