

"The excitement in Trebizond began about October 2nd, when an attempt was made on the life of the ex-vaiv of Van. He was shot and wounded by an Armenian revolutionist, who has not yet been captured, and is supposed by the government to be concealed somewhere in the city.

"Until Monday, October 7th, matters seemed to be quieting down, when an incident stirred up the excitement anew. On the previous Friday night the son of a leading Turk of the town was wounded on the street, some say by one of his own companions, others, that he was shot by an Armenian whom he was trying to arrest. On Monday he died and the funeral revived the excitement in an intensified form, and loud and many were the threats of massacre that night, and hundreds of the Armenians rushed to places of safety. The next morning, October 8th, all dispersed in the hope that the danger was passed. Men went to their shops and were encouraged to open them, as they had not done for two or three days previous.

"Suddenly, like a clap of thunder in a clear sky, the trouble began. Unsuspecting people walking along the streets were shot ruthlessly down. Men standing or sitting quietly at their shop doors were instantly dropped with a bullet through their heads or hearts. Their aim was deadly, and I have heard of no wounded men. Some were gashed with swords until life was extinct. They passed through the quarters where only old men, women and children remained, killing the men and large boys, generally permitting the women and younger children to live.

For five hours this horrid work of inhuman butchery went on, the cracking of musketry, sometimes like a volley from a platoon of soldiers, but more single shots from near and distant spots. The cracking in of doors and the thud of sword blows sounded on our ears. Then the sound of musketry died away, and the work of looting began. Every shop of an Armenian in the market was gutted, and the victors in this cowardly and brutal way glutted themselves with the spoils. For hours bales of broadcloth, cotton goods and every conceivable kind of merchandise passed along without molestation to the homes of the spoilers.

"The intention was evidently to impoverish and as nearly as possible to blot out the Armenians of this town. So far as appearances went the police and soldiers distinctly aided in this savage work. Not one of the perpetrators of these outrages has been arrested or disarmed, but all have moved about with the utmost freedom to accomplish their nefarious purposes.

"On the other hand, many of the Armenians are in prison. While I write the walls of the newly bereaved fall on my ears. Some in suspense wait to know the fate of their missing ones; others rejoice at greeting them again. Throngs fill the schools under foreign protection and the consulate. There is no telling how many have perished. Four hundred is a moderate estimate—probably that figure will rise much higher, and how far the massacre will sweep through the villages, remains to be seen."

LONDON, Nov. 1.—A dispatch from Constantinople to the Times which will

be published tomorrow, says that, having put the Armenian question on the track of settlement, Kiamil Pasha has asked the sultan to relieve him of the grand viziership, which has exhausted him, and which demands the physical and mental energies of a younger man. The sultan, in reply, peremptorily declared that he could not dispense with his services.

The dispatch adds that official news has been received in Constantinople of fresh disturbances in Erzeroum, Orfah and Zeitun. Fifty persons have been killed and wounded at Erzeroum.

#### BRIEF LOCAL PARAGRAPHS.

[Millennial Star Oct. 17.]

RELEASE.—Elder Louis B. Inghurst, who has been laboring as traveling Elder in the Cheltenham conference, received a telegram stating that there was sickness in his family and asking him to come home. He was accordingly released and left for home on September 26.

The report of the health department for the week ending Nov. 2, gives the following:

Births, 35; males, 19; females, 16.

Deaths, 13; males, 1; females, 12.

Received from other places for interment, 1.

Contagious diseases: Flaga outstaring, 16; scarlet fever, 15; diphtheria, 1.

Infectious diseases reported for the week: Typhoid fever, 8.

Dr. Clarence Barrett, a chemist of this city, has applied for a patent on what he claims is an important discovery whereby the illuminating properties of natural gas are greatly augmented. He causes the gas to pass through a box containing chemicals, whereby it becomes charged with carbon, the result being a blaze of great brilliancy. A lot from natural gas so treated is being shown side by side with a jet of the ordinary manufactured gas, in the plumbing establishment of J. W. Farrell & Co., on East Temple street.

Interested parties may investigate for themselves. If the invention is what it claims to be, it is an important one, and will greatly enhance the usefulness of natural gas.

ECOFIELD, Oct. 31, 1895.

There is considerable sickness again in Ecofield and Winter Quarters, especially among the children. Several families are quarantined for scarlet fever. Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Harrison's infant boy died this morning.

The P. V. Coal Co. is having considerable trouble with the No. 1 mine at Winter Quarters, mining through 460 feet of rock and 750 feet of coal in encounter more rock. It is hoped, however, the second fault or jump will not be so serious as the first.

The Kimball mine is kept quite busy furnishing coal to the teams that come from Utah Valley.

Brother Andrew Hood and the Sunday school children of Winter Quarters have started to practice for a concert, the proceeds to go to the Sunday school.

MORMON BOY.

As a sequel to the reception given Bishop Thorn, of the Seventh ward, at his residence on Friday evening last, October 25, on which occasion he was honored by the presence of Presidents George Q. Cannon and Joseph

F. Smith, the presidency of the Stake and presiding Bishop Preston, from whom he received many kind congratulations on attaining his eightieth year, and words of eulogy for his energetic and fatherly labors in his bishopric, another reception was held in the ward meeting house where numerous members of his flock, old and young, gathered on Monday evening last to further do him honor in greater number than could possibly assemble at his home. Many pleasing musical selections were rendered under the leadership of Elder Wm. H. Foster, who has filled that position many years. The program was enlivened by other musical selections. Many of his old time associates were present, among them being H. Dinwoodey, George Whitaker, Thomas Woodbury, Wm. McLachlan and Sister Lambert. In short speeches they reviewed his past labors and untiring diligence for the temporal and spiritual benefit of those over whom he has so long presided, and many reminiscences of the "Jays of old Lang syne" were brought from the mental storehouses of the speakers. A few hours of much enjoyment were spent together. May there be many more such.

It is contemplated, it is said, to present the worthy Bishop with a life-size portrait of himself, and also to adorn the walls of the ward meeting house with a facsimile.

The anniversary of the birth of the late General Daniel H. Wells, in accordance with a family custom, was appropriately celebrated Friday night at the residence of one of his daughters, Mrs. Beile Sears, in Waterloo addition.

The actual date of the anniversary was on the 27th of October, but its observance was postponed until last night to admit of the attendance of some members of the family who were unable to be here at that time. Altogether last night's commemoration was a most pleasant and successful affair and as such will long be remembered by the wives, families and other relatives of the general who had the good fortune to be present. Four sons were absent, one being in the United States army, one on a mission in England—from both of these appropriate letters were received and read—one being in Idaho on business and the other is a distant point in this Territory. The gathering was characterized by many pleasant and cheerful expressions which were highly appreciated by the happy and glad some throng. A particularly interesting feature was the reading of addresses on various aspects of the general's life by different members of the family. Others, the last few days contributed a commemoration of his memory by performing Temple work for him a report of which was made at the gathering. During the evening musical selections were rendered in a manner that added materially to the pleasure of the occasion. Refreshments were also served.

The Lehi, Utah county, Banner says the stockyards now being erected at that place by the Lehi Cattle Feeding company, backed by the Utah Slaughtering company, are nearing completion. The Banner says: The yards are due south of the Utah Sugar factory and between that institution and the lake. There are ten corrals in the