

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY, APRIL 27.

Mrs. Amanda Melvina McDowell is desirous of knowing of her uncle, Charles Stewart, whether he is dead or not, and of his family's whereabouts. Brother Stewart, I am informed, joined the Mormons many years ago and moved to Utah, and the last Mrs. McDowell heard of him he was residing in Pleasant Grove in Utah county. If this should fall under his notice or that of any of his family or friends, they will do a favor by giving the writer the desired information.

Elder Andrew Dudley Jr., 415 W. Sanborn St., Winona, Minn.

The Erie Canal, on account of its situation and length, of course, transports the greatest amount of freight. On this canal, which is owned and kept up by New York state, the boats, which are worth from \$2,000 to \$3,000 each, are owned entirely by the canalmen. The cabins of some of the boats on this canal are comfortably, almost luxuriously furnished. One canalman, who is known to be worth over \$100,000, lives with his family on one of his boats, the cabin of which is furnished with taste and has every convenience and comfort which money can purchase.—From Life on the Canal, in Godey's Magazine for May.

Idaho Falls, Idaho, April 26, 1898.—The week ending Monday, April 25, 1898, was clear and warm, except on the 20th and 21st, when refreshing showers were reported in all parts; these were much needed, especially in the southern part of the state. The nights were very cool, and on several dates light frosts occurred in various localities.

The week was favorable for farm work, and spring seeding progressed well, now being practically completed over the larger part of the state. In the main the soil is in good condition, though there are numerous complaints of drought, and some farmers entertain fears that grain will have to be irrigated up. Where these parched conditions are not present seeds are germinating well, and plants taking up vigorous and rapid growth; alfalfa is starting out nicely, as are also range and other grasses. The general tone of reports indicates exceptionally good prospects for fruits, large and small.

D. P. McCALLUM,
Section Director.

Ephraim, Sanpete County,

April 25, 1898.

The flags are flying all over town, and enthusiastic citizens are reading the bulletins of the progress of the war as received here by wire by the enterprising druggist, Mr. H. P. Larsen.

While the war news sends the blood coursing through the veins of the patriotic citizens around the bulletin boards, the quarterly session of the Sunday school session of the Stake was in session, quietly discussing questions for the forwarding of that great institution. A large representation of the wards of the Stake was present, Stake Superintendent Newton E. Noyes presiding.

The morning session was devoted to hearing reports from the superintendents of the several ward schools; in the afternoon Elder Abram Johnson, superintendent of the Mount Pleasant schools, gave an interesting account of his travels and labors as a Sunday school missionary in the Stake. He was followed by Christian Willardson, who has also been laboring in the same position. Dr. J. M. Tanner (of the Stake Sunday school board) from Logan, gave an interesting lecture on

"Reverence." The closing remarks were made by Elder S. Peterson.

On Sunday, home missionaries, Elders Baxter and Blane of Spring City, addressed the Saints at their large meeting house. In the evening a conjoint meeting of the Improvement Associations, was held, and a pleasing and instructive program was rendered.

Several dwelling houses are in course of erection. A new store is being built by T. W. Hansen immediately opposite the Union Hotel; Ephraim is prospered and a brisk business air prevails on her main streets.

A. J.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, APRIL 28.

What came near being a very serious accident, says the Mammoth Record, happened at the Ajax mine Sunday morning at 11:30. Gustave Schmidt while attempting to get out of the way of a blast fell thirty feet into a chute, striking on his head and shoulders, but fortunately sustained no serious injuries. Dr. Field, of Eureka, was called and after a careful examination concluded it was not necessary to send the patient to the hospital. Latest reports say that Mr. Schmidt is resting easy, much to the joy of his many friends in this and adjoining camps, where he is very popular.

Richfield Advocate: Last Sunday Dr. H. K. Neill diagnosed a disease in the homes of J. H. Payne and Wm. Sampson, Glenwood, found it to be diphtheria and quarantined both places. At the Payne residence a 5-year-old daughter died Sunday, an 18-months-old son died Monday and another 6-year-old boy is now in a precarious condition. Mr. Sampson's 15-year-old daughter has the disease and may not live. Mrs. St. John of this place is the physician at both places. Dr. Neill believes the disease had taken hold of its victims three or four days before he was summoned to make the quarantine.

Mammoth Record: Evan Jones, fireman on the Alice which piles between the Mammoth mine and mill, met with a painful accident at 8:20 Wednesday morning. An empty car was being run into the round house at Mammoth, when Jones attempted to put a block under the car, it rebounded and struck him on the head and rendered him unconscious. In falling his left leg lay across the rail, when the wheel caught his foot and passed upwards to the knee, mangling the member in a horrible manner. He also received bruises about the shoulders and back. Dr. D. O. Minor was hastily summoned and made the patient as comfortable as possible. He was removed to the residence of his brother, who is engineer on the same line. It has not yet been decided whether his removal to the hospital will be necessary.

John Olson, an experienced miner, met his death in the Mercur mine yesterday by falling sixty feet down a winze.

The man was working on the 400-foot level of the Resolute incline and he and his brother Charles had just prepared some shots to loosen the mineral. Charles went to the surface to hoist his brother to the top when the signal would be given, and was prepared in that work when John slipped from the rope and was precipitated to the bottom, a distance of sixty feet. While falling he shots went off and John's body was afterwards found buried in the loose dirt. Life was extinct.

An inquest before a coroner's jury brought out a verdict of accidental death. The deceased had two brothers

in the camp—Charles and Otto—and all here are well known miners. John was forty years of age and unmarried. His body was brought to this city for interment.

Washington, D. C., April 28.—The Senate after passing a number of bills, to which there was no objection, including one to open the asphaltum and gilsonite sands in Utah to entry, at 2 p.m. adjourned.

Senator Butler of North Carolina, has presented a resolution providing that the United States bonded indebtedness should not be increased but the cost of war be defrayed by taxing incomes and coining the silver seigniorage. It went over.

The chaplain of the Senate today invoked the Divine blessing upon the army and navy of the United States, praying that they be kept under the protection of His good providence, and bringing their efforts to a speedy and glorious success.

Mr. Pascoe, of Georgia, presented memorials from the Georgia board of trade regarding the interference with the coast wise trade. Mr. Pascoe said that the matter was becoming serious, as American vessels were being forced to refuse business. He thought the commerce committee ought to consider the subject promptly, and the memorials were referred to that committee.

Scofield, Carbon County, Utah,

April 26, 1898.

To the Editor:

The people of Scofield are showing their patriotism in a substantial manner. A company of thirty have volunteered its services to aid in giving Cuba its independence.

The coal mines at Winter Quarters continue to work about half time with no better prospects for the future in view.

Sister Mary E. Lewis, wife of David W. Lewis, died on the 22nd inst. She was one of the oldest residents in Winter Quarters, having resided here for fourteen years. She died as she had lived, a faithful Latter-day Saint.

P. H. Wychley and Margaret Ann Edwards were married at the home of the bride's parents Saturday evening, April 23rd.

Brother William Howells, an old resident here, has just left us, intending to make his home in southern Utah. He had not decided just where he would locate.

We are having very good weather here. The snow has almost disappeared and vegetation begins to show the return of spring.

A. G.

County Fruit Tree Inspector John P. Sorensen is just now actively engaged in posting in conspicuous places, rules for orchard disinfection as formulated and adopted by the state board of horticulture at its meeting in January last. The inspector says that spraying will be in order right away, just as soon as the blossoms drop, and in this connection he urges upon all who propose doing work for hire, to apply to him immediately for the necessary permit. Mr. Sorensen says the work will be a source of employment for men now unemployed, and he hopes that all who propose entering this field will make application to him immediately. Three of the rules being distributed are as follows:

"Rule 1—All diseased or decayed branches or rubbish or debris harboring insects of any description or fungus growth shall be removed from grounds and destroyed by burning; also all decayed and fallen fruit shall be removed at least once each week from the orchard.

"Rule 2—Any and all apple, pear, quince, or other fruit-growing trees, shrubs, or vines, found to be infested with the codling moth, tent caterpillar, pear slug, or other leaf-eating or biting