

as if Ogden's streets will be lighted with natural gas. The gas from the new well will be controlled with shut-offs and utilized in the boiler, which will furnish steam with which to operate the machinery in putting down the large wells. The derricks will be erected at once and immediately upon the arrival of the machinery from the east active work will be begun.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION.

The attendance at the Sunday School Union meeting held last evening (Nov. 21) in the Fourteenth ward assembly hall, was unusually large. All the city wards, except the Fifth, Ninth and Twenty-third, were numerously represented, and also the schools of Union, Big Cottonwood South District and Sugar House.

Stake Superintendent T. C. Griggs presided.

The excellent singing exercises were given by the Thirteenth ward Sunday school choir.

#### THE LECTURE.

Elder Horace Cummings delivered an instructive and entertaining lecture upon the subject of "Attention, How to Secure It and How to Retain It when Obtained," prefacing his remarks by a definition of the subject. Attention was of two kinds, that which is obtained by compulsion and that obtained or given willingly by the student. The successful teacher must obtain the willing attention of the children, and in leading their minds from the known to the unknown. Comparisons must be made with familiar objects. For instance, to tell a child what a lion is, show it a cat, and explain its character and by explaining that the lion is merely a very large cat, the child has a very good conception of the subject.

To present the lesson to the children in an indirect way, leaving them something to discover themselves, is another way of obtaining closer attention.

The love of approbation, possessed by nearly all children may be gratified by a wise teacher to very good advantage in getting the attention of the members of the class. Then there are others of the class who like to be looked up to by the rest of the class, who, when they have become interested, aid the teacher in interesting the others.

A most excellent plan to obtain attention is to intersperse the lesson with an interesting story, anecdote or practical illustration.

As a reward for early attendance, promise a good story to all who will be on time the following Sunday, and the children will not only be early, but will be most sure to come every Sunday. The teacher who can keep something ahead of his class, something for the children to look forward to with eager anticipation, can always interest his class.

A teacher who obtains the love, respect and esteem of his children can much more easily obtain and retain their attention, and teachers should seek to ingratiate themselves into the affections of their class.

#### ELDER S. A. WILSON

of the Nineteenth ward school, in an interesting address, explained the method of teaching adopted in the

Nineteenth ward Sabbath school, where a yearly programme is arranged in accordance with the instructions given in the Sunday School Guide, and which, if generally adopted, would very materially increase the efficiency of the work done in the schools, and make them more interesting and attractive to the children.

#### SUPERINTENDENT GRIGGS

commended to the earnest consideration of all Sunday school workers the plan adopted in the Nineteenth ward, and suggested that the plan be studied by the superintendents and teachers with a view to their general adoption in all the schools of this Stake. The lessons are planned and laid out for the whole year, for the four departments of the graded Sunday schools, and present such a variety of subjects and lessons, adopted to each department, as will furnish interesting matter that is sure to make the Sunday school a very attractive institution.

A few remarks were made by Elders Joseph Height and Hiram Pickett, of Cassia Stake, and Elder Lakin, of this city, special Sunday school missionaries in this Stake.

Teachers and superintendents of this stake were specially requested to obtain a set of the Graded Lesson cards, already referred to, acquaint themselves with their contents, and present them to their schools, and be prepared to adopt them in all the schools of this stake the coming year. The cards can be obtained at the Juvenile Instructor office.

The choir sang "Let us oft speak kind words to each other," and Elder John Alford pronounced the benediction.

The Fourteenth Ward school will furnish the musical exercises at the next meeting, and a practical illustration of graded school work will be given by one of the departments of the Nineteenth Ward school, to show the method of using the programme cards as now adopted in that school.

JOS. HYRUM PARRY, Sec'y.

### RETURNED ELDERS.

Elder John Pearson of Huntington, Emery county, called at the NEWS office this morning having just returned from a mission to the Southern states, for which part of the world he left his home on November 1, 1890. Elder Pearson labored in Alabama and in western Florida during his absence from this Territory. He made many friends, enjoyed the best of health and returns in good spirits. He will leave for his home on an evening train.

Elders George A. Whitehead, of Springville; James O. Lambert, of this city; Daniel Moss, of South Bountiful, and Alfred W. Peterson, of this city, called at the NEWS office this afternoon, all having recently returned from the missionary field.

Elder Whitehead left his home on November 4, 1890, and has labored in West Virginia of the Southern States mission. He returned November 18, 1892. Elder Lambert left for his mission Nov. 7th, 1890, and has been laboring in north Alabama and Mississippi. He arrived in this city on Nov. 19th, 1892. Elder Moss left Nov. 4, 1890,

and spent the first nine months in north Alabama. He was then appointed to labor in Mississippi until released to return home. He arrived in Salt Lake City November 20, 1892. Elder Alfred W. Peterson left September 3, 1890, and has been laboring the whole time in south Alabama conference. He arrived in this city November 19, 1892.

The Elders report that they have enjoyed excellent health during their absence and that the mission is in a prosperous condition in the various states they have visited.

Elder Hugh J. Cannon, whose return on November 12th from a mission to Germany has already been briefly mentioned in these columns, states that that mission is in quite a prosperous condition. New fields are constantly being opened up and many opportunities are found of bearing a testimony of the truth. The religious liberty of the German empire is not all that could be desired. The distribution of tracts and the holding of public meetings are generally looked upon with suspicion on the part of the authorities, but conversations in private can be held everywhere and are effective of much good. Elder Cannon left for his field of labor on April 11, 1891 and spent the first eleven months in Leipzig, Saxony. He was then called to Kiel and Hamburg where he labored until called upon to perform the sad duty of conveying the remains of his beloved brother to Salt Lake City. Elder Cannon was in Hamburg during the awful ravages of the cholera. He states that up to the date of his departure, official figures gave the total of deaths as 10,000 of a population of 800,000; but it is thought that the official figures fall very much below the real number of victims of that dread scourge. It was probably the most severe visitation suffered by that city in later centuries. Whole families are dead in many homes. Dr. Koch, the eminent physician, has expressed the fear that the epidemic is likely to return with renewed force in the spring.

Elder Cannon says he has enjoyed good health during his absence and felt much blessed in his labors.

A CHICAGO man who was being held up and robbed by a footpad, yelled so lustily that a policeman ran up and the marauder ran away; whereupon the bluecoat, keenly sensible of his duty to make an arrest at all hazards, dragged the highwayman's victim off to the stationhouse for disturbing the peace.

Our highly esteemed cotemporary the evening NEWS, of Salt Lake, yesterday celebrated its silver wedding with the daily press. Its present editor, twenty-five years ago, was one of its honorary paper carriers, and his route, which comprised the entire western part of the city, required the delivery of sixteen papers. Among his reminiscences he forgets to note that when the task had lost some of its delightful novelty, he found two ready fags in the neighborhood of his home.—Ogden Standard.

The "two ready fags" must be the two affectionate younger brothers who were proud, in consideration of an occasional "ride around the block," to groom the aforesaid carrier's pony.