

NEWS OF THE STATE

MILL CREEK.

WILLIAM D. PARK DEAD.
Honored Pioneer of '47 Lays Down
Life's Cares at 68.

Special Correspondence.

William D. Park, a pioneer of 1847, passed peacefully away at his home Tuesday, Dec. 12, after an illness of one year of paralysis. The funeral was held from the Mill Creek ward meetinghouse, Thursday, at 12 o'clock noon.

Wm. D. Park is the sixth son of William and Jane Duncan Park, who were among the early settlers to come to Utah to take up farming in Salt Lake county. Deceased was born in Canada Nov. 25, 1837, whence he removed with his father's family, consisting of parents and nine children, and emigrated to Nauvoo, Ill., making their trip on foot. The public sentiment was in his highest glory against the "Mormon" people. The family was among the first to take refuge in the wilds of Nebraska and to

assist in building up Winter Quarters on the banks of the Missouri river.

The Park family arrived the first to come to Utah, arriving Oct. 2, 1847. Deceased drove two yokes of oxen all the way from Winter Quarters to the Salt Lake valley. In the spring of 1848, the family took up their vocation as farmers in the Mill Creek ward, where deceased resided up to the time of his death.

On Feb. 15, 1860, William D. Park was united in matrimony to Miss Jeanette Gordon, and they had fourteen children, nine boys and five girls, five of each, with thirty-one grandchildren surviving him. He was not only a Pioneer and a member of one of the first families in the state, but he was a man of great character and influence in the community, but the world he has done entitles him to high place in the business life of Utah and especially in the live stock business. The reputation which he has made for honesty and integrity together with the ability he has demonstrated in successfully managing his business, gained for him the confidence and respect of all. His life has been ideal, and he has reared a family who will long cherish his name and who are a credit to their parents as well as the state.

WHERE AMERICAN
DERBY WILL BE RUNWashington Park Club is to Dis-
band and Old Track
Cut Up.

NEVER AGAIN AT CHICAGO.

Since Derby Inauguration in 1884,
Only One English Horse Has Cap-
tured This Classic Event.

News comes from Chicago to the effect that the Washington Park Jockey club of Chicago will pass out of existence shortly, and it comes from the report that cannot be gainsaid. One of the most prominent members of the club stated that the club, not only as a racing organization, but as a social club as well, would cease to exist after the annual meeting of the club, to be held some time this month.

Lawrence A. Young, the president of the club, as well as other prominent officials of the club, have been interviewed on the subject, but there can be no doubt as to the truth of the report. In the statement is mentioned that no negotiations have been opened for the purchase of the club's property, consisting of eighty acres in a district of the city where land is extremely valuable.

The Washington Park club's greatest event since its formation has been the American Derby, which is one of the extremes of American racing, and is known to English turfmen. The efforts made by the club in 1884 to encourage international racing are largely responsible for the fame of the club. In that year the Duke of Bedford sent a steamer to the port in Stratford, shaping him from England to run in the race.

In recent years such prominent American turfmen as August Belmont, the late William C. Whitney, James L. Clark, Charles H. M. Stuyvesant, W. H. Duray, Louis V. Bell, etc., have made entries in the stakes.

Since its inauguration in 1884, strictly amateur racing has been the rule, and won the event. Highfield, Mr. Shefford's black colt capturing the first. It was bred and reared in Kentucky, from parents who had never run in a race. The retirement of the Washington Park club will be a serious blow to those interested in the sport of kings, (the club did not distribute its turf money evenly) and many a year at its meetings.

ON THE RACE TRACK

Vine Proved Himself One of the Best
Two-Year-Olds.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 13.—Vine proved himself one of the best two-year-olds at Ascot, winning the first race event today from a good field. Silver Star was played heavy to win this race, but could do better than fourth. Four favorites did not finish and a 6 to 1 chance, were the winners. Weather, clear, track, fast results.

First race, Futurity course—Money Master, 6 to 5, won; Prince Ching, 15, 2nd; Mortality, 16 to 1, 3rd; Needful, 15, McDowell, 15 to 1, 4th; Time-135, Montressor, Radimus, Mattie, 1st; 2nd; 3rd; 4th; 5th; 6th; Stone Arabia and Handsome. First race, 16 to 2, second; W. H. Carey, 16, 3rd; Meade, 12 to 1, third; Time-125; Silver Star, 15, 4th; Aztec, 15, Sheriff Williams and Carrick and ran.

Fourth race, 11 and a sixteenth-Barbarian, 15, Walker, 5 to 1, won; Myrtle, 10, 2nd; 3rd; 4th; 5th; 6th; Ding Dong, Ethel Serpugs, Pyrrho and Jessie Wheeler also ran.

Third race, 11 and a sixteenth-Vine, 100, 1st to 2, second; Chantilly, 16, 3rd; Meade, 12 to 1, third; Time-125; W. H. Carey, 16, 4th; Meade, 12 to 1, second; Prince Ching, 15, 5th; Aztec, 15, Sheriff Williams and Carrick and ran.

Sixth race, 5 and one-half furlongs—Laceine, 15, Dugan, 2 to 1, won; Myrtle, 10, 2nd; 3rd; 4th; 5th; 6th; Ding Dong, Ethel Serpugs, Pyrrho and Jessie Wheeler also ran.

Fifth race, 11 and a sixteenth—Athenaeum, 15, Miller, 20, won; Prince Ching, 15, 2nd; 3rd; 4th; 5th; 6th; Susie Christian, Revolt, Odon, Ancon and Bolus also ran.

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Second race, Futurity course—Grassroots, 15, won; Avondale, 15, second; Succes, third; Time-135.

Third race, five and one-half furlongs—Clandestine, won; Jake Ward, second; the, 15, 3rd; 4th; 5th; 6th; Ding Dong, Ethel Serpugs, Pyrrho and Jessie Wheeler also ran.

Fourth race, Midlothian handicap, 15, and sixteenth—Callaghan, won; Right-second, Gradual third; Time-147s; with six race, 15, Turfungs—Toupe, won; Instructor, 15, Mafusa, third; Time-134s.

Sixth race, one mile and a sixteenth—Doctor C. 10, McDowell, 6 to 5, won; Dixie, 15, 2nd; 3rd; 4th; 5th; 6th; Ding Dong, Ethel Serpugs, Pyrrho and Jessie Wheeler also ran.

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