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Girls Who Talked by Lightning a Generation Ago. tah Boys and

HE men who composed the militory telegraph were the very nerves of the army. The military telegraph was everywhere. It bound every brigade, division and corps of the army tegether and connected them up with the commander-inchief in Washington; if you can show me any achievement, in this world of the telegraph greater than what the hoys achieved during those years I would like to see it recorded. There was no factor in that Grand Army of the Republic that brought about this great actional prosperity, there was no factor, I say, greater, more powerful than the telegraph boys that were in that army, "--Colonel Wilson at the telegraphers' banquet, Milwaukee,

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With tributes such as these ringing in their ears, is it a wonder that a great revival of interest is going on among the veteran knights of the key. They banded together as far back as 1880 as the Old Time Telegraphers' and Historical association, but only recently has the movement become so wide-spread that every state and territory in the Union has its representation in the flourishing organization, and its mem-bers are working with remarkable eneigy for the increase of the member-

ship. Here in Utah, where the representa-tion is as great. If not greater, per capi-ta, as any state in the Union, E. Burke Spencer of the Oregon Short Line tele-graph department, is develop his best efforts to fluding the old timers of the Deseret Telegraph system, and all others who are eligible. Only those who were telegraphers for a period of five years or more, and in the business prior to 25 years ago are eligible.

The accompanying picture shows the possibilities in Utah. It gives the features of all the operators on the Des-eret, from Paris, Ida., to St. George, Utab, in 1877. Their names are as follows:

Reading from left to right, top row: W. C. A. Bryan, Hattie Curtis, J. J. Fitzgeraid, Anna D. Irons, Richard S. Horne, Anna Maria Larsen, R. E. Quarm, Emma S. Simons, Second row: Tempest, Mary Buchannan, Ellen Lunt, Tempest, Hary Buchannan, Ellen Lunt, Thunnison, D. E. Thompson, P. F. H. Thunnison, D. E. Thompson, P. F.
Madsen, Third row: L. W. Johnson,
S. D. Beebe, H. J. Spencer, E. B. Spencer, L. C. Mariger, Mary A. Layton, E.
G. Taylor, M. B. Morrison, Fourth row: D. M. Tyler, Marle M. Miller,
W. E. Maycock, G. E. Miliar, Mrs. Carrle Straleson, K. Torgeson, N. J.
Bates, Mrs. E. B. Eryan, Fifth row:
H. E. Hatch, E. Evans, M. M. Find-lay John P. Bash, Miss Johnson, Willay, John P. Bush, Miss Johnson, William F. Parr, Julia Budge, J. R. Donel-

The four on the left side, reading down, are D. Egbert, Perry C. West, Lewis Anderson, H. J. Hill. On the right: J. C. Bentley, M. Smith, R. P. Morris, now mayor of Salt Lake, and Ella Wilson.

The center plece at the top of the pic-



A RARE GROUP OF OLD DESERET TELEGRAPH OPERATORS, MANY OF WHOM LONG SINCE ANSWERED THE "LAST GREAT MESSAGE."

ture is a design illustrative of electric

that of the operators pictured in the some three months younger than out, the following have since died: H. George, he having been born in Feb-Thunnison, Mrs. M. Smith, E. G. Tay-ruary, she in May, of the same year, 1732. "Again, how many American women know that Martha Washington spent much time with her husband in the rude and comfortless camps of the Revolutionary soldier?' She nursed them; she sewed garments for them; she knitted stockings for them. At the time of their greatest need she gave out of her private fortune \$20,000 of the 1732. Mother of Her Country.

American countries.

oney of the time, all she could get, to relieve their wants. "How many of you know that Mar-

set, to relieve their wants. "How many of you know that Mar-tha Washington shares with the gener-al and his starving. Inceshig army the retreat to Valley Forge and the ter-rible winter there? Nobody answers? Well, I never knew it mys-if dill i was-ington's birthday data. Martha Wash-ington role behind the general on his-bay charger from Whitemarsh to Val-ley Forge and remained there in camp. Washington's solders loved and rer-erenced her-how much we may know from the fact that they always called her 'Ledy Washington," never Mrs. Washington, Not long before her death she destroyed all of her hus. band's private letters, especially those to herself, that she could lay her bands on. That is really one of the eleverest thin's she ever did. H was synthesed thin's she ever did. It was est and

thin 's she ever did. It was ex; 'sided kne b of the 'freedom and simplicity' of expression in those intimate episties. "This noble hedy died May 22, 1392. She made her will March 4 of that year. and the last clause in it is one that secunds odd enough in our time.' I give to my grandson, George Washington to my grandson, George Washington Parke Custis, my mulatto man Elish, that I bought of Mr. Butler Washing-ton, to him and his heirs forever." "Talk of 'mental scientists!" Marina

Washington lived their doctrines much Washington lived their doctrines much over a century ago and thought no great things of herself either. In what is probably the bangest letter of hers on record she writes: 'I am still deter-mined to be cheerful and happy in whatever situation I may be, for I have also learned from experience that the also learned from experience that the greater part of our happiness or misery depends on our disposition and not on wur circumstances. We carry the seeds of the one or the other about with us wherever we go."

Startling Evidence.

Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in, declaring Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption Aing's New Discovery for Consumption Coughs and Colds to be unequaled. A recent expression from T. J. McFarland Bentonville, Va., serves as example, He writes: "I had Bronchitis for three years and doctored all the time with, out being benefited. Then I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery, and a few bottles wholly cured me "Emeti a few bottles wholly cured me." Equally effective in curing all "Lung and Throat troubles, Consumption, Pneu-mona and Grip. Guaranteed by Z. C. M. I. Drug Store. Trial bottles free, regular sizes 50c. and \$1.00.

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Catarrh.

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telegraphy. Beneath it is a large plc-ture of Samuel F, B. Morse, and under that a photograph of Superintendent W. B. Dougail, who owns the plcture. The figures "73" occur in the plcture, and a layman would naturally suppose that it referred to the year in which the plcture was made. The truth is far from that supposition. In telegraphy, the figurese "73" represent "Best wishes," or "Kind regards," much the same as the figure 1 means "Walt a minute." minute.

The picture was complled by Burke Spencer, then a boy of 18, working in the office of President Brigham Young under Superintendent Dougall. It reunder superintendent Dougal. It fe-quired six months' time, for under the limited facilities of the day, photog-raphy in the country was done almost entirely by wagons traveling through. and the photographs were slow, indeed, to come in. Young Spencer worked ar-duously on the gift, and finally got it into shape for presentation on a Christ-mas day. Since then it has occupied a conspicuous spot in the home of Mr. Dougall.

Spencer was but a beginner at this time, but he made remarkable progress and after a few years won many recand after a few years won many rec-ords for swiftness in sending and re-ceiving. He was so proficient along in 1886, while at Spokane, that a paper there saw fit to remark: "Speaking of rare skill, we saw Burke Spencer yes-terday playing a game of chess and taking a report over the wire at the same time." In 1889, at Tacoma, Spen-cer accountished the remarkable feat same time." In 1889, at Tacoma, Spen-cer accomplished the remarkable feat of receiving 3,551 words in 70 minutes, which is an average of 50 wards per minute. This gave him a reputation which led to his traveling a great deal, never experiencing difficulty in securing a place to work place to work.

a place to work. This year the association for which Mr. Spencer is working so carnestly will meet at Atlanta, Ga. The convention will be held during September. There are 1,500 members now, 60 of them in



E. BURKE SPENCER. Expert Telegrapher-How He Looked At 17.

Utah, but before the convention it is hog.d the number will be largly aug-mented. Some names recently added to the membership roll by Mr. Spencer are: A. M. Musser, R. P. Morris, D. A. Swan, J. V. Hampton, M. Wilkinson, E. H. Pierce, W. E. Maycock, F. God-be, Josiah Rogerson, T. J. Mackintosh, S. A. Kenner, C. E. Randall, J. E. Clinton, M. C. Morris, F. G. Luke, R. W. Young, M. E. '. Neff, Mrs. A. W. McCune, Ida Coomes, A. G. Hatch, W. J. Cowler, W. W. Woodside, E. Evans, A. Han'n, Gideon S. Wood, Mrs. Zina Wood Cummings, Gladys C. Shores and Mrs. Mary A. McLean, Lawrence Ci Utah, but before the convention it is Mrs. Mary A. McLean, Lawrence C. Mariger, O. D. Banks, Wm. McMillan, Through the kindness of Superintendent Dougall, the "News" ascertains

lor, K. Torgeson, Mrs. E. B. Bryan, J. J. Fitzgerald, E. Evans, D M. Tyler, John P. Bush and William F. Parr.

Martha Washington,

The following address was given at a recent meeting of one of the California clubs:

"Of all the people that knew George Washington, who was the one and only individual that ever dared literally to buttonhole him, actually to seize the Father of His County by his waistcoat button and hold him familiarly to command his attention?" Nobody answered. "Well," continued

Nobody answered. "Well," continued Mrs. Allby, "it was his wife, Martha Washington. She was the only person in history who ever dared to 'sass' George Washington. Nelle Parke Cus-tis, Mrs. Washington's granddaughter, ofter saw her grandmother selze the august soldier and hold him while she poured her wishes into his er. and the poured her wishes into his ear, and the girl says the general at once became attentive to her and her wishes.' It is also recorded that on one occasion a guest visiting at Mount Vernon heard

Mrs. Washington giving it to her hus-band hot and heavy in a curtain lec-ture, which he did not resent even by talking back. By the way, ladies, what was Martha Washington's malder. name?"

name?" And it was a fact that only two of the History club knew that it was Mar-tha Danridge. Mrs Allby explained that the grl Martha "came out" in so-clety at the age of 15. "It is very cld, too," continued Mrs, Allby, "but the fame of Martha Wash-ington is so obscured by that of her bushand as, or make it difficult to as-

husband as o make it difficult to as-certain the exact jate of her birth. Leading encyclopedias do not give it. We only learn from them that she was

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*************** JOHN BRANT,

Secretary Old Time Telegraphers' Association.

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