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FIFTY-FOURTH YEAR.

## FIFTEEN MINERS CRUSHED TO DEATH.

Cage in the Independence at Victor  
Falls Fifteen Hundred  
Feet.

## FIRST WENT INTO THE CALLOWS.

Engineer Could Not Stop the Engine  
And Everything Was Beyond  
His Control.

## MEN WERE TERRIBLY MANGLED.

Squad of Militiamen Takes Charge of  
Property. No One Being Allowed  
In the Shaft House.

Victor, Colo., Jan. 26.—As a result  
of an accident which occurred about 3  
o'clock this morning at the Stratton  
Independence mine located near the  
center of this city, 15 men are dead and  
one other severely injured. The list of  
dead and injured is as follows:

DEAD.  
W. R. Frazier.  
John Sebeck.  
Joe Sebeck.  
Edward Twigg.  
L. A. Wagoner.  
H. A. Yeoman.  
Edward Smith.  
Joe Overy.  
H. F. Brown.  
W. B. Collins.  
J. L. Steward.  
Frank Cochran.  
L. E. Jackson.  
Harry Goegen.  
C. C. Staten.

## INJURED.

James Bullock, body bruised and  
scalp wounds.

In the main shaft of the mine 15 men  
were being hoisted in the cage from  
the sixth, seventh and eighth levels.  
When the cage got to the surface in the  
shaft house the engineer, for some reason  
unexplained, was unable to stop the  
cage and the cage, with its load of  
men, was drawn up into the  
gallows frame where it became lodged  
temporarily. The strain on the cable  
caused it to part, releasing the cage,  
which went down the shaft at a terrific  
momentum. Two of the occupants of  
the cage, however, had become entan-  
gled with the timber rods near the top  
of the gallows frame and one of them,  
L. P. Jackson, was crushed to death by  
the shaft wheel falling upon him. The  
other, James Bullock, had a marvelous  
escape from death but received painful  
injuries. He was rescued from his peril-  
ous position by men in the shaft house.

The shift boss and a number of min-  
ers went down into the mine  
through another compartment of the  
shaft and found that all the 14 men  
who started with the cage on its wild  
flight of 1,500 feet to the bottom of  
the shaft were dead, their bodies be-  
ing scattered at the stations at different  
points. Their arms and bodies were  
mangled, their heads crushed and their  
clothing stripped from their bodies.  
From the 700-foot level to the bottom  
the shaft is splattered with blood, with  
here and there pieces of flesh clinging  
to projections. At the bottom of the  
shaft stands 25 feet of water and into  
this the cage plunged. Some of the  
men were carried with the cage into  
this slum.

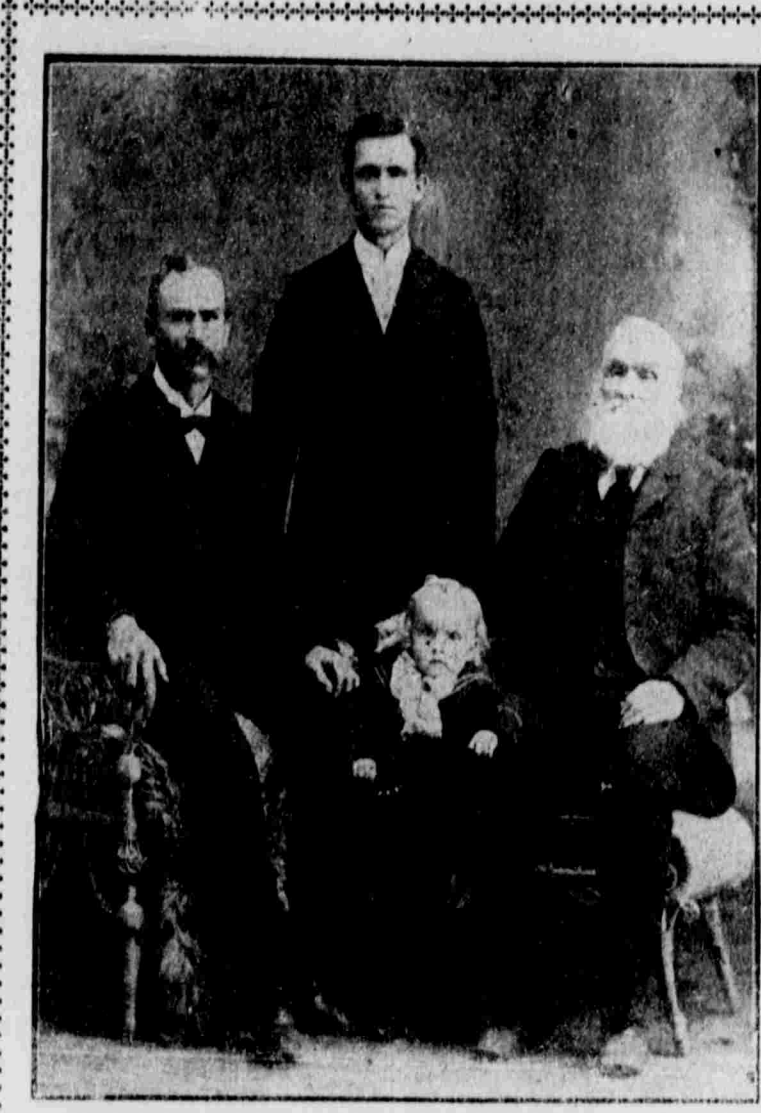
Manager Thomas Cornish was pros-  
trated by the news of the accident and  
unable as yet to offer any explana-  
tion of the affair.



**MRS. COLONEL HIGGINS,**  
Chief Secretary of the Salvation Army Slum and Rescue Work.  
Tomorrow will be an interesting day in the work of the local Salvation  
Army people. It is expected that Mrs. Col. Higgins will arrive here on the  
morning train accompanied by Mrs. William Brewer, a noted Army soloist,  
and Adj. Hansen, who will have charge of the stereopticon display in the  
theater for tomorrow night's lecture, which by the way, is causing consid-  
erable talk. The outlook is that it will be very well attended.  
Mrs. Col. Higgins is the wife of Col. Edward J. Higgins, who is the  
chief secretary of the Salvation Army in the United States, and national sec-  
retary for slum and rescue work, an office in which she has had wide ex-  
perience, having been in the army work for more than 20 years. She is now  
on a tour of inspection, and is giving a thrilling lecture on the life and work  
of the late Consul Emma Booth-Tucker. She has been having large crowds to  
hear her on the trip from the east, and the hope is for a crowded house at  
the theater tomorrow night.  
Arrangements were made today for a meeting of Salvationists at Murray  
this evening. It will be addressed by Col. French.

## CAME HERE WITH PIONEERS. NOT ONE WILL BE BROUGHT OUT ALIVE.

Death of Henson Walker, Bodyguard of the Prophet,  
First Mayor of Pleasant Grove, and a Highly Re-  
spected and Well Known Citizen of Utah.



FOUR GENERATIONS OF THE WALKERS.  
With Henson Walker, the Deceased Pioneer, on the Extreme Right.

Henson Walker, one of the pioneers  
of 1847, and for ten years Bishop of  
Pleasant Grove, died at his home there  
Sunday at 3:30 p. m. of general debility,  
at the ripe age of nearly 84 years.  
The deceased was a prominent figure in  
Church history, and passed through the  
trying scenes of early days without a  
murmur. For a number of years he  
was mayor of Pleasant Grove and filled  
other positions of trust with honor to  
himself and his constituents. The  
funeral will be held from the Pleasant  
Grove meetinghouse tomorrow, Wed-  
nesday, at 2 p. m.  
Henson Walker was the son of Hen-  
son Walker and Matilda Arnell, and  
was born March 13, 1820, in Manchester,  
Ontario county, N. Y. When he was  
fifteen years of age he came west to  
Michigan and in April, 1840, Henson  
was baptized into the Church by Elder  
Mephioseth Serrine. In 1841 he mar-  
ried Martha Cook and at the close of  
that year he was ordained a Teacher  
and began a life of unswerving devo-  
tion to his religion. In 1842 he went  
to Illinois and visited the city of Na-  
miah with him and became ac-  
quainted with the Prophet Joseph. A lit-  
tle later he was ordained a Seventy and  
became actively engaged in the work  
of the ministry. In the summer of  
1843 his wife died, leaving him with a  
son five months old to care for. On  
April 10, 1846, he married Elizabeth  
Foutz, the wife who survives him.

Manager Schetz of the Harwick  
Mines States This as His  
Firm Belief.

## VOLUNTEERS ARE NOW NEEDED.

To Work Back to Where Men Are Im-  
prisoned—Adolph Gonia's Mir-  
aculous Escape.

Pittsburg, Jan. 26.—The last hope for  
the lives of any of the 184 men en-  
tombled in the Harwick mine of the Al-  
legheny Coal company two miles from  
Cheswick, Pa., was given today when  
George W. Schetz, manager of the  
mine, admitted that he believed that  
not one of them would be brought up  
alive. Now the cry is for more men to  
come to the work of rescue. Volunteers  
are needed to work back through the  
debris to where the miners are impris-  
oned and where possibly some may  
have managed to survive.

## TAYLOR'S DEATH.

Taylor, who was one of the best  
known mining engineers in western  
Pennsylvania, lost his life in an ef-  
fort to save the lives of the entombed  
men. He had planned and plotted the  
mine and was called by the Allegheny  
Coal company as the man best fitted to  
lead the rescue party. He went down  
into the mine bravely and with him  
went four other men. One of them,  
George Harwick, was brought from the  
pit a short time before Taylor's life-  
less body came to the surface. An-  
other of the rescue party, Tom Wood,  
tried desperately to save his compan-  
ions, but felt the deadly nausea com-  
ing on and was forced to leave them  
to their fate. Then others took up  
the work, two at a time. All night  
they went up and down in the tem-  
porarily rigged bucket. The main obsta-  
cle was the rope from mining towers in  
the shaft. Then there were no living  
ones to save. Adolph Gonia, the only  
one of the miners in the pit when the  
explosion occurred to be brought to the  
surface alive, was rescued by Selwyn  
Taylor. But there were no lives to  
save, there were dead to be found and  
all night long the volunteers toiled,  
gaining headway here and there until  
they were forced by exhaustion to quit  
their labors.

U. G. Hatch of Cleveland, one of the  
principal owners of the mine, together  
with a number of other Cleveland men  
associated with him, arrived here this  
morning. Mr. Hatch said he could not  
talk about the terrible disaster until he  
learned the facts on the ground. He  
said he believed they had as safe a  
mine as any in which gas is found.  
They had taken every precaution  
known to mining engineering but, he  
said, "something unforeseen fired the

## LUKBAN ARRESTED FOR CONSPIRACY

Manila, Jan. 26.—Gen. Vicente  
Lukban, formerly of Samar, and the  
instigator of the Balangua and  
other atrocities, has been ar-  
rested here. He is charged with  
conspiracy in connection with  
Gomez Riquarte, whose conduct  
attracted considerable attention  
during the Smith-Waller cam-  
paign.

## APPEALS FOR SKILLED MEN.

On reaching the mine Mr. Hatch ad-  
ded to the urgent appeals for the aid  
of skilled men to penetrate the mine to  
rescue the living and to recover the  
dead bodies. That is, indeed, the cry-  
ing need of the hour. Doctors and oxygen  
are on the ground ready for the fanning  
of any feeble spark of life that  
may be found in any of the bodies. But  
they are almost hopeless. They say the  
death of Mr. Taylor, who was overcome  
before he reached the main body of  
men, proves that it was almost im-  
possible for the imprisoned men to free  
themselves. Some of the older miners say  
there is only one chance in a thousand  
that there is a life in the mine beyond  
the rescue party.

Up to 10 o'clock no further attempt  
had been made to enter the mine, and  
no bodies have been recovered since  
that of Taylor was brought up last  
night.

## ONE MAN RESCUED.

In the temporary hospital which has  
been made of the schoolhouse nearby,  
are two men, Adolph Gonia, the only  
miner of those caught in the explo-  
sion, who has been rescued. His face  
and upper part of his body is badly  
burned. Gonia says that at the time  
of the explosion he was between the  
sixth and seventh headings on the south  
shaft and managed to get to the bottom  
of the shaft. He did not know the fate  
of the others.

A committee from the United Mine  
workers is at the mine to represent the  
organization.

After a survey of the ground and the  
conditions following the explosion the  
committee agreed that there was little  
hope of the men in the mine being alive.  
The call for all in clothing, the rescue  
age of the mine issued this morning bore  
results, but at 1 o'clock this afternoon  
no word had been received from any of  
the men entombed. Volunteers pressed  
about the ropes from mining towers in  
the neighborhood and as fast as the  
little bucket could take them down they  
went with willing and determined faces.  
In all of the group of experienced min-  
ers who gathered there today not one  
could be found who would say that he  
believed that 10 more living men would  
be brought from the darkness beyond  
the bottom of the shaft.

## LITTLE APPARENT EXCITEMENT.

There is little apparent excitement in  
the hamlet about the mine, although  
every husband and father in the place  
has not been heard from for 36  
hours. But to the men who heard the  
wailing in the early hours just before  
dawn when the wives and mothers be-  
lieved that some news would come, the  
grief that has now become more in-  
tense is better understood. Now and  
then a group of women with shawls  
about their heads would gather silently  
at the mouth of the shaft and watch  
the work there. It was always men  
"going down" and their eyes were look-  
ing for the upward load of the dreaded  
bucket. Two or three trips seemed to  
satisfy them the time had not yet come  
and with strange words in strange  
languages, would turn away.

## STALWART FELLOWS.

There were stalwart fellows there,  
black and white both, who went down  
to do the work of bracing up the mine  
or any other work that came to them  
to do, and then about 11 o'clock some of  
the best miners in the district started  
down the shaft, two at a time. Peter  
Wright, a former member of the district  
executive committee, got into the bucket  
and disappeared. So did M. J. Mc-  
Quaid, the veteran mine foreman of  
Pleasant, and two of his men. So did  
W. J. Bell, Bob North and half a score  
of other men, and the first real explo-  
ration of the mine was begun. There  
was no hurrah or handclapping, or  
cheers, but with the heartfelt silent  
prayer of every man, woman  
and child about the pit mouth, the men  
went down to their grim work.

## ENGINEER TAYLOR.

Pittsburg, Jan. 26.—Selwyn M. Tay-  
lor, who led his life in rescue  
work in the Cheswick mine, while en-  
deavoring to save other lives, ranked  
among the first of the mining engineers  
here. He was president of the Mil-  
l and Coal company, but the greater part  
of his work was as chief engineer and  
consulting engineer for concerns in  
which he had no personal financial in-  
terests. He is survived by a widow  
and a stepson.

## HAMLET TRIED.

Yale Law Students Failed to Agree  
On a Verdict.

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 26.—Hamlet  
has been tried at the Yale law school  
before a jury of students and narrow-  
ly escaped theoretical conviction on the  
charge of having murdered Polonius.

Judge Epaphroditus Peck presided  
over the court and assisted in the ef-  
fort to solve the question whether Hamlet  
killed Polonius "with malice afore-  
thought" or of suffering from insanity.

After lengthy arguments the case  
was submitted to the jury men who re-  
mained out 29 minutes. Foreman  
Roraback, center of the football team,  
then announced that there was no hope  
for an agreement. Later it was learned  
that Juror Leach of Gloverville, N. Y.,  
"hung" the jury and declared he would  
hold out indefinitely. The final bal-  
lot stood nine for conviction of murder  
in the first degree, two for conviction  
of manslaughter, and one for acquittal.

## Missionary College Burned.

Constantinople, Jan. 26.—Mail advices  
from Ezerom, Armenia, say that the  
American mission college for girls there  
was destroyed Jan. 15 by a fire believed  
to be of incendiary origin. An inquiry  
has been started by the authorities.  
The college was a fine modern building,  
completed in 1902.

## Student Scalded to Death.

Topeka, Kansas, Jan. 26.—A special  
to the State Journal from Manhattan says  
that Elmer Gardner, at the state agri-  
cultural college, a student, was scalded  
to death today by falling in the pump  
pit which furnishes hot water for the  
college. He was standing near when  
the earth caved in, carrying him down  
to his death.

## WHITAKER WRIGHT'S TRAGIC ENDING.

Was Found Guilty of Fraud and  
Sentenced to Seven Years'  
Penal Servitude.

## PROTESTED HE WAS INNOCENT.

He Left the Courtroom, Was Seized  
With Heart Failure, Dying in  
a Few Minutes.

## HIS DEATH CAUSED A SENSATION

In Pronouncing Sentence Justice Said  
He Could Not Conceive a Worse  
Case—Story of His Doings.

London, Jan. 26.—After 12 days' trial  
the jury in the kings bench division of  
the high court of justice today found  
Whitaker Wright guilty of fraud on all  
the counts and he was sentenced to  
seven years' penal servitude.

Justice Bigham, in passing sentence,  
said he could see nothing to excuse the  
crime of which Wright had been com-  
plicit and he could not conceive of a  
worse case. He must therefore allow  
the most severe punishment the law  
permitted.

Wright, who had stood up to receive  
his sentence, said in a firm voice:  
"All I can say is that I am an inno-  
cent of any intention to deceive as any  
one in this court."

Wright was then removed in custody.  
Mr. Wright was attacked with sud-  
den indisposition as he left the court  
and was attended by two doctors. His  
death was attributed to heart disease.  
Wright's friends said all along that  
while he was hopeful of his acquittal  
they were certain he would not survive  
a sentence and would commit suicide.  
This, apparently, is what happened.  
Wright was removed from the court to  
a hospital as soon as he was taken ill,  
but he expired almost immediately.

In summing up Justice Bigham said  
he would ask the jury to find a gen-  
eral verdict of guilty or not guilty. If  
they were satisfied that Wright was  
guilty of one or more of these charges  
they must not be deterred from finding  
a verdict of guilty by the suggestion  
that such a verdict would cast a slur  
on the memories of Lord Dufferin and  
Loeb. It would not do anything of the  
kind. Their conduct was consistent in  
their having honestly made mistakes.

Dealing with the evidence, Justice  
Bigham described as singular the way  
in which thousands of pounds sterling  
became millions on paper, so far as  
the Lakeview shares were concerned.  
The London & Globe and Standard  
were gambling concerns which excited  
his indignation. In the course of his  
long experience Justice Bigham said he  
had never before heard of anything like  
the transactions which preceded the  
hopeless bankruptcy of the London &  
Globe Financial corporation. Justice  
Bigham concluded his reference to  
Wright's career by saying that in a  
position which the defendant claimed to  
have occupied in New York and Phila-  
delphia and said Wright had built up  
a fine position for himself in two or  
three years and in the district started  
down the shaft, two at a time. Peter  
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was no hurrah or handclapping, or  
cheers, but with the heartfelt silent  
prayer of every man, woman  
and child about the pit mouth, the men  
went down to their grim work.

The sentence was followed by a com-  
motion in a distant part of the court,  
and the faint cry of a woman in dis-  
tress was heard. One man shook hands  
with Wright as the latter left the court  
by the private exit, accompanied by his  
counsel. Almost immediately after-  
wards Wright was taken suddenly ill  
and collapsed in the ante-room of the  
court. He grew rapidly worse and in  
less than an hour after his sentence,  
the financier was dead.

According to a court attendant who  
was in the ante-room when Wright was  
stricken the latter was talking to So-  
lomon Lewis about his family and liv-  
ing instructions regarding their future,  
while jurors were waiting outside to  
take him to Brixton prison when  
Wright suddenly stumbled and fell for-  
ward. Mr. Lewis and the court at-  
tendant caught him and put him in a  
chair, placing his foot on another chair.  
They then summoned a doctor. Wright  
almost immediately became unconscious  
and never spoke again. The doctor,  
when he arrived, said nothing could  
be done and by 2:15 p. m. the financier  
was dead. His body was covered with  
a sheet and laid on the floor. It will  
remain there during the night and up-  
on the morrow will be taken to the  
mortuary for dissection. The corpse re-  
tains its normal appearance, the face  
being little changed.

Wright ate a fairly good lunch dur-  
ing the midday recess, and said nothing  
about feeling ill. None of his rela-  
tives had thus far arrived.

Carious crowds are thronging the  
courthouses.

## WRIGHT'S OPERATIONS.

London, Jan. 26.—Whitaker Wright  
was arrested in New York March 16,  
1898. A warrant for his arrest had been  
issued in London five days previously,  
but Wright had already left for the  
United States. He was accused of ab-  
sconding with funds of the London &  
Globe Financial corporation, by which  
the stockholders lost more than \$11,000,000.  
The ostensible purpose of the London  
& Globe company was to facili-  
tate investments by the shareholders in  
various enterprises, ranging from  
mines developed and undeveloped, to  
street railways and waterworks.  
Whitaker Wright formerly was a bro-  
ker in Philadelphia and in New York.  
Wright was one of the biggest plun-  
gers in the London & Globe company,  
heavily in West Australian mines. After  
making more than \$5,000,000 out of  
them, he "went broke." Then he  
went to London, where he floated the  
London & Globe.  
The financial crash of the companies  
founded by Wright came in December,  
1899. There were 11 of these, including  
the parent company, entitled the Lon-  
don & Globe Financial corporation, with  
a total capitalization of \$20,000,000.  
Wright was managing director.  
One of the victims of the crash was  
the late Marquis of Dufferin and Ava,  
formerly governor-general of Canada,

## Mayor Harrison Out on \$15,000 Bonds.

Chicago, Jan. 26.—Hearing the eight  
mittimus issued as the result of the in-  
quiry into the Iroquois theater disaster  
Coroner Traeger and a number of de-  
tective today left the city hall with au-  
thority to arrest Mayor Carter Harrison,  
Manager Will J. Davis and six  
lesser city officials and the stage em-  
ployees, who were ordered held to await  
action of the grand jury. The first per-  
sons taken into custody were William  
McMullen, operator of the flood-light  
from which the Iroquois fire is said to  
have started, and James E. Cummings,  
stage carpenter at the Iroquois, under  
whose direction it is alleged the ap-  
paratus was constructed which inter-  
fered with the descent of the asbestos  
curtain. The mittimus for Mayor Har-  
rison was taken in charge by Coroner  
Traeger in person. The coroner did not  
attempt to serve the mittimus at once  
on the city's chief magistrate. The  
coroner said:

"Where are you going to take Mr.  
Davis?" asked his attorney.  
"To the city hall and then to the  
county jail," responded the officer.  
"You don't have to do that," said the  
attorney. "You can take him to the  
sheriff's office in the county building."  
"We have our orders," replied the  
officer, "and can show favors to nobody."  
It is planned to bring all the accused  
to the city hall and after they have been  
booked take them to the county jail.

## Auspicious Opening of Utah Poultry Show

Association Makes Largest and Finest Display in Its History—Handsome Specimens  
Of the Feathered Tribes That Attract and Interest the Public.

Ulysses may have thought he had a  
hard time of it on that celebrated and  
historic expedition down the River  
Styx, but he should have been at the  
opening of the poultry show this morn-  
ing. He might there have derived some  
fair idea of bedlam in its wildest  
sense.  
This is not an individual opinion.  
Several hundreds of persons who were  
not only willing, but anxious, to put up  
the price for a look at the prize dis-  
plays of Utah's combined henneries,  
shared it. Even Judge Powers, who,  
lost in thought, carelessly wandered in-  
to the place at 210 South State, think-  
ing no doubt, that he had reached the  
joint building, conceded the direful con-  
sequences probable from a lengthy stay.  
After two awful minutes of inspection,  
the lawyer turned and fled precipitately.  
"I prefer a Utah senatorial contest,"  
he murmured, feebly.  
You see, the trouble was this: Heavy  
clouds hung overhead early this morn-  
ing. The sun made valiant efforts, but  
could not quite dispel them. So it was  
10 o'clock, time to open the show, be-  
fore the first gray streaks of dawn  
penetrated the gloom of the State  
street building.  
Then the terrorizing racket! The in-  
mates, to a duck, joined in one mighty  
Eldorado that might have come out  
of Cardiff. They crowded in unison at  
times. In rag-time when it better suited  
them. But for volume, unlimited cre-  
dence and staying qualities, the world  
has never heard a piece of choral work  
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dence and staying qualities, the world  
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"Great Heaven," exclaimed Supt.  
Bird, "had I known of this, I had I  
dreamed of such a thing, there would  
have been no poultry show this year."  
rest of the show, which immediately  
reopened the concert.  
A turkey that looked bigger than an  
ostrich, and which is certainly large  
enough to frighten any one of "Gene  
Field's" children, attracted the eye. It  
was a handsome bird, with a fine net-  
ting of its feathers, and a thousand en-  
deavors to tip over their place of confine-  
ment. The only real peaceful citizen  
of the feathered arena is a fat little  
old drake who quacks out once in a  
while in violent protest against the love  
affair of a pair of doves in the box im-  
mediately across from him.  
And that's about the way the opening  
day has gone off. The officers of the  
Utah Poultry association, several of  
whom were in attendance all day, de-  
clare that this, their sixteenth annual  
exhibit, is greatest of all. They claim  
that never has the same quality of  
fowl been exhibited, and as for variety,  
practically every class of distinction is  
represented in the entries.  
The breed most in evidence is the  
Barred Plymouth Rock, and White Leg-  
horns probably come next, though  
bushy hard for that position by Brown  
Leghorns. The Wyandottes are well  
represented by the White, Silver Laced  
and Buff sub-classes. Black Minorcas,  
the Jet-black Langshans, Buff Orping-  
tons, Brahmas, Buff Cochins, bantams,  
and pit game are likewise promi-  
nent. The combined colors of these various  
breeds form an interesting and some-  
times beautiful sight.  
Only one of the exhibits is from out-  
side of Salt Lake county, that of Coal-  
terman of Ogden.  
The exhibition was well patronized  
today, but tomorrow, when it is ex-  
pected that some awards will be made,  
will be more interesting.