

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

Beginning with its issue of May 26, the *Millard Progress*, published at Fillmore, will be an all home-print paper, having abandoned the "patent inside."

NEPHI, May 22.—The jury in the case of J. C. Graham and the *Enquirer* company, brought by R. R. Irvine for \$25,000 damages, came into court at 3 o'clock. Verdict for defendant. No cause of action.

The Markham mill is now in full operation, says the *Bingham Bulletin*, running on ore from the Free Coinage mine, owned and operated by Mickleson & Butler. Mr. Mickleson tells us that they have a nice body of quite rich ore on the Free Coinage.

Neve & Child, the well known furniture dealers have been forced to retire from business. The story of their failure is briefly told by the following notice posted on the front door of the firm's house: "Closed for stock taking. J. P. Mellstrup, assignee."

PLEASANT GROVE, Utah Co., May 20, 1894.—Bishop John Brown and wife will celebrate their golden wedding tomorrow (Monday). Grand preparations are being made for the occasion, and the guests will assemble at the city hall. The Bishop returned from his "hibernation" trip about a week ago. He is quite feeble.

A bunch of steers, owned by Preston Nutter, were driven through the city this morning, says the *Record*, of Cedar City, Iron county. These cattle are from Arizona, and were wintered in Dixie. They are bound for Strawberry Valley, Uintah reservation, where Mr. Nutter has a five-year lease on grazing lands. Another lot of cattle will pass through here within a day or so.

The *Montpellier Post* tells of four burglaries in Paris, Bear Lake county, Idaho, in one night last week. The blacksmithshops of Hurst & Shepherd and Sutton & Son were both visited and tools stolen therefrom. The Paris Mercantile company and the titling office were also broken into and efforts made to blow open the safes. These attempts were unsuccessful and the burglars failed to secure anything. One of the safes had in it \$1,500.

Another disappearance of local interest is that of W. S. Scofield, an employe of Simon Bros. While on a business trip to Pocatello recently, he became intimate, it is said, with a woman at that place and left with her to parts unknown. The Salt Lake police authorities have the matter in hand and have sent photographs of the missing man to the chiefs of police of all the large cities throughout the West. He has a wife and four children in this city.

John H. Rumel, another of Utah's veteran citizens, after a long period of weakness and general debility superinduced by old age, passed from mortality at his home in Farmers' ward May 19th. He was a native of Pennsylvania, and was born in the city of brotherly love, August 28, 1819. He came to this Territory in an

early age and passed through many of the hardships incidental thereto. He was a respected citizen and was held in high esteem by a host of friends.

BASALT, Idaho, May 12, 1894. That dread disease diphtheria has taken another from our ranks, viz., Rose Firth, aged 8 years, whose death occurred Wednesday, May 9th, just one week after the death of her brother. Short services were held at the grave, Elders Charles Criddle and Jos. H. Dye being the speakers, and words of comfort and consolation were given, together with instructions as to the necessity of conforming our lives to the commands of God in order to regain our loved ones.

Mrs. Maren Vestegaard, of the Second ward, Ephraim, died last Saturday. She has been very quiet and unmovable for years, living all alone. For several days the neighbors had noticed her not around, so Saturday they sent word to her daughter-in-law, who came down and found her very sick. She consented to go to her son's house. Tender hands assisted her into a carriage, but no sooner had they got her there, than she gasped and died. Work was sent to her other children who lived at Mayfield, Redmond and Emery, Emery county.

News comes from Eureka to the effect that Ed Williams, a miner well known throughout the west, met with a most violent death at that place on Saturday evening. The deceased was working on a water course for the Eureka-Hill Mining company and had gone a short distance away to get a blast of powder. He had been absent but a brief period when his companions heard a terrible explosion. Turning their attention in the direction from which the sound proceeded they were horrified at seeing pieces of the body of Williams flying through the air. The largest fragment of the body found was the head. A jury was empaneled and returned a verdict of accidental death. The deceased was 42 years of age and left a wife and two children.

A sad case of drowning occurred at Paradise on Wednesday evening, a seven-year-old boy, the adopted son of George Davis, being the victim. The little fellow had gone to a meadow some distance from home, to bring the cows home. He had to cross Little Bear river, ordinarily an insignificant stream, but now a torrent of no small proportions, on a narrow foot bridge. Possibly he became dizzy, at any rate he fell in and was drowned. As soon as the alarm was given all the men in the town turned out to search for the body, which was not found until the next morning, a half mile from the place where he fell in. Coroner King held an inquest over the body, the verdict being in accordance with the acts given above.

The annual meeting of the Territorial board of equalization for the assessment of the various railroad, telephone and telegraph companies, etc., in Utah for the year 1894-5 began at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the

board's offices in the Dooly building, and the business is expected to occupy from three to four days. There were present the following members: Messrs. M. B. Sowles, president, and J. E. Dooly, Salt Lake; W. W. Maughan, Logan; R. T. Hume, Ogden; and Jos. Judd, Manti. Messrs. R. C. Lund, St. George, and J. E. Booth, Provo, will arrive this evening to take part in the proceedings of the next few days. Mr. J. J. Thomas is the board's secretary, and again occupies his accustomed seat at the business table. There is a good deal of important work to be gone through.

There are probably one hundred half-civilized Indians composing the unique little village of Washakie, which is situated about 35 miles north of Brigham, says the *Bugler*. Most of the families have good, warm houses, but they use them for storerooms, preferring to live outside in their tents. "Heap better health," they claim. "White man sleep on feathers and poor air—get legs like chickens." The Washakie Indians own and till many good farms. But for several years they have been unfortunate with their crops. The grasshoppers seem to have a special pick at the harvests of these aborigines. The grasshoppers' work of destruction has been so effectual for several seasons that the natives are pretty well discouraged. The prospects this year are as gloomy as ever.

SAMARIA, Idaho, May 16.—The tedious work of impaneling a jury in the case against John Hurst for the killing of Morgan Morgan commenced today. The panel was exhausted and the sheriff and deputies are out in the extreme ends of the county with an open venire after more jurymen.

Prosecuting Attorney Winters, Jas. H. Hamley, from Paris, and a Mr. Gray, of Malad, are conducting the prosecution. Judge Powers, of Salt Lake, Messrs. Stone & Evans and J. C. McDougal, of Malad, are looking after the defense.

Both sides are feeling their way very cautiously. It will be a hard fight on both sides and no doubt will be the most interesting and the most costly trial that ever occurred in this county.

The proposition to hold an intermountain convention to consider the home industry question—reference to which subject was made in the *News* several weeks ago—was discussed at a joint session of the Chamber of Commerce and Manufacturers' bureau Monday evening. It was generally conceded that such a convention would prove most beneficial to the West, and to Salt Lake in particular, and it was therefore conditionally decided to call it. An effort will be made to secure a low rate of transportation over the railroads, in order to induce a large attendance of delegates and others. A committee on finance was appointed to try and raise the necessary funds, which were estimated at \$2,000; also a committee on program and rates. On Friday next these committees will present their reports, when a final decision will be arrived at in regard to the calling of the convention.

On Sunday, two small boys, one the son of Frank Robinson and the other the son of Martin Thomas, both of Richmond, were riding on the same