

merous complaints from citizens of Wetmore, Colo., as to the cruelty practiced by one George Eason and wife upon their children. The Easons have five young children, and it is said that they are all ill fed, ill clothed and subjected to the most cruel persecution from their parents. One of the complaints states that last month he whipped his two oldest boys unmercifully with knotted whips on the day after he had buried his youngest child. It is also stated that it is no infrequent thing for the parents to bundle themselves off to Pueblo for several days, leaving the children to keep house and without food or raiment, the neighbors often having to provide them with the necessities of life. Eason is said to be well off and perfectly able to provide for his family. Secretary Thompson, it is said, will investigate the case immediately.

Advices from the Silver Star mining district, the new camp in Esmeralda county, according to the Reno, Nevada, *Gazette*, are to the effect that everything there looks bright and prosperous. The little mill recently erected is kept continually at work, and there is ore enough on the dumps to keep it running for the next year.

A shooting scrape occurred at Philipsburg, Montana, a few days ago, in which John Ryan, a rounder, was shot and instantly killed by George Terrill, a saloonkeeper. The story goes that Ryan, who was intoxicated, asked for a drink of liquor, which was refused by Terrill, who procured a shotgun from an adjoining room, and after ordering Ryan to leave pulled the trigger, the shot boring a hole through Ryan's head causing instant death.

James and Edward Lipp, brothers, aged 19 and 17 years respectively, presented a pitiable sight when they were taken to the Home for Adult Blind at Oakland, Cal., on Monday afternoon. The brothers are residents of Mukelumne Hill, Calaveras county. They were prosperous and happy not long ago. The boys were walking along the roadway one day, when they came across a mysterious little box. Edward picked the box up and took the lid off to examine the contents. He could not tell what it contained, and so his brother James, who was puffing away on a cigarette, looked over his shoulder. A spark from the cigarette dropped into the box and then there was an explosion and the brothers were thrown into the air. The innocent looking box contained dynamite caps. The brothers were rendered unconscious by the shock and both lost their sight. James also lost his left hand, which was blown to pieces. The parents of the boys are dead, and as they have no means, they are forced to apply to the state for care and shelter.

## OBITUARY NOTES.

MARY VAN NOG CLEGG.

Downey, Idaho, Jan. 10, 1895.—Died at Downey, Idaho, Jan. 4, 1895, Mary Van Nog Clegg. She was born December 20, 1860, in Richmond, Cache county, Utah; was the daughter of William T. and Agnes VanNog. When 16 years of age she married William Clegg. She was a loving wife, a kind mother and a good friend to all who knew her. She was the mother of twelve children, of which the oldest is but 15 years of age, and of

whom two are dead. She died a faithful Latter-day Saint. WILLIAM CLEGG.

FLORENCE AGNES WHITE.

On Monday, December 31st, Florence Agnes, three-year-old daughter of Thomas and Agnes Wotherspoon White, accidentally fell into a tub of boiling water and was severely scalded. Medical aid was called and what could be done for the suffering child was done. But all efforts to save it proved futile. At 1 o'clock a. m. January 2, 1895, death came and ended its miseries. The child was buried on Thursday, the 3rd inst. The parents have the sympathy of the community in their bereavement.—[COMMUNICATED.]

CLARA J. SAVAGE.

Box Creek, Plume county, Utah, Jan. 10, 1895.—Clara J. Savage, aged 26 years, was born November 20, 1868, and died January 8, 1895, in childhood, the child dying first. She was the daughter of Brother and Sister George Kimdley, of the same place, and the true wife of Cornelius Savage, son of Brother and Sister Henry Savage, of Payson. She was a faithful member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and a faithful teacher in our Sabbath school.

The funeral service was held January 10, at 11 a. m., in the school house of Box Creek. There was a large attendance of friends and relatives to pay their last respects to their departed sister and friend.

She leaves a husband, father, mother, sister and brother and many near friends to mourn her loss.

J. O. ANDERSEN.

ISABELLA HOLPELTZ.

Died at Midway December 24th, 1894, Isabella, beloved wife of John Holpeltz Jr., and daughter of Samuel and Hunnah Hair. She was born January 8th, 1867, at London Ayrshire, Scotland. She was baptized April 1st, 1878 at Kelt place, near Kilmarinock, under the hands of Elder D. S. McFarlan. She emigrated with her parents the same year and settled in Midway, Wasatch county, where she resided till her demise. The cause of death was pleuro-pneumonia. She took sick on December 16th and on the 19th gave birth to a premature male child [Ether]. It only survived a few hours and its pure spirit then passed to the life beyond to God who gave it. She was the mother of four children, three boys and one girl; three of them survive her. She was a faithful wife, a devoted mother and a true Latter-day Saint, respected and beloved by all who knew her.

Funeral services were held over her remains in the large meeting house, Bishop Watkins presiding. The opening prayer was offered by J. T. Wilson. Consoling remarks were made by Bishop Watkins, J. B. Wilson, M. Gerber and A. Wootton, Sen., who all spoke of the good qualities and many virtues of the deceased. Benediction was offered by George Wilson. The house was filled to overflowing, and a large cortege of relatives and friends followed her remains to her last resting place, there to sleep in peace till the morning of the first resurrection.

Salt Lake papers and *Millennial Star* please copy.—[Communicated.]

LUCY FERGUSON.

Mrs. Lucy Ferguson, whose death was recorded in yesterday's News, was born in Hatfield, Mass., October 1, 1825. When at the age of 21, while unmarried, she joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, and was the only one of her family that ever embraced the Gospel. She had been working in the factory and had laid up sufficient money to pay her passage from New York to San Francisco. All her folks shunned her after having joined the Church. She sailed from New York on

the ship Brooklyn in Brannan's company, was on the water six months, and landed at San Francisco when that place was a village of about 200 or 300 people. She there met and became acquainted with General James Ferguson, who came to California as one of the Mormon battalion. They were married at San Francisco and then started for Utah. She rode from California to Utah on horseback, landing here in the spring of 1848.

She lived in Salt Lake City with her husband James Ferguson until 1861, when she with her family of five children moved to the town of Lehi, Utah county, where she lived until 1890; then she moved to Salt Lake City, and has since resided with her son, Attorney Barlow Ferguson. She was a faithful Latter-day Saint up to the time of her death. She leaves a large circle of friends and acquaintances to mourn her loss.

She had suffered with a cough for about six years, which with organic heart trouble took her off. She did not suffer a great deal of pain during her last illness. She was surrounded by all her children at the time of her death.

NATHAN DAVIS.

Nathan Davis, who died December 29, 1894, was born in Hanover Township, Columbiana county, Ohio, October 2, 1814. He was raised a Quaker, but was dropped from that church when he was 22 years old for departing from plainness in dress; was married March 31, 1836, to Sarah Woolley. His father died soon after, and he was left in charge of the estate. He was baptized into the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on April 2, 1850, by his brother-in-law, Edwin D. Woolley, and just one year after he started with his family for Salt Lake City, crossing the plains in Isaac Allred's company. He arrived in the city on the 3rd of October, 1851; on December 18, 1852, he was ordained a High Priest, and on February 7, 1853, he was appointed by President Brigham Young to take charge of the machine shop of the public works, located on the Temple block. He held this position for several years. August 26, 1856, he was set apart as first counselor to Bishop Callister, of the Seventeenth ward, filling that position until December 15, 1851, when he succeeded Elder Callister as Bishop of the ward, and held that office until January 1, 1876, when he resigned. In his younger days he sustained a high reputation as a mechanic and business man. In February, 1867, he went East for President Young and purchased about \$30,000 worth of machinery for the manufacture of woollen goods and shipped it to the valley. From 1869 to 1872 he held the position of master mechanic on the Utah Central railway. In 1873 he established an iron foundry in the Seventeenth ward under the firm name of Nathan Davis & Sons. He was territorial sealer of weights and measures from 1858 to 1859, and again from 1886 to 1890. At an early day he served several terms in the Salt Lake City Council. He has also served as school trustee and filled numerous other positions of honor and trust.

He was the father of sixteen children, and left numerous grand children and great-grandchildren. Since the time he first became a Latter-day Saint he has ever been known for his faithfulness and integrity in the cause of truth.

WILLIAM ELMER.

Ogden City, Utah, Jan. 6, 1895.—Elder William Elmer, whose demise occurred December 15, 1894, joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in very early times. He was the son of John Elmer and Sally Peque. He was born at Norwich, Chittenden county, Vermont, September 16, 1820. He with all his father's family were baptized into