

"Recently the editor of the *Christian Register*, finding it would be too late to send a letter of congratulation to the London *Inquirer* in regard to its jubilee, sent a telegram by cable as follows: 'Third epistle of John, 13-14,' which, being interpreted, reads as follows: 'I had many things to write, but I will not with ink and pen write unto thee; but I trust I shall shortly see thee, and we shall speak face to face. Peace be to thee. Our friends salute thee. Greet the friends by name.'" Could any delayed congratulatory message be more briefly or more happily expressed than that?

#### ANOTHER WINE GLASS INCIDENT.

THE pretty little story of ex-President Cleveland and the wine glass reminds one, by reason of the contrast, of the story of Charles XII and his wine glass. The former refused to take the proffered glass and drink, while the great Swedish warrior and hero took the cup and saved his life. Charles was a fugitive, on his way from Bender to Stralsund, pursued by Russian spies who overtook him at an inn. They were just going to apprehend him, when he seized a decanter of liquor and filled some tumblers, inviting his pursuers to drink with him. Since everybody knew that the valiant king never touched a drop of anything stronger than water, the ruse threw his captors off the scent. The Russians supposed that they must have captured the wrong prisoner, and he soon found an opportunity to continue his hazardous journey unmolested. The royal hero was spared to fall from a bullet among the barren hills of Fredrikshald.

#### A PACIFIC CABLE WANTED.

THE erstwhile much talked-of cable between San Francisco and Honolulu, to be followed by an extension to New Zealand and thus completing the circuit of the globe, seems to have fallen into complete "desuetude;" certainly it is seldom spoken of of late, and yet it is one of the most important commercial projects before the world of enterprise. With it completed, Puck's proposition to put a girde round the world in forty minutes could be discounted several minutes in an emergency; and for all the enlightened nations, as well as some that are not enlightened, to be brought into instantaneous communication with each other would surely be an achievement worthy of occupying the proud place of rounding out this century of scientific development.

There are now 143,011 nautical miles of submarine cable, in 1168 sections. The greater part, in fact nearly all, of this vast stretch of electrical conductors is manufactured on the banks of the Thames, but France will soon have two cable works in operation and Italy already has one. Perhaps the United States may begin it as an "infant industry" in time to supply the North American and Australasian Telegraph Company with what materials it will require for the purpose of establishing communication with the great trans-Pacific empires. The name herein appearing is our own invention; but we cheerfully donate it without charge to the first organization obtaining a

charter for the purpose spoken of, with the hope that it may not be permitted to go much longer without having something tangible to apply it to.

#### DEATH OF LUCY M. SMITH.

In the death of Sister Lucy M. Smith, which occurred this morning, after an illness of two weeks, at the home of Apostle John Henry Smith, in this city, the family lose a beloved associate, the community an honored member and the Church an early and most steadfast adherent.

Sister Smith was born February 9, 1817, at Bethel, Oxford county, Maine, and was the daughter of Lucy Bean and Josiah Smith. On August 12, 1837, she was by baptism received into the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, of which she has always been an active member, abounding in faith and good works, cheerfully accepting her share of the trials of the people of God because, like the Saints of ancient times, she esteemed the reproach of the followers of the Gospel "greater riches than the treasures of Egypt."

Sister Smith came to Utah in 1849, her husband, the late President George A. Smith, having been with the Pioneer camp and returning to Winter Quarters, with the others, for their families.

#### RETURNED ELDERS.

Elder S. K. McMurdie, of Paradise, Cache County, Utah, called at the News office last night having recently returned from a mission to Great Britain for which part of the world he left his home September 8rd, 1890. He labored constantly in the Birmingham Conference, England, and enjoyed his ministerial duties very much. He returns in fair health and excellent spirits.

Elder Thomas F. Welch, of Morgan City, Morgan county, has just returned from a mission to England. He left home on October 8th, 1890, and has labored during the whole time in the London Conference. He visited the counties of Surrey, Sussex, Berkshire, Wiltshire and Hampshire, and met with moderate success. He was well received by those among whom he labored and comes back to Utah in excellent health, having had both a pleasant and profitable experience.

Elder Welch crossed the Atlantic on his return in the steamship "Wyoming," which was detained in quarantine in New York bay for a period of thirteen days, with five additional days on Fire Island.

Elder Thomas O. Stanford, of Albion, Idaho, returned to this city on Sunday morning last, from a mission to New Zealand. He left home on Nov. 10th, 1889, and labored in the Walkato district during the entire period, with the exception of one month, which was passed in the Hauraki district. Elder Stanford was very kindly received by the natives, particularly in the Hauraki district, though they seemed to be very indifferent in regard to the Gospel. The prospects in the Walkato district are said not to be very encouraging at the present time, due chiefly to the influence of the Maori king,

who has an intense hatred for all white people.

Elder Stanford has had quite a spell of sickness during the last six months, but has now quite recovered. He brought home with him the remains of Elder Otto Chipman, of American Fork, whose lamented death was recorded in these columns last week.

THE names of Russell, Carroll and Grinnell appear on the Democratic state ticket in Massachusetts. This would go to show that the "I" box in that party's case is well filled.

THE largest book ever known is owned by Queen Victoria. It is eighteen inches thick and weighs sixty-three pounds, and contains the addresses of congratulation on the occasion of her jubilee. Rather a tidy volume for the royal matron to take in her lap for perusal to the doting grandchildren clustered at her knee.

#### DEATHS.

RIDING.—At Panguitch, Garfield Co., Utah, Sept. 23, 1892, Annie May, daughter of Alfred H. and Mary E. Riding; born May 13th, 1881.

SKEWES.—In this City, Oct. 9, 1892, after a lingering illness, William H., son of the late Wm. Skewes, aged 35 years.

FRECKLETON.—At Eureka, October 8th, 1892, of brain fever, Jane Orr, daughter of John O. and Jessie Freckleton, aged 9 years and 5 months.

REINSMAR.—In Salt Lake City, Oct. 10th, at 5 o'clock a.m., Allan, infant son of Nettie L. and John Reinsmar, of inflammation of the bowels. Born Oct. 14, 1891.

JOHNSEN.—In this city, the Fourth ward, October 4th, 1892, after an illness of six months, Lars Johnsen. Deceased was born April 11th, 1838, at Christiania, Norway.

BACON.—William, born May 24th, 1823, a Birmingham, Derbyshire, England; died of paralysis at Salt Lake City, September 30th, 1892. He leaves three sons and three daughters to mourn his death.

PETERSON.—October 7th, of heart failure, Andrew Peterson. He was born in Calmar-lane, Sweden, December 23, 1831; baptized into the Church in the spring of 1856, and emigrated to Utah in 1864.

SCHUPPBACH.—At Park Valley, Box Elder county, Utah, October 2nd, 1892, of inflammation of the bowels, Rosa, daughter of John U. and Rosa Schuppbach; aged 3 years and 6 months.

PAPWORTH.—At No. 225 West Fifth North Street, Charles Elmo Papworth, after an illness of one week. Deceased was aged 2 years and ten months and was the son of Richard and Elizabeth Papworth.

WALKER.—Of typhoid pneumonia, Olive May Walker, daughter and only child of Edwin A. and Lavina Walker, born in Deseret, Millard county, September 4th, 1877; died at Riverton, Salt Lake county, September 20th, 1892, at 5 o'clock a.m., aged 15 years and 10 days.

HUNTER.—September 17th, at Heber, Apache county, Arizona, of paralytic stroke, Mary Hunter, widow of the late James Hunter of American Fork, Utah, and daughter of George and Janet Robertson. Born September 2nd, 1832, in Bannockburn, Shropshire, Scotland. She was a faithful Latter-day Saint.

MARTIN.—Elizabeth McKendrick, wife of Robert G. Martin, died at Marion, Cassia County, Idaho, Oct. 4, 1892, of child birth. She was born at Tooele City, Utah, June 24, 1863. She leaves a husband and four small children and a host of friends. She was a kind wife and mother and a faithful Latter-day Saint.

SMITH.—At Sandy, September 24, 1892, Annie Elvira, wife of Joseph Smith, after an illness of four days.

The deceased was the daughter of Lachoneas and Annie Hemmenway. She was born at Corn Creek, Millard County, Utah, Oct. 12th, 1870. She leaves a husband and a young babe. She was a faithful Latter-day Saint during her life.