

JUNCTION CITY NEWS.

A Resident of Pleasant View Returns from the San Juan Country.—Other Items.

Geo. Sanford, son of Farmer T. Sanford of Pleasant View, has just returned home after a three year stay in the San Juan country, to spend the winter with his father. He was seen by a representative of the Standard on Saturday, and in him he gave a few ideas of the country which is now so exciting the minds of gold seekers. When asked as to the truth of the reports as to the number of people flocking to the gold fields, he said: "I think the reports are exaggerated as to the number now in the San Juan and Colorado rivers, but I know that a few more people have flocked to the Henry mountains, located in Garfield county about sixty miles north of the San Juan placers. These mountains are far richer in gold than the Colorado or San Juan rivers. Placers are located on what is known as the Green River, and will yield from \$1 to \$10 per cubic yard, containing about a ton and a quarter of dirt. These mines up the creek from the placers in these mountains are rich quartz ledges where good claims have been located." I certainly think the Salina route is better than that of the Green River. The latter is about fifty miles shorter, but sixty miles of it passes through heavy and which, in the summer, makes the road almost impassable. The country is not as well settled. Water can scarcely be secured on the way. The rate of freighting, owing to the difficulty of the road, is three cents per pound on the Green River route, whereas from Salina it is one and a half cents a pound. I have traveled both routes, and for convenience and comfort, such as prospectors and diggers may expect, the Salina route is the better of the two. In the Henry mountains, where the placers have been found, though not in quantities to make it of any great value.

Pursuant to call, the Weber county World's Fair Association held a meeting in the city hall Saturday afternoon. As usual after name was called of the various managers for the city, and of the various committees, the following resolutions were passed: That the city of Ogden should show the interest in the work by sending in by their president, Mr. Wallace, \$25 to be used in purchasing the material for a certain for the Utah makers. After discussing the last matters of accomplishing the same before then the meeting adjourned.

Local contractors and builders are industriously figuring on the construction of the Southern Pacific ships and Engineer Fitzgerald is already at work on the plans. The company's engineers are also figuring on the plans for the purpose of determining upon the cheapest means by which the buildings can be erected. The proposed plans should reach Ogden today or tomorrow, in which case the work will begin at once on the foundations and piers are to be of stone, the walls being three feet thick, while the brick work will be two feet in thickness. The company intends to put in some special tracks near the proposed site in order to facilitate the delivery of the brick.

There was a large attendance of county teachers at the institute held at the institute yesterday. Nearly every teacher was present at both the forenoon and afternoon sessions. Professor K. P. Pate was in charge of the institute and the teachers were much pleased with the instruction. He illustrated the idea of teaching primary members and as an admirable plan for service in the day. The day was profitably passed.

Judge Miner had a very busy day yesterday in the Fourth district court and transacted much business of an important nature. The drawing of jury and grand jurors for service in the February term was postponed until Saturday next. A reference of equity cases was made.

Three cars of blooded horses from the stables of William Corbett, of California, arrived in Ogden yesterday, and as the animals were very fine they were unloaded and stabled at Dees' stables. The journey out will be continued this morning. The string includes some record breakers.

A small party of California miners passed through Ogden yesterday bound for the gold fields. Reports from the coast are to the effect that the people of that section are more excited over the recent discovery of gold than they are here in Utah, and several companies are outfitting for a trip into the new Eldorado.

Tomorrow afternoon the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Ogden Chamber of Commerce will be held to elect a board of directors for the ensuing year. Upon the board of directors elected at the coming meeting will devolve the duty of selecting a president and secretary.

The bank bonds of the \$50,000 issue just sold by the city, were received from the printer yesterday and will be signed by the mayor and recorder and forwarded to the purchasers. The city may not get the money before February 1st.

The insurance adjusters who have been at work nearly two weeks on the Hang Shing case expect to have their business completed by this evening. The loss will not reach \$10,000, for the reason that considerable of the stock was sold and undervalued.

A petition is being circulated and largely signed, respectfully asking the city council to give the library association a better location than the present in the city hall.

In the British Mission.

Arrivals.—On Sunday, December 11, the Glen steamship, Wyoming arrived in Liverpool, after a pleasant voyage of eleven days, having on board Elders Nephil L. Morris, Wilford K. Barnes of Salt Lake City, and Alfred Smithworth of Ogden, for the British mission; Kenneth H. Lewis of Logan, for the Swiss and German missions; and Richard N. Hill and James H. Hadd of Ogden, for the British and Swiss missions. All were well. The services for the mission proceeded on their way.

Appointments.—Elder Alfred Smithworth is appointed to labor as traveling Elder in the New Zealand Conference. Elder Nephil L. Morris is appointed

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Religious services were held in the Tabernacle, Salt Lake City, Sunday, January 8, 1898, Elder Joseph E. Taylor presiding.

The choir sang the hymns commencing:

Hark! listen to the trumpet: They sound for Zion.

Prayer by Elder Orson A. Wesley.

The choir sang:

Again we meet around the table: Of Jesus, our redeeming Lamb.

The Sacrament was administered by the Priesthood of Center ward.

President Joseph F. Smith delivered an interesting discourse, showing how wonderfully the Lord has fulfilled His promise in blessing the land of Zion to His children.

The choir then sang the anthem, "O God be merciful," and benediction was pronounced by Elder John Henry Smith.

PATRICK HENRY.

Hon. W. H. King Gives a Fine Lecture on That Subject.

There was a large attendance at the theater last night to hear Mr. King's lecture.

The speaker occupied an hour and gave a very interesting account of the great orator, claiming for him the high honor of being the John Baptist of the American colonies.

No person hearing the lecture could go away with the opinion, generally entertained of Patrick Henry, that he did not amount to much. The lecture was listened up by an occasional audience of the audience in good humor.

Mr. King is a speaker of excellent ability. His talk is offhand, easy and fluent, and his language well chosen. He had a critical audience, too, that responded to his "points" with hearty applause.

The announcement was made that next Monday night Mr. A. T. Schneider, of Salt Lake, will lecture on the life of Thomas Paine, one of the men who figured in the history of America.

Independence. Mr. Schneider is a student of the life of Paine, and predicted a fine lecture from him.

Miss Christine Lawson sang "Calvary" in a manner that was highly pleasing to the audience, which testified its appreciation with hearty applause.

John Held, accompanied by Mr. A. H. Worth on the piano, gave two selections on the concert that delighted the listeners, and there were many expressions of satisfaction at the general success thus far of the Star course of lectures.

A POLICEMAN'S PHANTOM.

A Laughable Mistake by Officer Schultz on Saturday Night.

The recent sensational stories about mail box robberies have aroused several members of the police force at least a semi-suspicious condition.

Among those who experienced a kind of awakening up was good natured but constantly-picked-off Schultz, who declared that if any robber was rash enough to break into one of Uncle Sam's mail boxes on his beat that he would be given free board and lodgings at the penitentiary for at least eight years to come.

The resolution it seems has caused Schultz no end of chagrin and discomfort. On Saturday night his fellow patrolman as he went on to his beat fully determined to make a capture. While he was patrolling about side of a dark alley and around corners, his gaze was mostly centered upon what he thought was a mail box. There was a dark shadow on one side of a peculiar box at which he looked long and steadily. Victims of a glorious shadow in his eyes until they pained and dazzled him. More than this, his colleagues are cruel enough to assert that he crept stealthily upon the object, which had attracted his undivided attention for so long, only to find that he had been deceived. The box was a fire alarm box and the shadow was the result of a beam of light from the Moon coming in contact with it.

Schultz has been buying cigars for the entire patrol force for two days and is still laughed at.

ANDREW BIGLER SUICIDES.

Financial Troubles Given by Himself as the Cause.

Special Telegram to the News.

LEHMAN, Jan. 9.—Andrew Bigler, an old and respected citizen, and the great horseman of Ogden, committed suicide at his home at Mendon yesterday afternoon.

He shot himself through the heart with a shotgun, touching the trigger with a stick. He was found dead in the evening by members of his family.

He left a note stating financial troubles as the cause. Inquest today.

AGAINST GALEAZZI.

He Arrests Two Citizens and Is Informed by the Court that He was Not Being His Duty.

There was a rather lively scrimmage in the western part of the city yesterday afternoon. The aggravating cause and principal participant was Galeazzi, the ubiquitous and persistent income tax collector. According to the evidence adduced at the hearing this morning before Justice Ovi, Galeazzi apprehended the owner of a valuable cow and insisted that the tax should be paid. A couple of citizens who heard the demands of the tax collector advised the owner not to pay the tax, saying it could not be legally collected on Sunday. The result was a quarrel which ended in "dual" placing the man under arrest.

Commenting on the case Justice Galeazzi said: "The court is willing to protect an officer, but where he goes out of the line of his duty, as it is

Police Court.

Justice Ovi this morning fined five men \$2 each for driving faster than the regulation speed allowed by law; also two females for leaving their tennis outfit.

Only three drunks were arraigned this morning as a result of the arrests made for violation of the Sunday law yesterday. Two of them were sent to jail for five days, while the third was allowed to go under a suspension of sentence.

James Clark, J. M. Martin, James Wilson, Samuel Cowardin and Edward Copeland were arraigned for vagrancy and pleaded not guilty. The case was continued until this afternoon.

Earl Cook was convicted of cruelty to animals and was fined \$5.

Who Robbed the Mail Box?

Chief of Police Paul and Captain Donovan and their men when questioned as to whether they have obtained any clue as to who robbed the mail box on State street on Friday night simply shake their heads, looking puzzled, and answer in an indefinite sort of manner. The officers are completely at a loss as to who did it. There was so much littered while on the box. They say that they do not believe it was possible to do the work as claimed without attracting the attention of people residing within a few feet of the spot. Next to the petrified mail box the police look upon the mail box robbery as being the greatest.

FIRST TRIP TODAY.

A Green River and San Juan Stage Line Put in Operation.—The "Navy" Expedition.

The following dispatch was received today: The Green River and San Juan stage line started on its first trip today. Calling houses have been established all along the route. The Dandy Crossing ferry can transport one hundred passengers daily.

From Dandy Crossing to the San Juan is a good wagon road; passengers will be put through from Green River to San Juan in four and a half days.

Prospectors are flocking in fully equipped from San Juan, Henry mountains, Green and Colorado placers. The local gold excitement continues unabated; every able man is working on the Green River hills. The river is stocked for winter and prospectors are taking out from \$100 to \$2,000 per day in sight of the railroad. The formation is almost identical with a mountain river in California. Old miners report coarse gold on bed rock. Three hundred dollars in dust will be shipped today to Salt Lake and Denver.

Another dispatch from the New York San expedition says that the road from Green River to San Juan via Dandy Crossing is in good condition. The distance from Green River to Dandy is 100 miles, and Dandy Crossing to placers on San Juan is 100 miles. The trip can be made by wagon from Green River in six to seven days. Tom Farmer, of Green River, is prepared to take care of all parties desiring to reach the gold fields. He will furnish horses and teamsters and all supplies. The rate from Green River to the San Juan river for parties of four will be about \$15 and for parties of seven about \$10.

The following was received from Green River this afternoon:

The excitement over valuable placers on the Green River still continues. Prospectors are staking every promising bar both up and down the river. A party has just come in with a lot of gold. The gold will go to Salt Lake for assay.

An outfit left for the hills at Wheeler's ranch, eighteen miles south, this morning. There have been several small boats in great demand and every possible conveyance pressed into service. Green River placers are being explored by mail and wire as to the accessibility and value of the placers. Supplies of every description can be obtained here. Every man in the vicinity has claim stakes driven. Augers and hydraulic machinery are in use. The Henry Mountain road is being improved. The water of the river is not so low, and snow and the river free from ice. Plenty of water can be readily obtained and the bars made to yield big returns. The Henry Mountain road is being improved. The water of the river is not so low, and snow and the river free from ice. Plenty of water can be readily obtained and the bars made to yield big returns.

More Room Wanted for the inmates of the County Poor House.

The present accommodations at the County poor-house are a great eyecore to Salt Lake citizens, who think that the sooner a change is made in the existing arrangements the better it will be for the health and comfort of the unfortunate inmates.

Mr. Hamberger paid an official visit to the institution named on Friday last, and ever since then his mind has been considerably preoccupied. At the crowded state of the place. There are at this time forty-six occupants, while there is provision for thirty-five only. Thus says the new selected poor creatures are huddled together in a way that should not be. He intends to "engineer" unless the grievance is soon remedied.

IN OLD MEXICO.

A "News" Correspondent Sends the Season's Greetings.

Office Despatch News.

I have just been informed from my chambers, to be reminded that the first hour of a new year has dawned upon us; 1898 is being celebrated by the Mexicans who have been watching the old year out and new one coming.

to. The Catholic church is now my present lodgings, and is a large old-fashioned edifice, is kept very white, and with its Moorish dome on one end and a steeple on the opposite, it is by far the most conspicuous building in this most oriental city of 6000 inhabitants. From a distance it reminds one of a small temple. This was the place of a large gathering on the last evening of 1897, watching for the opening up of 1898. No doubt this is a prevailing custom, and I was aroused with music, bell ringing, the firing of small arms and the booming cannon of the Mexicans in Rosalia, district of Camargo and state of Chihuahua, as recently under the domination of Spain. I believe it is the custom of Mexico, more especially of the Catholic profession which numerously abound in this republic, to watch the old year out and the new year in. Yesterday, the spring day of 1898, the sun's rays when shining upon our thermometer indicated the mercury up to 102, but it retired down to 70 within the two-foot walls of a Mexican adobe flat-roofed house.

While thus awakened by the sweet strains of music my soul was moved to begin the new year 1898 with prayer and thanksgiving unto the Creator of Mexico and of the world, where nearly 4000 years ago began a race of inhabitants who became very numerous, numbering about 15,000,000, and whose history has been lost, only to be brought to light by the youth who has been praying in a silent room.

The town clock has just struck 11, the music and burning of powder ceases and I drop the paper until morning, when I will resume, closing now, wishing the readers of our old time friend, the pioneer DESERT NEWS, to whom extends the writer his cordial regards for the past year, and a happy New Year to each and to all.

Christmas eve was celebrated at the Catholic church, where the idea of our Savior was represented. The manger was there and the Babe, and the ox and the straw. Death and the resurrection were also represented. Satan, the old dragon, was one very conspicuous character, and was the most fearful and hideously attired with horns, a large mouth like a beast, great teeth and claws, all being quite enough to frighten almost any person with only ordinary nerve. Indeed, one of our party, returning from the solemn yet frightful scene—near midnight was so deeply impressed with what he had witnessed, that his shadow from the dim moonlight so terrified him that he has not yet recovered from his nerve shock.

Many of the Mexicans are credulous and such scenes as above mentioned are designed to bring them into submission to their revered fathers and priests, and thus to lead them to remind them of Christ, and the dragon to cause them to fear the devil and sin.

The Mexican is benevolent. He will divide his cigarettes to the last. All are inveterate smokers, women, women and children like smoke and so do their houses out of their open doors and holes where women should be, and sometimes where the chimney should come through the roof. Many of the houses in the country places are more like smoke houses, so are the cars. Custom gives a great way, and it is polite to smoke either in or out of company with them. When drinking is indulged in also. I have seen their generally extended while in a railroad car until the last draught has been sipped, and newly opened bottle, passing it around to strangers as well as near friends. I have also seen them divide with each other their food and even convinced that they are merry, easy-going and care little for tomorrow. Withal they are polite as Pancha—in some districts are more so than others.

Exceedingly great suffering has been endured because of excessive dry seasons for the past few years. Much beautiful land, both as regards country and climate, lies waste for want of Utah's high mountain reservoirs of ice and snow, which had been melted. There has been trouble and disappointment because the great ancient Conchos river, an unusually good water supply, is now fearfully low. At this late date it is found that twenty miles of canal, instead of nine miles will be required, which will delay the new hoped-for city for a longer period of time.

The conductor of one of the up trains from the city of Mexico showed me a fine basket of superior looking strawberries which were picked on the first day of January, 1898. They were gathered 200 miles north of Mexico city. There certainly is a great variety of climates in this country.

The female population, "excepting some of the modern cities," are of fine form, healthy and robust. There are

thousands of pretty faces, of rich color, long lashes, and dark eyes, no-people, black as jet, and with long, lustrous black hair. Under the tangle of tresses is many a Venus, the curve is unknown only as introduced and of recent years) and nature seems to perfection. With ladies of high degree, the Spanish mantilla of black or white lace still does a fascinating duty in place of the hat or bonnet, and the Spanish custom prevails from shoulder to high-necked pointed slipper. The middle classes wear a black tulle, a shawl which is both wrap and head-gear; the lower classes and Indian maidens wear in the same way a scarf of cotton, usually blue or brown; this is the release. Ladies embrace each other at meeting, and also on the cheek. Near friends, male and female, on meeting greet a hug and pat each other on the back. On parting they say "adios," good-byes.

There are dunes in Mexico. They call a dune "an lagueta." It is a small mound of sand and bottom, the lightest trousers and the widest hat. Men of all classes wear the same. Coats are almost unknown, except among the better classes. For shelter and favorite part of a costume is the sombrero. A Mexican may go bareheaded and wear cotton pants, but he'll have a thirty dollar hat if he can get it.

My present visit to Mexico will only be a brief one, and I shall return to Utah's most lovely mountains. Could we in Utah only enjoy the sublime climate of Mexico—it could not be surpassed throughout the United States and choice lands of America. "For it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountains of the Lord's House shall be established, the top of the mountains, and all nations shall flow (either) unto it." Isaiah second chapter.

RAMON ROSALES, Chihuahua, Mexico, Jan. 1st, 1898.

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