

SALT LAKE WILL ESCAPE THE RAISE

B. F. Grant Returns From San Francisco With Good News.

THE INSURANCE CONDITIONS.

Water Improvements in This City Means Much to Property Owners In This Respect.

B. F. Grant returned from San Francisco this morning, with the welcome intelligence that owing to the water improvements being made in this city, the chances are that Salt Lake will escape the raise in insurance rates to be made presently by the board of underwriters all over the country. The board is considering very favorably the situation here. Moreover, there is no danger that the smaller insurance companies will fail because of San Francisco losses, as the larger and stronger companies will reinsure them if occasion calls for it. Therefore, as far as Salt Lake is concerned, there is considerable cause for self congratulation.

CANNOT ENAGGERATE.

Mr. Grant was for 20 days in the hurried city, and he says the scenes to be seen there could be exaggerated. It is impossible for the most imaginative newspaper writer to overdraw on his imagination.

Death and desolation impresses one everywhere. At the same time citizens there are exhibiting marvelous courage, and the general talk is of rebuilding. In fact rebuilding has begun, and in a very short time only that the building is exactly the same character which makes so unique the mushroom mining camps of the west. Wooden structures are springing up everywhere, and to look up and down the streets where these rude buildings are springing up, recalls at once the surroundings of a mining country. Every possible makeshift is resorted to, and in the midst of the building, the one-story that practically escaped injury, is now reoccupied by the bank that occupied it previously.

OAKLAND CONDITIONS.

Mr. Grant was much impressed with the order maintained by the U. S. troops. Out at the parks where the people are concentrated in tents and other temporary structures, the people are compelled to observe cleanliness, and the hygienic conditions are perfect. Mr. Grant was also impressed, but the other way, with the chaos obtaining in Oakland where the saloons are all running in full blast, and the streets are literally blocked with hordes and various other things, and the tenors of the saloon regime. Mr. Grant's sister, Mrs. Maude Cullen was a sufferer by the fire, losing everything and the trunk full of belongings, which she pulled into the street, and which was thought safe, was finally burned.

WILLIAM FRAMPTON DEAD.

Old Time Resident of Pleasant Grove Expired Suddenly Today.

(Special to the "News.") Pleasant Grove, May 23.—William W. Frampton, one of the oldest residents of this place, died suddenly at about 8 o'clock this morning from heart failure.

Mr. Frampton appeared to be in his usual state of health when he awoke this morning. After eating his breakfast he walked out into the garden and suddenly fell to the ground and expired.

The deceased was a native of Pennsylvania and was 73 years of age. He joined the Church in the early days and went to Nauvoo. From there he made the journey to Utah in 1847 and settled here. He was highly respected and was a useful citizen. He was the first music and school teacher of Pleasant Grove. He leaves a wife and six children.

NEWSPAPER CHANGES

Occur on Intercommunal Republican Which is to Have New Manager.

A. E. Blunk, president and general manager of the Intercommunal Republican, has severed his connection with the paper and sold his controlling interest to a syndicate comprised of prominent Republicans of this state. Mr. Blunk retired last evening and the paper was temporarily turned over to Adolphus Anderson, bookkeeper in the business of the paper.

This afternoon a meeting is in session at which are present some of the members of the syndicate and the editor, Messrs. J. H. Anderson, Ed. Callister and William Spry. At this meeting it is expected that the future policy of the paper will be decided.

It is understood that Mr. Blunk is the cause assigned by Mr. Blunk for his desire to turn his stock into cash and return to Johnston, N. C., where he came last fall.

When seen this morning Mr. Blunk said: "I have sold out my interest in the paper and myself and board of directors part the best of friends. I have had considerable money for the paper, and I feel that I can make better use of it elsewhere than here."

Mr. Booth, who was undoubtedly elected this afternoon as president of the new board of directors, said: "It is true that Mr. Blunk has sold out. He made us a proposition and we accepted it at his figure. His health has not been the best of late and the nervous strain attending upon the work of starting up a new paper has brought him to such a pitch that it is impossible for him to get sufficient sleep in this article. The deal is satisfactory to both sides, and that is all there is to it."

Mr. Booth also stated that the deal was engineered by Mr. Spry, who has secured the backing of some prominent non-Mormons whose names he was not prepared to divulge.

GETS A "CHAIN PRAYER."

Governor Cutler in Receipt of Quaker Petition From Jerusalem.

Gov. Cutler today received a very peculiar communication in which was enclosed a prayer said to have been delivered at Jerusalem during Holy mass and which, it is stated, if written once each day for nine days and sent through the mails to nine different persons, will preserve the person so writing and mailing it, from every calamity. The letter and the prayer are written on dated paper in a lady's hand but no name is attached to it, and the governor does not know from whom it came. The letter, which contains neither signature nor date line, follows in full:

"At Jerusalem during Holy mass a voice was heard to say—'They who write this prayer shall be delivered from every calamity.' This prayer was sent from Bishop Tenar recommending it to be sent to nine persons. They who do not write this prayer shall be affected by a great calamity. One who paid no attention to it was punished by an accident. They who wrote this prayer for nine days and delivered it to nine persons through the mail beginning the day they receive it sending one only each day will receive great joy after the nine days. This prayer was sent to

ANOTHER LETTER

This time from Coffeyville, Kansas, reading as follows:

"While on my return from a California trip a few days ago, I bought a small box of your SWEET'S 'OLD FASHIONED STICK CANDY.'"

"I will have to say that this candy has the best collection of flavors of any candy on the market in this section of the country. I have recently put in a stock of candy in my store, but have seen nothing in the market to compare with your 'Old Fashioned Stick Candy.'"

"Please quote me prices on same."

Quite a compliment to Utah's leading candy factory.

me to send to nine persons, which I do. You can do as you please about it. The candy has given the prayer into the custody of his private secretary, N. P. Nelson, who will no doubt be able to discover nine persons who are greatly in need of a prayer of some character or other.

According to the April number of the "Living Church," published at Milwaukee, the prayer has been widely circulated throughout the United States and is generally discredited. The editor of the publication mentioned in commenting on the matter says: "This chain prayer has also been brought to our notice several times heretofore. It has been disavowed by several Roman Catholic bishops, who have expressed the belief that it probably emanates from some crank or insane person."

ANOTHER WESTERN ROAD.

Believed That Hill and Gould Have Combined to Build It.

(Special to the "News.") Boise, Idaho, May 23.—The San Francisco, Idaho and Montana Railroad, which is to be built from Butte to Winnemucca, Nev., reorganized here today by electing Donald Grant of Chicago, president; Henry Myer, cashier; Hamilton National Bank, Chicago, treasurer. The directors are eastern capitalists. The work of construction on the western section is to begin within 30 days. It is believed to be a Gould-Hill line.

LATE LOCALS.

Murray Improvements—Architects Erskine & Lillenberg are taking figures for the building of the new court house and jail at Murray.

Principals Meet—The regular weekly meeting of the principals of the city schools is scheduled for this afternoon in Supt. Christensen's office.

New Residences—E. O. Howard and Benner K. Smith will erect handsome residences on their recently acquired lots on South Temple street near 4th street.

Italian on Trial—Nick Carnage, an Italian, charged with a headlong assault on Judge Diehl today on the charge of assault with a deadly weapon upon one Joe Homer.

Smoker This Evening—The real estate men will hold a smoker this evening, at their association headquarters, with an annual day at Saltair will be discussed.

To Make Inspection—The commercial club committee on public improvements and parks will make a trip of inspection over the line of the new boulevard on Friday next at 2:30 p. m.

New Engine Here—The new engine for the Saltair railroad has arrived and is being connected up for its trial trip tomorrow. This makes three locomotives now owned by the company.

Candidate for Stripes—Sheriff Knudson of Sanpete county, is charged today with having last night with a prisoner who was sent up for burglary. The new candidate for stripes was taken to Warden Pratt's institution this morning.

Leg Badly Crushed—Charles Block, the Knutsford bell boy whose thigh was broken in one of the hotel elevators recently had the X-ray thrown on the limb last evening, and the bone was found to have been badly crushed. Whether the leg can be saved is a question.

To Begin Work Soon—Agent Tremholm of the De Forest Wireless Telegraph company, has gone to Denver, and Local Agent Harris says a construction gang may be expected here any day. The delay has been occasioned by the San Francisco catastrophe. The great relay station will be erected between this city and the great lake, with a substation up town.

Denver—The Elks have decided to take a band with them to Denver, although the expense will be very heavy, over \$1,000; but the band will not be entered in the band contest. The money is to be raised in a day at Saltair, June 14 next, Denver day, the occasion will be called, and a circular has been issued calling on all of the members of the order to start up and make up the day a huge success.

Meet to Boost—The directors of the D. A. M. society of the Salt Lake Real Estate association and the Manufacturers and Merchants' association met at 3:30 this afternoon, at the home of the D. A. M. society to confer on plans of united action for the benefit of the town. The State Horticultural society has prepared large glass jars full of different kinds of fruits and curds, fruits illustrative of the products of the southern part of the state, for exhibition at the D. A. M. offices in the Templeton, and they make a fine showing there.

State Health Report—The April bulletin of the Utah state board of health, published today, gives the number of deaths for the month in this city, at 280, of which 120 were in this city. Seventy-nine districts out of 132 districts reported no deaths, and 53 localities reported themselves free from contagious diseases. Number of cases of scarlet fever, 36; diphtheria, 74 cases; no deaths; diphtheria and membranous group, 46 cases, three deaths; typhoid fever, 18 cases, four deaths; whooping cough, 123 cases, five deaths; measles, 25 cases, no deaths; chicken pox, 14 cases, no deaths; pneumonia, 40 cases, 17 deaths; tuberculosis, 12 cases, seven deaths.

Testimonial Concert—A testimonial concert will be given next Friday evening in the Nineteenth ward meetinghouse, in honor of Miss Emma Hamlin who leaves on a mission to Hawaii June 9, next. The program will include a recitation by Don Carlos Wood, violin solo by Prof. Sardon, vocal solo by Miss Fitzpatrick, song by children from Miss Hamlin's class in the Lafayette school, led by Prof. Wetzel, recitation by Edna Harker, Harp solo by Miss Robinson, remarks by Lulu Gates, Hawaiian singing, soprano solo by Mrs. Lizzie Thomas, piano solo by J. S. Donaldson, recitation by Lillian Hunter, Tenor solo, Thomas Edwards, remarks by Benjamin Goddard, address by Mrs. Smith, response by Emma Hamlin.

AMOUNT OF MONEY PAID IN UTAH.

Total of Payment of Claims Distributed in This State.

BY INSURANCE COMPANIES.

Biggest Individual One Was That of The W. A. Nelden Estate Amounting to \$19,531.

A good indication of the amount of money distributed in Utah by insurance companies, in payment of claims, is furnished by the reports for 1905 of the different companies. They have been collected, and show that Utah received \$137,893 out of a grand total of over 500 times that amount, \$407,019,972 paid in the United States and Canada.

The statistics are compiled by the Insurance Press from the reports of all companies, including fraternal, and show that Salt Lake is 44th in a list of 98 cities of the United States and Canada that received over \$100,000 each. The biggest individual Salt Lake payments were \$15,000 to the Emanuel Kahn estate, \$10,000 to Royal H. Miller, and \$19,531 to the estate of W. A. Nelden.

The full list of Utah towns with the amount received is as follows:

UTAH.

Beaver	3,954
Bingham	4,000
Centerville	2,900
Brigham City	9,832
Charleston	2,600
Coalville	2,400
College	1,850
Garfield	2,200
Gunnison	7,000
Heber	3,200
Inverary	2,000
Lawton	2,900
Lewiston	3,200
Logan	8,500
Milford	1,068
Ogden	25,810
Park City	2,000
Paragonah	2,000
Payson	1,000
Provo	8,500
Richmond	3,000
Salt Lake City	356,438
Vernal	6,500
Wellsville	5,000
West Jordan	4,900
Wilson	2,400
Industrial	5,320
Unclassified	226,762
Total	\$737,893

THE MOYER CASE.

Comes up May 29 When Motion for Change of Venue Will be Made.

(Special to the "News.") Boise, Idaho, May 23.—The Canyon county district court will convene May 29, when a motion for a change of venue will be filed in the Moyer-Haywood case supported by 300 affidavits.

SMALLPOX ON CAR.

Mail Clerk Contracts Disease and Made Quarantine Necessary.

Eugene Parkinson, a mail clerk on the San Pedro, contracted smallpox the other day, while changing off on a run up into Idaho, and was removed from his car at Caliente yesterday, and put under quarantine. The car was run through to this city, and thoroughly fumigated. This was done to prevent so that it is not considered that there will be any danger of contagion. The state board of health acted promptly in the matter.

HENDERSON SENTENCED.

Pleaded Guilty and Was Given Three Years in States Prison.

S. K. Henderson, the man arrested by the police for attempting a criminal assault upon Lulu Peterson, a 10-year-old girl, was before Judge C. B. Diehl today for arraignment. He pleaded guilty, waived preliminary hearing, and at once went before Judge Armstrong in the Third district court and pleaded guilty again. Upon recommendation of District Attorney Loomis, Henderson was sentenced to three years at hard labor in the state prison was taken to that institution this afternoon.

DEFENDANT WON.

In \$5,000 Damage Suit Brought by Mary McElhone.

In the \$5,000 damage suit of Mary McElhone against Salt Lake City and the Clayton Investment Co., which has been on trial for several days past in Judge Lewis' court, the jury has returned a verdict in favor of the defendants, no cause of action. The plaintiff felt the order to remove the money from the bank was not a cause of action. The money is to be paid in a day at Saltair, June 14 next, Denver day, the occasion will be called, and a circular has been issued calling on all of the members of the order to start up and make up the day a huge success.

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COURT NOTES.

The supreme court today heard arguments in the following cases and took them under advisement: Ella Van Why, administratrix, vs. the Southern Pacific company and the Union Pacific railway company, appellants; E. B. Graves, appellant, vs. Flora I. Seifried et al.; John McLean vs. W. B. Wedell.

Suit was filed in the district court today by Lorenzo Sharp against Mary E. Earls to quiet title to a right of way over part of lot 7, block 35, plat E, Salt Lake City survey and to enjoin defendant from attempting to enclose said right of way in a fence and prevent plaintiff from using the same. It is alleged that plaintiff deeded two feet of his land towards the right of way and defendant now threatens to fence in the two-foot strip as well as the remainder of the right of way. A temporary injunction was issued by the court today to restrain defendant from interfering with right of way while this action is pending.

HOOD'S PILLS

Act on the liver and bowels, cure biliousness, constipation, morning and sick headache, break up colds, relieve uncomfortable fullness after dinner. Pleasant cathartic. 25c.

Peptiron Pills

Ironize the blood, tone the stomach, aid digestion, and give restful sleep. Especially beneficial in nervousness and anemia. Chocolate-coated, pleasant to take. Two sizes: 50c and \$1. Druggists or mail. C. I. HOOD CO., Lowell, Mass.

SAN FRANCISCO BANKS OPEN DOORS

Never Before in Their History Have They Had So Much Money on Hand.

WAS VERY LITTLE DISORDER.

Some Did Not Open Because They Could Not Secure Business Quarters.

San Francisco, May 23.—At 10 o'clock this morning practically every bank in this city that has been able to secure temporary quarters threw open its doors to the public. An unique feature connected with this general resumption of business after the suspension caused by the recent great calamity, was the fact that never in the history of San Francisco was there so much bank money on hand. For the past week money has been pouring into the various financial institutions from all parts of the world. Supt. Leach, of the United States mint, has received many large transfers from these people lost their in the recent still the money is coming. What the total is to date is not known, but some time ago it exceeded \$20,000,000. The last transfers consisted for the greater part of large sums for the savings banks.

When their doors opened this morning they by no means had to depend upon the money received from outside sources. Great savings institutions like the Hibernia, the Humboldt and the Mutual had millions in coin and valuable securities in their vaults, which were undisturbed by the fire.

The first named of these banks had in trust in its care enormous sums. It was reported when business opened to-day that this bank had back of it \$15,000,000 in United States bonds and \$10,000,000 in other gilt-edged securities, together with millions in coin. In its lists of depositors are included a great number of the working classes. Most of these people lost their all in the recent great fire, and at an early hour they began to line up before the bank's doors. By 9 o'clock the lines were over a block long and the police were summoned to maintain order and be prepared for any possible emergency. Their duties, however, consisted of little more than keeping the patient men and women in line. There was no disorder and not an anxious face in the long line. Features were stamped with expectancy rather than worry, for confidence in the bank's ability to pay in full was unquestioned by all. The early lining up simply meant that workmen needed their small savings at this juncture and took the first opportunity to obtain their money. The shattered bank building an American flag floated in the sunshine and when the doors swung open the shuffle of feet in the long line was accompanied by the sound of gold.

The Mutual opened in its own building, which was badly wrecked, but a few remaining counters and the undamaged vaults made the necessary repairs no great task. The bank officials said they had over \$2,000,000 in coin or its equivalent in active securities, and met all demands promptly and without delay. The fellow bank was successful in the condition of the Mutual said that it was peculiarly fortunate in that it had but \$2,400,000 in loans in the burned district, and \$1,250,000 of this was covered by good insurance.

At the Union Safe Deposit and Trust company's banks both commercial and savings, everything proceeded with that degree of order and quiet that was remote from even a suggestion of a money panic.

The Humboldt bank in its temporary quarters carried on business as usual before the fire. Cashier Palmer said that only about 30 per cent of the bank's loans were in the burned district and that it was the intention to return to its old quarters as soon as the borrowers for rebuilding purposes.

The fact that all of the banks did not reopen their doors was due to the dearth of necessary quarters. The business of the rebuilding house bank in the mint has been practically closed up.

"HOT IRON" FAKE.

How it is Being Worked Among Unsuspecting Women in Salt Lake.

Police officers are now making efforts to locate and arrest a man who represents himself to be the agent of a company selling so-called "self-heating iron" and who has been successful in luring several women of this city, and one of them, Mrs. Frank Bailey, 165 north First street, has sent a communication to the chief of police, asking the latter to take some measures to place the "agent" where he will be unable to impose upon people.

The woman to the information received this morning at police headquarters, the "agent" has been going about town exhibiting "a self-heating iron" which "works to perfection." He had a wagon load of other iron, and sold them for \$2.95 and \$3.95 each. In explaining the operation of the iron he used the sample and was very careful not to sell them. He wanted to do a job of a dozen or so in Mrs. Bailey's neighborhood and then disappeared.

When the purchasers tried to use the iron, they found that it was a fake, and that it was a cheap piece of iron. Mrs. Bailey is not the only one who has made a complaint. There are others who purchased irons which have not been delivered, and these enraged women are anxiously awaiting the appearance of the agent and propose to give him a reception which he will not soon forget.

Dr. Loomis, dentist, over Walker's Store.

WEATHER REPORT.

Record at the local office of the weather bureau for the 24 hours ending at 8 a. m. today:

Temperature at 6 a. m., 50; maximum, 71; minimum, 48; mean, 66; which is 2 degrees above normal.

Relative humidity, 68 per cent.

FORECAST TILL 4 P. M. THURSDAY.

Local forecast for Salt Lake City and vicinity:

Partly cloudy tonight and Thursday.

Local Forecaster.

TODAY'S TEMPERATURE.

6 a. m. 50; 7 a. m. 55; 8 a. m. 60; 9 a. m. 65; 10 a. m. 70; 11 a. m. 75; 12 m. 78; 1 p. m. 80; 2 p. m. 82; 3 p. m. 80; 4 p. m. 78; 5 p. m. 75; 6 p. m. 72; 7 p. m. 70; 8 p. m. 68; 9 p. m. 65; 10 p. m. 62; 11 p. m. 60; midnight 58.

YESTERDAY'S RECORD.

Highest 82; lowest 48.

COAL COMPANIES COAL COAL ROADS.

Interstate Commerce Commission Continues Its Investigations Into Their Relations.

CASSATT'S ASST A WITNESS.

Proved a Very Unwilling One and Was Hard to Get Anything Out Of.

Philadelphia, May 23.—High officials of the Pennsylvania railroad are among the witnesses who will be examined during the investigation this week of the interstate commerce commission into the alleged discrimination by the railroad in the distribution of coal cars. The hearings were resumed today.

The revelations last week when a number of Pennsylvania railroad officials admitted accepting gifts of stocks in various coal mining companies impelled the commission to subpoena more important officers in an effort to determine the extent of the secret business relations alleged to exist between the railroad and certain coal companies.

As a result of the investigation, the railroad is said to be considering plans to bring about a more thorough probing through the state legislature. Such an investigation would include an inquiry into all the details surrounding the contracts for steel rails, engines and other equipment made in the last five or six years. The present investigation is limited by the Thomas-Gillespie resolution to the relations of the railroads to the coal and oil industries.

The entire commission sat for today's hearing.

The first witness was W. A. Patton, President Cassatt's assistant at Philadelphia. He was asked what interest he had in coal companies. He enumerated the various companies in which he held stock. Concerning the Keystone Coal company, of which 2,500 shares were in his name, he said he got the stock from his father, who was interested in the company. Mr. Patton explained that he held stock in five companies which were consolidated with the Keystone, and through that transaction secured his holdings in the Keystone company.

Mr. Patton proved an unwilling witness when questioned about his holdings in the Atlantic Crushed Coke company and repeated efforts were made by Mr. Glasgow to draw a positive statement as to whether he had paid any cash for his 400 shares in the company. Mr. Patton explained that he became interested in the land purchasing company through J. Howard Patton, who represented the interest of George F. Huff. When the land was purchased he said the investors were obliged to pay their pro rata share, but as there had been no losses, it was necessary to pay in cash.

"You got that obligation back, didn't you?"

"I did in stock."

"Were you required to pay anything toward the purchase of the land?"

"I stood to lose and had it been necessary, would have paid my share."

Senator Cockrell here interrupted, saying:

"It seems to me to be an easy matter for you to say you went into a speculative deal; that none of you paid any cash and that the corporation was responsible for the purchase price. I do not see the necessity of beating about the bush."

As a matter of fact, said Chairman Knapp, "You took the risk, but did not lose anything."

"I was an investor," replied the witness, "and was treated the same as other investors in the Atlantic Crushed Coke company."

Mr. Patton said he thought he had 500 shares, but was not certain, which he acquired in the same manner as his other shares in the company.

He was asked if he ever held stock in the Columbia Coal company. He said he had at its organization, but he became a shareholder in the company of an operating company and he sold his stock to a Greensburg, Pa., banking company.

"What bank took it?"

"The Citizens bank."

In the Greensburg company Mr. Patton said he had 1,000 shares. He said he was obliged by note to the amount of \$20,000 for the purchase of the land. The money was guaranteed by Mr. Huff's bank at Greensburg. Witness said he got the money back through the sale of bonds.

Concerning the Cochran Coal company, Mr. Patton said there were 3,000 or 4,000 shares of undeveloped coal land and "some of our people" suggested to Thomas Cochran the desirability of developing the land.

Asked what he meant by "some of our people," witness said bankers and brokers and others who might be interested in the development of the land. Mr. Patton said he was obliged to the amount of \$15,000 in the organization of this company. Thomas Cochran, ran going on his note. He acquired 500 shares in the company but paid no interest on the note.

The examination of Mr. Patton developed the fact that he held stock in a dozen coal companies, 6,440 shares of which with a par value of \$37,000, he had acquired without payment. In addition he owned 700 shares which had been paid for.

"If you can explain the fact, Mr. Patton, queried Mr. Glasgow, "that you acquired principally through Geo. F. Huff, such an enormous amount of stock."

Mr. Patton said he was born in western Pennsylvania and had had been a life long friend of Col. Huff. "Friendship," he said, "goes a good ways. These stocks are not given to me for any favors I might be able to do the companies."

"Were your superior officers aware that you owned this stock?" asked Mr. Glasgow.

"I think Mr. Roberts and Mr. Thompson were."

"And Mr. Cassatt?"

"I judge so," it was generally known."

A. W. Gibbs, general superintendent of motive power at Altoona