

to the Elders, who will make it their duty to visit them.

Some of the returned Elders deserve censure for failing to write friends raised up to them of the Lord in different places, especially after promising to do so. The Elders are looked up to with the highest confidence, as men, and they may develop that confidence into a positive faith in the Gospel they preach by corresponding with their friends. At any rate it aids to keep open the way into their sympathies for new Elders entering the field.

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NEWS NOTES.

Omaha Stockman, Oct. 31st. E. Yont, a stockman of Echo, Utah, was here with a shipment of cattle.

Train 92, from Stockton to San Francisco, killed a man on Paradise-cut bridge on Saturday afternoon. It was purely an accident. He was identified as John Dougherty, a native of Ireland, aged 55.

Within the past few weeks southern California has been flooded with "green goods" circulars sent to all classes and conditions of men, and mailed from different addresses in New York and Pennsylvania.

Deming, New Mexico, Headlight: Mr. Richards of the Mexican Mormon colonies, has been called to Salt Lake for commission as a European missionary and left Tuesday for his new field of labors.

Daniel Johnson, a foundryman, committed suicide at San Francisco, Cal., Saturday night, by swallowing a quantity of morphine. Johnson came from Los Angeles with his family about two weeks ago. Despondency is assigned as the cause for his taking his life.

Charles Copp, a German, started to walk to his home at Lake Park, Washington, Monday night after the political demonstration. Two miles beyond South Tacoma he fell off a forty-foot trestle on the Lake Park railroad, breaking his collar bone, two fingers and sustaining internal injuries which are likely to cause his death. He was found next morning by a boy.

Frank Beck, part owner of a laundry in Helena, Montana, shut himself in the forehead with a double-barreled shot gun and died instantly Saturday night. He had been drinking heavily of late and his wife had taken refuge in a neighbor's house, fearing that he would kill her. He called at the house, but she refused to see him or come out. He then went in the back yard and committed suicide. He was about 35 years old and leaves a widow and two children.

The posse pursuing the postoffice robbers overtook them at Gillespie ranch, in the Graham mountains, Arizona, twenty miles distant, just at sundown Saturday evening. There were three robbers, all Mexicans, under the leadership of Ramon Escobosa. A fight ensued, in which one robber is believed to have been wounded. The goods stolen from the store were recovered. The robbers had four pack horses loaded with plunder. They went in the direction of Dos Cabezas.

Mabel Munsey of Ballard, Wash-

ington, is a somnambulist. Saturday night she ate mince pie, or something that made her dream. One little boy said she had the nightmare. She got up while asleep and put the bedclothes on a hot stove. Then she went to bed again. A short time later Mrs. Reasoner, who is 82 years old, was awakened by a feeling of suffocation. She found the room full of smoke and the bed clothes on fire. She yelled, and this awoke Mabel Munsey, who jumped out of bed, and picking the burning clothes, rushed to the front door. In her attempt to unlock it the burglar clothes fell from her arms and burned her ankles and set fire to her bed clothes. She finally got the door unlocked, threw the bed clothes outside and succeeded in extinguishing the fire which threatened her own life.

At Buena park, Sunday morning, Harley R. Moon was killed by a bull. About 7 o'clock he undertook, as was his daily custom, to lead the powerful beast out to pasture. He had had trouble with the brute before, but had always been able to master him. That morning, however, the animal, which is hornless, suddenly knocked him down. Mr. Moon tried to rise, but the beast charged upon his half-prostrate form and pawed him furiously. Moon screamed in his agony, but no help was at hand and his life was soon stamped out. Mrs. Moon waited some time for her husband's return, and then went in search of him. She became nearly frantic when the mangled remains were recovered. He was 55 years of age, and highly esteemed in his district. He leaves a wife and family.

The Phoenix, Arizona, Gazette, says that "there is a blind Mexican boy, 22 years of age, who has lived in Phoenix since childhood. He travels along the streets daily and goes everywhere about the city." We have a character in St. Johns who possesses these peculiar abilities, and is also a Mexican. Tranquillo Tafolla has been blind from his birth. He was raised in this place, and is now about 18 years old. He is so well acquainted with the streets of this town and the adjacent country as to go where he pleases. He is able to ride a horse at a trot about the streets and to and from his father's ranch two miles into the country. It is a common sight to see him riding at a gallop with a younger brother behind his saddle. Tranquillo is also a musician of no mean abilities.

An old man was struck by the Oroville, Cal., train near Sacramento, Cal., on Sunday while walking on the track near Webster's siding, and was instantly killed. His head was badly crushed, and his chest and limbs were reduced to pulp. The engineer noticed the man ahead on the track, but thought nothing of the matter until the train neared him, when the whistle sounded, but with no result. The man was apparently deaf, and the engine struck him before he was aware of his danger. Death was evidently instantaneous. There was on the person of the deceased a new pocket-knife, a piece of tobacco, a bar of soap and two slips of paper, on one of which was written the name, "F. T. Stark," and following it was an itemized account showing the bearer had been

cutting wood. On the other was written the words, "Swan's—between Market and Mission on Fourth street." Other than this there is no clue to the dead man, who was apparently 60 years old, had pleasant features, was scrupulously clean and had evidently seen better days. Whether Stark was his name or not is not known.

Bountiful Clipper: Some years ago one of our young men was called upon suddenly to address a Sabbath school. It was at the time of the death of the father of the present emperor of Germany. In his remarks the young man commented on the cause of his death and its possible effect on that nation. At the close of his remarks a friend complimented him on his knowledge of passing events, and said that he had many times noticed that he was exceptionally well posted on current events and he wondered how he kept so well posted, feeling that he was busy every day with his employment. The answer was, "I take a daily paper and read it." That was a very simple answer, but how much meaning in it. Apropos of this we notice that the citizens of Bountiful now have the EVENING NEWS delivered at their doors direct from the press; also the Sunday Herald. Then we have our own local paper the Clipper, which furnishes us with all the news from our own county. These three combined make an encyclopedia of every day knowledge that will keep any family posted on all the passing events, and they will indeed be up with the times.

Wasatch Wave (Heber City): Mrs. John Hamilton of Buysville met with an accident Monday afternoon on Main street that might have resulted seriously. The horse she was driving became frightened and gave a sudden turo, throwing Mrs. Hamilton out of the buggy, the right side of her head and face striking the ground first and cutting a small gash under the eye and one in the forehead. She was taken into the drug store and made as comfortable as possible. About 11 o'clock Monday forenoon fire broke out in the large barn owned by A. Hatch and located on his farm just north of town, and in less than two hours the whole structure and its contents were in ashes. When discovered the fire was coming out of the top at the south end of the building which is next to the house occupied by the tenant of the place, John H. Price, and it is the universal opinion that the hay had been ignited by a spark from the chimney in the house being carried by the strong wind that was blowing through a crack in the mow onto it. As there was no insurance on the building or the hay, the loss will be entire. The barn was erected a little over a year ago at a cost of between \$700 and \$800, and there was stored in it fully 100 tons of hay. Besides there was a mowing machine, hay rake and a pair of bob sleighs belonging to Mr. Hatch that were burned, and a farm wagon and about twenty bushels of potatoes owned by Mr. Price, and a calf, a hay carrier, shovels and other small farming tools belonging equally to both gentlemen. Mr. Price with difficulty extricated his team and a bull from the burning mass and was severely burned about the hands in doing so.