

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

Colonel Henry Page Friday assumed direct command of the First Regiment of Utah National Guard Infantry.

If Noah Burk of Round Bottom, Wayne county, W. Va., will let me know of his whereabouts he will learn something beneficial to him. He left West Virginia about fourteen years ago. CHARLES A. WELCH, County clerk, Morgan Co., Utah.

If Bennett Lines, who came to Utah about fifteen years ago with his family, will give me his address, or if any person knowing of his place of residence, or of any of his children's, will do the same, they will very much oblige a relative of his wife's.

WARREN FOOTE, GLENDALE, Kane Co., Utah.

Friday a tinher named George Lambourne, while cutting a new flue hole in the Western Union Telegraph office, was painfully injured by the breaking of a ladder. Mr. Lambourne fell about ten feet, hitting the back of his head on the sharp corner of one of the telegraph tables. Mr. Lambourne was knocked senseless and a terrible gash was cut in the back of his head. He was taken to his home and while his injuries are not considered dangerous, he will be laid up for quite a while.

In view of the Salt Lake Stake conference being close at hand, the secretaries of the Stake organizations, viz: the Relief societies, Sunday schools, Young Men's Mutual Improvement Associations, Young Ladies' Mutual Improvement Associations, and the Primary associations are requested to see that their reports for the six months ending December 31st, 1894, are ready in ample time for the conference.

JAMES D. STIRLING, Clerk of Stake.

The story of a sad case of suicide comes from Solpio, Millard county.

C. D. Wickes, a resident at that place for a year past, was the victim. He was married about two weeks ago and a few days ago his young wife died. She was buried on Tuesday. Her death preyed heavily upon his mind. In addition to that prostrating trouble he was in hard financial straits and on the evening named—after his wife's funeral—ended his life by taking a dose of morphine. Nothing was known of his antecedents. He was buried at the expense of the county today.

Ralph T. Watson, the 10-year-old son of John Watson, manager of Z. C. M. I., has met with a fatal accident. On Saturday morning in going down the cellar stairs of the store he fell about the distance of ten feet, striking on his head. Upon being taken to his home Dr. Carnahan was called, but nothing serious was apprehended. The boy complained of only a slight headache. In the evening he vomited some, but went to rest as usual. He awoke his father about 2 o'clock the next morning, complaining of an increased headache and died a few minutes afterwards, without speaking another word.

His sudden death is a terrible

blow to the parents, who have the warm sympathy of their many friends.

At a meeting of the opera house company last Wednesday night the question of site was settled, a permanent board of directors elected, and several minor points of business attended to. The theater will be built on the Lund & Johnson property opposite President Canute Peterson's place. Messrs. Lund and Johnson gave the site to the company, besides taking several hundred dollars in stock, as they expect the rest of their property will be increased in value enough to repay them. Work in preparing the ground will soon begin and the building will be pushed to completion this coming summer.

Mrs. Adelaide Eugenia Grant Hampton, wife of Benjamin Hampton, the well known mining man, died at her home in this city on Saturday, and as a result the hearts of many friends are touched with sorrow, and a respected, loving and devoted family are plunged in overwhelming grief.

The deceased was the daughter of Joshua and Louisa M. Grant, and a cousin of Hon. H. J. Grant. She was born in North Carolina, October 4th, 1845, and had resided in this city for forty years. A husband, four sons and a daughter and numerous acquaintances and friends will mourn her departure from this life.

For some time past the question of a sugar factory for this end of the county has been agitated, and meetings have been held in Spanish Fork and Springville in connection with the matter. A call for a meeting in the Payers meeting house last night, issued by Mayor Brewerton and Bishops J. C. Hulsh and J. S. Page Jr., was responded to by an attendance of some thirty-five or forty citizens. The matter was laid before the assembly and a committee of three, consisting of Messrs. W. S. Tanner, Levi Calvin and Hyrum Lemmon, appointed to meet with similar committees from Springville and Spanish Fork. The committees will convene at Spanish Fork on Thursday at 1 p.m., and on Friday evening next another local meeting will be held at the city hall, at which the committee will present its report.

Salt Lake was visited by a disastrous fire Thursday. A conservative estimate of the loss is placed by competent insurance men at \$50,000. Very little, if indeed any, of this will fall on the property owners or occupants of the damaged building, but will have to be borne entirely, or almost so, by the insurance companies.

The scene of the fire was at the corner of East Temple and Second South streets, in the one story structure owned by Walker Bros. and occupied by Sam Levy, cigar dealer, and Lipman & Wallerstein, clothiers, Smith & Clabsy, druggists, the Kentucky Liquor company, J. Petrovitsky, broker, H. W. Fuller, jeweler, a couple of fruit dealers and a barber.

The blaze burst forth in the northeast corner of that part of the building occupied by Lipman & Wallerstein, about 7:45 o'clock, and was well under head-

way, in fact, was a seething sea of flames when the alarm was sounded.

Elder T. E. Taylor was a caller at the News editorial rooms Friday. Elder Taylor returned home on February 1 from a mission to Great Britain, for which part of the world he left Salt Lake on January 1st, 1893. On arriving in Liverpool he was set apart as a traveling Elder in the Birmingham conference in which he labored for several months and from which he was ordered to take charge of the business affairs of the *Millennial Star* office. This position he filled until released to return home. On January 11th he embarked for home on the steamer *Anchora* and on the 21st reached New York after a pleasant voyage. In crossing the continent he paid short visits to Chicago and St. Louis, and reached Salt Lake looking and feeling very well. Elder Taylor was blessed with good health during the whole of his mission and enjoyed his labors thoroughly.

BEAVER, Utah, Feb. 14.—The Second district court here adjourned at 12:30 p. m. today, after Judge Barch had rendered a decision in the celebrated water suit which has been on trial here since Monday morning. His decision virtually decrees that sufficient water be allowed the old settlers below Milford, to irrigate the meadow, pasture and farming lands as heretofore used, but this decision only applies to the plaintiffs in this suit, and final judgment will not be given till a full transcript of the case has been made by the reporter, and the exact number of acres of land claimed by the plaintiffs to have been watered in years past, ascertained.

The judge greatly commended the parties interested in the reservoir and dam enterprise and while their rights, legally acquired to date, will doubtless not greatly be interfered with, yet the old settlers' rights will be granted and established in a great measure.

Thurman made a closing and powerful argument for plaintiffs, consuming two hours, this morning. Barch, Thurman, Judge Dey, Col. Holloway with surveyors and witnesses return to Milford this afternoon, and go to Salt Lake on tomorrow's train.

The weather is cold and the snow deep.

Jacob Weller Horne, a highly respected and moral young man, died at 8 o'clock Thursday morning, at the residence, on Third street, of his grandparents, Joseph and M. I. Horne. The cause of his death was appendicitis, with which he had been stricken down since Sunday, February 3rd.

His suffering was very severe and while he received the best treatment that medical science and tender and skillful home nursing could bestow it was all of no avail and he finally, with remarkable patience and fortitude, resigned himself to the inevitable.

He was a young man of unusual promise, whose mental qualities appeared to be as fully developed as those of a person ripe in years and experience. In addition to this he was always thoughtful, kind and considerate concerning the welfare and accommodation of others and his friends embraced all who knew him. The deceased was in his seventeenth year and was the son of Joseph S.