

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

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THEATRICAL.—It was a gratifying sight—the large audience yesterday evening at the Theatre. Mr. McKenzie's benefit was a great success. The comedy of "Rosedale" is a pleasing dramatic production, always sure to win the favor of any audience. The acting throughout was praiseworthy and careful. Mr. McKenzie rendered the character of Elliot Grey in a natural, simple, unassuming manner. Mr. Waldron played Miles McKenna effectively. Miss Delle Clawson displayed a great deal of genuine talent in her delineation of Arthur May. Miss Adams made a very good Rose Leigh, and the Tabitha Stork of Mrs. M. G. Clawson was quite a remarkable character. Of the others we have no space to speak at length, they all exerted themselves to do justice to their parts and succeeded. The comedietta "When Women Weep" was excellently acted by Mesdames Scheller and Colebrook. Messrs. Graham, Lindsay and McIntosh. Mr. McKenzie made a good, little speech, after being called out at the close.

This evening a most interesting program is presented by the Management, rich in contents and amusing in substance. Madame Scheller appears as "La Sonambula," and will sing several beautiful songs and dances. Mr. Waldron plays Edmund. The celebrated cushion dance is introduced into the first act. This entertainment, choice in itself, will be followed by the performance of the Salt Lake Minstrels. We shall not praise them in advance, but suffice it to say, that Mr. Add Weaver is among them, and he is a tower of strength for any minstrel company. We have heard them all spoken of highly. A good band of negro minstrels is certainly a great attraction for Salt Lake City and from what we have gathered we judge their performance will be a great success. Let everybody go and give the Minstrels a warm reception. "The Broken Sword," a very interesting, sensational drama is in active preparation. The preparations for "Pauvrete" are also going on in a satisfactory manner, the materials for the grand avalanche scene are accumulating fast, and Messrs. Millard and Baker are raking up their brains constantly to produce this scene with startling effect.

FATAL ACCIDENT AT OGDEN.—Bro. J. A. Jost, writing from Ogden City on the 19th instant, sends us the particulars of a sad and fatal accident which happened in that city, on the morning of Wednesday last, to a Mr. Ruy, a merchant of Virginia, Montana. It appears that the unfortunate gentleman was in the act of seating himself in the coach for this city he accidentally trod on the lock of his shot gun, when the contents were discharged, lodging in his right thigh. Mr. Ruy was removed into the Ogden House when medical assistance was procured, and every attention paid him by Mr. Borum, of the Ogden House, and Mr. Hedge, a friend who had accompanied him from Virginia, but all efforts to alleviate his sufferings were unavailing. Dr. Anderson of this city, was sent for and arrived there on Thursday noon, and thinking the amputation of the limb the only chance to save life, the operation was performed, but Mr. Ruy gradually sank, and died five hours afterwards. He was buried in the Ogden cemetery on Saturday afternoon.

THE ST. GEORGE JUVENILE.—We have received No. 1 of the *St. George Juvenile*, published at St. George on the 15th instant, Joseph Carpenter, Editor and proprietor. The Editor says "We do not start the publication of the Juvenile for any speculation in the least, but for the benefit and amusement of ourselves and the young." This new literary venture is very juvenile in appearance, we may say very infantile, for we can hardly conceive how it can be smaller, it being a Lilliputian when compared even with the *Cactus*. And if "ourselves and the young" can find amusement in the *Juvenile* all we will say is that they can be easily amused.

FROM THE MUDDY.—Brother T. G. Lewis, who left the Muddy on the 14th instant, and arrived in this city a few days since, says that when he left, the settlers were putting in their grain, and that a good breadth of wheat was being put in. Most of the missionaries appointed at the October Conference had arrived; others were on the way. He met some on the Black Ridge, and some at Buckhorn Springs, between Beaver and Fillmore. Many of those who had left that part of the country had returned. The Indians are peaceable in Southern Utah.

SAN BERNARDINO.—The San Bernardino *Guardian* contains an article in favor of the cultivation of the mulberry and the propagation of the silk-worm in that valley. The climate of San Bernardino has been pronounced by competent judges, it says, one of the best in the State for that business.

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NEW TOPOGRAPHY.—One of our eastern exchanges, the *Washington Star*, informs its readers that "a telegram from St. George, three hundred and fifty miles south from Salt Lake City reports that the Navajo Indians have commenced depredations on the Rio Virgen, in Colorado." The last clause of this sentence is a kind of geographical starter. There is no question but the Virgin empties into "the Colorado," but to confound the river with the Territory of the same name is making a new feature in the geography of the west. A carefully prepared map of this vast and yet unknown country—that is, unknown to the great world—should be compiled and published for the benefit of geographical students.

ILLUSTRATED PERIODICALS.—Bro. James Dwyer has laid upon our table *Harper's Weekly* for the 26th, *Harper's Monthly* for January, 1899, and the first number of *Onward*, Mayne Reid's new magazine. The two first mentioned are well known. The first number of *Onward* presents a very handsome appearance. It is printed in clear type, on good paper, and contains 96 pages of reading matter. Among its contents we notice "The Lost Sister," "Christmas Day in a Dead-wood," "The Murd of the American army," "Things worth thinking of" besides several other original articles, reviews of books, etc. The publisher's price is thirty cents per number, or \$3.50 per year. It and almost all other magazines published in the United States or Great Britain can be obtained of James Dwyer, news agent, Post Office buildings. Those wishing to subscribe for the *Onward Monthly* would do well to bear in mind that James has been appointed agent for the sale of that journal, by Messrs. Roman & Co., the publishers.

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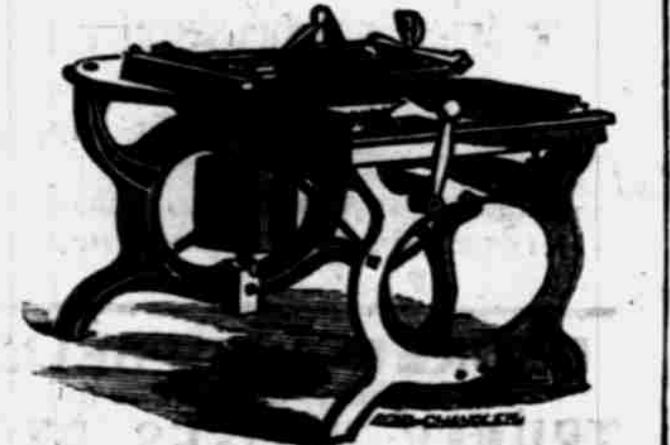
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