

like, he came to the conclusion that he did not want any and left empty handed, with the exception of one hand out. The Justice charged him \$25, also \$15 for contempt of court because of his refusal to testify in another case.

Bad Accident.—Mr. Chas. Crismon, Jr., met with a bad accident, at the Crismon coal mine, day before yesterday. It appears that he was engaged in attending to some matter at the foot of an incline on which coal cars are run upon rails, and one car on the incline accidentally cut loose and went down at terrible speed. Luckily for Mr. Crismon in its descent it struck an upright beam, snapping it in two, the car being thus prevented from dashing full against him and crushing him to pieces. On hearing the noise the workmen rushed to the spot, and found Mr. Crismon under the car with one arm broken, and considerably bruised about the body. His injuries were attended to by Dr. Benedict, and he is now able to be around.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, DEC. 18.

Confirmed.—It will be seen by our dispatches that the Senate of the U. S. has confirmed the nomination of Geo. A. Black as Secretary for Utah. Better have George than a worse fellow.

He Got It.—Mr. John Sholdebrand was the fortunate individual who drew the first prize painting of "Sentinel Rock," Yosemite Valley, by Mr. G. M. Ottinger, at Savage's Art Union drawing, this afternoon. It is valued at \$50.

Forgery Trial.—To-day A. F. Delano was tried in the Third District Court on an indictment for forgery and uttering a forged note, with intent to defraud. The case was given to the jury shortly after two o'clock.

Iron Received.—A car load of iron has been received by the Street Railroad Company for the South Temple street extension, but we are informed by Superintendent Arnold that tracklaying cannot be proceeded with until the arrival of the bolts and spikes, which are with another car of iron, supposed to be on the way.

Pickpockets.—About 11 o'clock on Wednesday night as William Evans, painter, was passing along Second South street, an unknown person suddenly darted towards him, snatched away his silver watch and gold chain and ran off at full speed. The watch is new, has nickel works and is worth \$35. "St. Imier," the name of the place where it was made, is engraved on the works.

"Nolle Prosequi."—In the case of the People, &c., vs. Abraham Rasin, indicted for indecent exposure of the person, the district attorney submitted a statement to the Court of what he expected to prove, being that the exposure took place before two persons, and the attorney for defendant came forward and showed that such a case did not constitute an offence under the statute on which the indictment was founded, as it related to acts of open or public exposure. The Court sustained the view of the defending attorney, and the district attorney entered a *nolle prosequi* in the case.

Obsequies of the late Mrs. Alice Clawson.—Yesterday afternoon, at two o'clock, the funeral services of the late Mrs. Alice Clawson, wife of Mr. Hyrum B. Clawson and daughter of President Brigham Young, were conducted at the residence of the mother of the deceased. A large assemblage were present on the occasion, consisting of the husband and children, the mother, the numerous brothers and sisters and other relatives of the departed, and friends of the family. President D. H. Wells and Elder Wilford Woodruff delivered appropriate discourses, after which the remains of the respected lady were taken to the private burying ground of President Young, where, after prayer had been offered at the place of burial by Bishop E. D. Woolley, they were interred.

Deceased leaves behind her in the hearts of those who knew her a most kindly memory. She had the natural instincts of a true lady, her many amiable qualities being, throughout her life, almost proverbial among her acquaintances, the circle of which was very wide.

Jack Beegan Escapes.—The history of Jack Beegan has been so interwoven with the criminal sta-

tistics of the Western States and Territories that nearly everybody in these parts knows him by reputation. Last Tuesday he was convicted in the Third District Court of robbing one Sharp in this City about two years ago, and yesterday a jury of the same Court brought in a verdict against him of guilty of manslaughter, as stated in the News. Early last evening he requested that he might be allowed to go to a certain place in town where he said he had some clothing, that he might get a change of linen, &c. The request was granted and he was accompanied by deputy U. S. Marshal Griffith, the acting bailiff of the Court. The two stepped into Lollins' saloon, where they "took a drink." While there, "Jack," who is as agile as a cat, bolted to the rear of the saloon, through a back door, out into the air and over a board fence, into the back yard of the Saddle Rock Restaurant. The marshal drew a pistol, pursued and got on the fence. Beegan's wits being sharpened with a desire to breathe once more the air of liberty, he placed Mrs. Wagoner of the restaurant, between him and the marshal, making her a shield for his own person, and in this way passed into the establishment.

Griffith descended from the fence and returned through the saloon at full speed, pistol in hand, with a view of intercepting Beegan, at the front. In running through the saloon the marshal tripped up and fell sprawling upon the floor. On regaining his feet he discovered that Beegan had vanished, and since then, so far as we have learned, no tidings have been received of him. We are credibly informed that another deputy U. S. marshal, as well as Griffiths, was in the saloon when Beegan escaped.

Later in the evening William Kirby was arrested and taken before U. S. Commissioner Toohy, on a charge of aiding Beegan to escape from the custody of the U. S. deputy marshal, it being alleged that he stuck out his foot as Griffith was running through the saloon, and that this was the obstruction over which the officer stumbled and fell. The commissioner held Kirby over to the grand jury of the March term of the Third District Court in \$10,000, and in default of which to stand committed to jail. He was lodged in the city jail last night for temporary safe keeping. Some time during the night Marshal Maxwell appeared at the City Hall and demanded a receipt for Kirby from the latter's temporary custodians, apparently a somewhat extra demand to make from parties who were retaining the prisoner as a matter of accommodation to the marshal. Recent circumstances show that when prisoners are under the Marshal's own care, not only a receipt but something that would be more effectual would be necessary to cause him to produce them when they are wanted. Kirby was delivered to the deputy marshals by the city officers this morning, when they called for him. This makes the second escape of Beegan from the U. S. officers hereabout, but he never got away from the local officers, in whose custody he has been for nearly two years.

This way of U. S. officers going into saloons and drinking with felons, who are in their custody, is not an elevating or officer-like development.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY, DEC. 19.

Personal.—J. H. Mountain, Esq., Western Passenger Agent of the Chicago & North-Western Railroad, was in town to-day, and left again this afternoon.

Littell's Living Age for Dec. 12 contains "Life of Bishop Patteson," "Far from the Madding Crowd," "Saxon Studies," "Valentine and his Brother," "The Shah's Diary in England," "In the Rue Froide," "The English Gospel," etc.

Received.—Monthly Weather Review for November, 1874, being a summary of the meteorology of the United States for November, as determined by instrumental and other observations at 450 regular stations and other points of observation. With three war department weather maps.

A Surgical Case.—Yesterday a very large vascular tumor on the lower border of the right side of the ribs, was very skillfully removed by Doctors Benedict, assisted by Drs. Fowler and Hamilton, from Mrs. Joseph Pitts, of the Sixth Ward.

It had been growing for a number of years. After removal it weighed several pounds, and covered a space by measurement eight inches by five inches. The patient is doing well.

Reduced.—Last evening Wm. Kirby, placed under bonds of \$10,000, or to stand committed to answer to a charge of aiding the escape of Beegan from a U. S. officer, asked, through his attorneys, Burmester & Stout, for a re-opening of the examination, with a view to obtaining a reduction of the bonds, which was granted and proceedings in the case were resumed before commissioner Toohy, and terminated this morning, when it was decided to reduce the bonds to \$5,000.

"The Golden Circle."—This is the title of a new work, published by S. Brainard's Sons, of Cleveland, O., being a collection of choice piano music, consisting of marches, waltzes, polkas, schottisches, galops, redowas, mazurkas, piano forte pieces, dances, four hand pieces, etc., etc., forming a choice selection of over two hundred *morceaux* for parlor or drawing-room use. The work is printed in clear type and on good stout paper, is strongly bound and is sold at the exceedingly low price of \$2.50. It can be obtained at the music store of Calder and Careless, of this city.

Christmas Entertainment.—We acknowledge complimentary invitations to a musical and dramatic entertainment to be given in the Sixteenth Ward Sunday School on Christmas afternoon, commencing at two o'clock. From the programme before us those who attend may anticipate a rare treat on the occasion. Besides the musical selections by the band and choir, and several fine duets, trios, recitations, comic songs, &c., are the following: Juvenile dramatic pieces from the best authors; "Jemima's Novel," "The Six Virtues," "The True Way," "Lord Dundreary's Visit," "A Life's Lesson," "Fashionable Requirements," "Practical Illustrations," "The Stupid Servant," the whole to conclude with the new and laughable Barletta of "Scandal."

In the evening a sociable will be given by the Superintendent and teachers of the Sunday School, for the same purpose.

We do not question the salutary influence of literary entertainments of this character, when under judicious direction; and, while the very commendable object of aiding one of our most vital interests—that of the Sunday School—is attained, we are also gratified that the young people engaged therein derive material benefit from the necessary drillings and discipline in an educational point of view.

District Court Proceedings.—I. S. Watterman vs. W. H. Lee; plaintiff moves for judgment, which was objected to by defendant. Cause referred to D. J. Toohy, to take testimony and report the same and his finding to the court. Plaintiff allowed to take testimony before referee without further notice.

United States vs. Lysander Gee; defendant was arraigned and pleaded guilty to an indictment for willfully and unlawfully receiving illegal votes of persons. He was sentenced to imprisonment for one month.

Geo. W. Crowe was sworn as a deputy U. S. Marshal for the Territory of Utah.

A jury was empanelled and sworn to try the case of the People, &c., vs. John Murphy, on an indictment for assault with intent to kill.

The trial was in progress this afternoon. It is the result of the difficulty between the Bingham Canyon & Camp Floyd Railroad Company and Mr. Murphy, on account of the railroad being constructed over the latter's claim and close to his mine dump. The prosecution showed that Mr. Murphy fired three shots from a gun in the direction of some of the railroad men, and the evidence for the defence was about to commence to be given shortly before two o'clock.

Disastrous Runaway.—This morning a horse and light wagon, belonging to Peter Gillespie, were standing in front of the Tithing office building, inside the wall, when the animal became frightened by the antics of a couple of young men who were playfully tussling with each other. As it started, a small boy caught the bridle, and attempted to stop it, but the brave little fellow was tossed on one side as quick as

thought. T. Roberts, a compositor of this office, next seized hold of the horse and in his attempt to stay its career came near being crushed against the wall and run over, only escaping ultimately by darting between the west leaf of the south gate and the wall, at which point the wagon box was thrown off. As it was, Brother Roberts was injured in the right arm, where he struck the wall, and was also slightly hurt in the lower part of both legs, where he was hit by one of the wheels and the box.

The horse with running gears attached dashed down the side walk on the east side of East Temple Street and, the ground being hard and smooth, made comparatively little noise in its course. Unhappily its approach was not noticed by Brother William Stuart and his brother Daniel Stuart, who were engaged in preparing the ground opposite the store of the latter, immediately south of Squires' barber shop, for the putting down of a piece of plank side walk. William Stuart was picking the ground, in a stooping posture, with his head inclined northward, while Daniel was about a couple of rods farther south, facing in the opposite direction. The runaway ran full tilt against the first named person, sending him a distance of fully a rod, and running clear over him.

The other gentleman was also knocked down, and, for a few moments, was rendered insensible. He soon recovered and found his brother prostrate and apparently terribly injured. The unfortunate man was carried into Squires' barber shop and Dr. F. D. Benedict was sent for and attended to his injuries, which are very severe and dangerous, three of his ribs being crushed in, the left shoulder bone badly fractured and his head considerably cut and bruised, besides the great shock to his system generally. When being examined by the surgeon he appeared to be suffering terribly. He was conveyed to his home in the 19th Ward, in a carriage. The advanced age of the unfortunate man is considerably against the probability of his speedy recovery, he being sixty-six years old.

Mr. Daniel Stuart is himself exceedingly astonished at his own escape from injury. He says that when the runaway struck him he was thrown down as if he was a feather, and did not know till afterwards what it was that ran against him.

The horse continued down the sidewalk past the Deseret National Bank corner, and nearly ran into a street car that was standing on the track. At this point several bystanders rushed up and secured it.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY, DEC. 21

Gone to St. George.—Elder Brigham Young, Jr., left this City yesterday morning for St. George.

Social Reunion.—On Monday evening, Nov. 9, the day following the semi-annual conference at London, England, a social reunion was held by the Saints, at the Albion Hall, at which many strangers were present. The entertainment consisted of music, songs and recitations. So says the *Millennial Star*.

THE WOMAN'S EXPONENT for Dec. 15 contains "A Christmas Dialogue," "To Maggie," "R. S. Reports," "Culture Necessary," "The Closing Year," "Building Temples," "Is it a Crime to Love?" "Woman's Voice," "An Appeal to Woman," "Notes" and "Hints" on various topics, etc.

Shortest Day.—This, the 21st day of December, is what is called St. Thomas', or the shortest day of the year. On this day it is a practice in many places in England for the philanthropically inclined among the rich to gladden the hearts of the aged poor by making gifts to them.

At this festive season it would not be amiss for the well-to-do in this section to remember the poor.

Third District Court.—The Court met at 10 o'clock, this morning, but adjourned at 11, without doing any important business. The trial of Philip Shafer, on indictment for the murder of Peter Van Valkenberg, was set down to commence to-morrow, and that of George M. Norton, for assault with intent to kill, in the beginning of next week.

Robbed.—A man, named Miller, states to the police that he hired a buggy yesterday and went to Camp

Douglas, with some other parties, and that on returning to the City he discovered he was minus a sum of money which he said he had taken with him, he drawing the inference that his companions had robbed him. That tuggy pug considerable whisky aboard as well as passengers, fully as much as the latter could carry had they been left to the ordinary means of locomotion.

Since the foregoing was written we learn that the accused parties were arrested and were to have a trial before Justice Pyper this afternoon.

Acquitted.—As stated in Saturday's NEWS, on that day Mr. John Murphy was being tried in the Third District Court, on an indictment for assault with intent to kill. The case was given to the jury between four and five in the afternoon, and shortly afterwards they returned a verdict of "guilty with intent to intimidate." The Court instructed the jury that there was no such crime under the statutes, and sent them back to their room. They returned to court again about seven o'clock with a verdict of not guilty. Although not a statutory offense, the first finding of the jury, if it did not manifest a profound knowledge of the law, showed, in our judgment, a keen appreciation of the facts in the case, the evidence strongly indicating that the accused, although he fired several shots from a rifle in the direction of some of the prosecuting witnesses, had no intention of shedding their blood, his object evidently being to scare them away from his claim, through which they were constructing the Bingham Canyon railroad. It is to be hoped that the difficulty between the contending parties will soon be settled, and that no more recourse will be had to physical intimidation.

The Timber Question.—Parties claiming to be connected with the land office in this Territory are exercised over the question of cutting timber from government lands and, we understand, they are making calls upon and demands from lumber dealers and others. A few days since, we are informed, some of those parties called at the lumber yard of Messrs. Armstrong and Bagley and made a demand for an amount of money by way of indemnifying the government, and on Mr. Armstrong demurring to comply the parties notified him that his stock of lumber would be seized next day and sold at auction. Being of the opinion that it was scarcely in accordance with the genius of republican institutions to seize and dispose of a man's goods and chattels peremptorily, without due process of law he concluded that that part of the programme was merely of the character generally denominated "bluff." Saturday was the day on which the proposed sale was to come off, but we have no knowledge of its having taken place.

Other cases of the kind have come to our knowledge, by information, and for some reason best known to those immediately concerned, have been suddenly dropped, and there are reports of others in prospective. There are some little facts connected with some of those matters that may probably come to the surface yet.

The best way to settle this matter would be, in our view, to make a test case, when, if necessary, the question could be taken to the Court of last resort, for if the cutting of timber from the canyons to build up a new country comes within the meaning of the act of Congress upon which those land office agents base their operations, it should be known. It is hardly possible, however, that the government would make an act that, in its operations, would be a most material hindrance to the progress and development of its own domain. Such a law would entail a great hardship on the inhabitants of the newly settled portions of the country, compelling them either to perish of cold for lack of fuel and remain houseless, or commit what would be a theft under the law, until they should enter into an arrangement with government about getting fuel and building material from the public domain.

There is rumor of a pressure in this matter from a certain quarter, concerning which we desire to say nothing until we learn that the report is well founded.