

plowing at the time the fire occurred and immediately rushed upon the scene but was unable to impede the advancement of the flames.

W. Lindgren, geologist of the United States Geological Survey, appointed by the secretary of the interior to examine and report upon the mineral character of school section 16, within the corporate limits of Tacoma, filed his report with the Olympia, Wash., land office Monday, in which he says the land contains an extremely small amount of gold, of no value for mining purposes. The land in contest was filed upon by John G. McBride formerly a prominent lawyer of Salt Lake City, in 1889, and has been bitterly fought for since. The testimony at the trial showed the value to be a million dollars. The case has been argued before the interior department by Attorney General Jones three times. The testimony at the last examination before the local land office was so conflicting that the secretary of the interior detailed Geologist Lindgren to make a special examination, as a result of which he says the average gold deposit is less than 10 cents per cubic yard, while at the former hearings, in which McBride was charged with salting, McBride's experts testified that certain strata ran as high as 44 cents per cubic yard.

The most serious accident so far reported this week, says the Mount Pleasant Pyramid, is that which happened to Joseph Jones, of Lawrence, Emery county, at Larsen's sawmill east of Spring City Saturday. He was steady- ing the end of a log on a stump with a bandsaw, and others were switching the log around. The end suddenly slipped off, throwing the bandsaw on Jones' shoulder with such force as to cause concussion of the brain, paralysis of the right side and hernia. He was brought to this city for medical treatment. Dr. Woodring reports a very unusual case in the three-months-old baby of Joseph Mowers, of Fairview. Being called to attend the little one for trouble in the chest, found both clavicle or collar bones dislocated at the upper end of the sternum. The parents say nothing to their knowledge has happened to the child, and the injury can be accounted for in no other way than that it was done in lifting the baby by the arms. The doctor has never treated or heard of a similar case. P. Anderson, of Moroni, last week caught a middle finger in the cog- wheels of a pump and it was so badly mashed a portion had to be amputated. One of Simon Beck's boys of Spring City had his left elbow thrown out of place last week while playing leapfrog. Stewart R. Seeley has his face handaged up as the result of being struck Tuesday with a piece of timber which flew into the large belt at Seeley's sawmill and thrown with considerable force toward him.

IDAHO CROP REPORT.

Following is Weather-Crop Bulletin No. 17 of the Idaho state weather service for the week ending Monday, July 29, 1895:

The weather of the past week was very dry and unusually warm, with hot drying winds over nearly the entire state, drying up meadows and unirrigated crops generally. High tempera-

tures and an abundance of sunshine during the week have been very beneficial to all properly irrigated crops, which are making rapid headway. Rain is greatly needed in all sections; the rainfall of the week was very light, accompanying very light thunderstorms which were few and far between. Water in the streams is very low and falling rapidly.

Squirrels are still doing considerable damage to crops over portions of the southern section, while in some parts of the northern section grasshoppers are the cause of complaint.

Continued high temperature is ripening grain very fast; a few farmers in Canyon county have already begun to harvest on a small scale and operations in that section will probably begin in earnest in a few days; over the remainder of the state the crop is not quite ready but advancing rapidly, too much so in some places. Late sown grain has improved somewhat during the week but will probably be a light crop. Oats were being harvested last week in the southern portion of Fremont county.

Potatoes are growing well where properly irrigated; in portions of Bear Lake county they have not fully recovered from late frosts; corn is doing well, as is also garden truck on irrigated land.

Cutting of the first crop of alfalfa is about over; hay is generally of good quality but the crop is light. The second crop of alfalfa is growing rapidly and in a few places it will be ready for cutting this week; in parts of the southern section the second crop will be cut in only a few instances.

Fruit is doing exceedingly well; in the northern portion of the state some of the trees are overloaded. Early peaches and apples are on the market in Canyon county.

D. P. MCCALLUM,
Director.

Central office, Idaho Falls, Idaho,
July 30, 1895.

OBITUARY NOTES.

WILLIAM IRWIN.

Elder William Irwin died at the residence of H. M. Hodges, Lake Town, Rich county, Utah, on Friday morning, July 19th, 1895, at 8:30 o'clock, and was buried on Saturday at 5 p.m.

He went to Meadowville on Sunday, July 14th, as a substitute for home missionary H. M. Hodges, with Elder J. W. Sat erthwaite. After preaching quite a lengthy discourse (in which he bore strong testimony of the Gospel and of his experiences in the Church), the people noticed a peculiarity of speech toward the close of his remarks. He seemed to feel quite uncomfortable on his homeward trip—and when he got to town said he would prefer to walk, and did walk up to the mill, his place of residence and business. When he arrived there he was noticed to stagger around and a neighbor went to see if anything was the matter. He seemed to think it was just fatigue and would feel all right when he would get rested.

In the evening as the supper was ready Mrs. Hodges went to inform him and found him prostrate on the floor, stricken with paralysis. From then his speech gradually left him and he finally succumbed. He died without a struggle, and so far as we could judge we would think that it would be impossible to terminate

this mortal life, except absolutely suddenly, any easier than he did.

The deceased was born in Devonport, England. He had been a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints nearly fifty-two years. He presided for some years over the Devonport and also over the Bristol branches of the Church and emigrated in 1884 to Lake Town, where he has since resided.

He took great delight in visiting the people in their homes, administering to the sick, and particularly in preaching the doctrines of the Church; and it appears to be quite a gratifying coincidence that practically his last words and work on earth were preaching and testifying of the truth of the Gospel. He died in the harness, so to speak, and at the advanced age of 78 years, 5 months and 17 days.

Funeral service was held at the ward meeting house, at which, added to the usual musical exercises, remarks giving a synopsis of the life and labors of the deceased Elder were made by Elders Joseph Irwin, H. M. Hodges, Wm. Gordon, Joshua Eldredge and George H. Webb. At the grave the hymn "O, My Father," was sung and the prayer of dedication was offered by Elder H. M. Hodges. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

JOSEPH IRWIN.

July 31, 1895.

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THE DEAD.

Peaceful be their Rest.

SPENDLOVE.—At Tropic, Garfield Co., Utah July 23, 1895.—Ben Davis, son of William and Alice Spendlove. Born Oct. 13, 1894.

BALL.—In this city July 29th, Eugene Harold, son of Samuel F. and Margaret Poiney Ball. Born September 23, 1894, aged 10 months and 7 days.

NESLEN.—At East Bountiful, Sunday, August 4, 1895, Vivian F., son of Alfred O. and Amanda Neslen; aged 6 months and 3 weeks, of inflammation of the bowels.

QUAYLE.—In Farmers' Ward Monday evening at 8 o'clock, of cholera infantum, Annie Maud, daughter of the late Byron Quayle and Persis Y. Quayle, aged 6 months.

KIRK.—In Salt Lake City, August 5th, 1895, Annie Frances, the beloved wife of George Kirk, a native of Chicago; aged 37 years. Denver papers, please copy.

RICHARDS.—At Denver, Col., July 31st, from injuries received through falling down an elevator shaft, Warren A. Richards. Deceased was formerly employed in this city by J. W. Wheeler, engraver.

COLEMAN.—At Nephi, July 26, 1895, of heart failure, Sarah K., beloved wife of John Coleman, and daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Golden. She leaves two sons and one daughter, and died as she had lived, a faithful Latter-day Saint.

HOWARTH.—At Fountain Green, Sanpete county, Utah, in her 71st year, Ellen Howarth, of Manchester, England. She became a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints about the year 1843, received testimony of its truth and was faithful unto death.

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HARRIS.—At St. Mark's hospital, Salt Lake City, August 4, 1895, of a stone obstruction in the bowels, for which an operation was performed, Mary Ann Harris, wife of John Harris, aged 55 years, 4 months and 4 days.

The deceased was born in Wiltshire, England, but lived in Cheltenham for many years, being baptized there by Elder Moses Thatcher, about thirty years ago. She moved to Cardiff about eight years ago, and came to Utah in May, 1892. She leaves a husband, two sons and two daughters. She was a faithful Latter-day Saint.

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