

## LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

The Home Fire Insurance company reached the end of its fiscal year on June 30, and celebrated the event by disbursing dividend \$1 to its stockholders. The dividend was  $1\frac{1}{2}$  per cent for the quarter on the capital of \$250,000.

The Co-operative Wagon and Machine company also paid its regular dividend of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  per cent on its capital of a quarter of a million on June 30th.

Elder Edson Barney was 90 years of age last Tuesday. His children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren to the number of fifty assembled at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Alex. Wilkins of the second ward in honor of the event, and enjoyed a very pleasant evening. The venerable old gentleman is jovial and lively for his years, and enjoys talking over the early scenes of the Church with which he is well acquainted.

As Councilman George Romney was getting on the stand with his fellow councilmen preparatory to the crowning of the Carnival queen near the joint building Thursday morning he stooped to get under a plank. In doing so the right side of his face near the corner of the eye came in contact with a piece of wood which was standing on end. The result was a very painful wound which bled so badly that people thought his eye was put out. The injury will it is hoped be overcome in a few days.

After two or three days spent in feeling the strength of the opposition the attorneys in the receivership and intervention proceedings against James H. Bacon and the Bank of Salt Lake have at last come to an agreement and Thursday, in accordance therewith, Judge Street appointed Frank Kuox and C. H. Jacobs receivers for the affairs of the banking firm above referred to.

There was no unnecessary delay and the business was soon concluded. The bond of the receivers was placed at \$50,000 each, subject to increase.

The labor and care of our Fourth of July celebration over earnest work will now be done by the Old Folks excursion committee and it is quite safe to predict a grand time on the 16th day of July when the Old Folks will be here, also the holding of the fiftieth anniversary of the enlistment of the Mormon Battalion at Winter Quarters and the forty-ninth anniversary of their discharge, having enlisted for one year's service. The following notice has been officially put forth: All survivors of the Mormon Battalion are requested to meet at Ogden on the 16th day of July for the purpose of celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of enlistment. C. B. Hancock, Ralph Douglass, Bishop McQuarrie, committee.

The main particulars of a fatal accident that occurred at Mercur Monday, were received in this city Tuesday morning. Halvord Goldbraunen, a young man, left his home in this city last Sunday, and went to Mercur where he was employed as a miner in the Mercur mine. While at work yes-

terday, in some manner not fully explained, he fell down the shaft a distance of 600 feet. The fall resulted in immediate death.

This morning an inquest was held, the verdict being accidental death. The deceased was born Dec. 21, 1866, in Soen, Norway, and consequently was in his thirtieth year. He made his home with his mother at 469 west Sixth South street, and was very kind to her.

Thursday afternoon a buck that had been driven to the depot to Mercur, attempted to turn around just after the train for this city pulled out, and was capsized. Two boys were in it at the time. One of them, named Charlie Clausen, was thrown onto the railroad track, and his head struck one of the rails with such force as to crush the skull in a terrible manner. Death resulted instantly.

The other boy, whose name is Mariam Aldrach, was also thrown against the rail, and seriously though not fatally hurt; at least it is thought he will recover. A large portion of the scalp was torn off, and the skull was injured. The mother of the Clausen boy was attending the Carnival in this city. The father of the other boy is in Cripple Creek and has been sent for.

George Worthen, aged about ten years, and employed as a herd boy near the Jordan, in company with several companions about his own age, went into a slough near the river to bathe. He ventured beyond his depth and was drowned. The place where the fatality happened was not far from his mother's house, and the body was soon recovered and taken there.

The mother is an object of sympathy. She was recently divorced from her husband, Walter Worthen, and left in destitute circumstances with seven young children to care for. Her husband was required by order of court, to pay alimony, but has failed to do so, and a few days ago the matter was up in court and an order was made requiring him to pay \$25 per month commencing July 1, or go to jail. It was then shown that he had been spending money in social pleasures, though his children were destitute.

A very determined effort is being made to complete the Taharacle improvements in time to hold the Stake conference, which is appointed for Sunday and Monday, July 26th and 27th. Much dissatisfaction has been expressed with regard to the nature of improvements, which feeling of discontent has had the effect of keeping back the liberal donations which might naturally have been expected; but a visit to the building now that it is nearing completion will without doubt change public sentiment in this particular, for when completed it will be one of the most beautiful in the West and will reflect much credit upon W. W. Fife, the architect, the committee and all concerned. Every available plasterer is being employed. All the beautiful moldings are of home production by home workmen, who are being engaged from all parts of the state to complete the work. Weber

Stake will have a building to meet in that its members may well be proud of and willing to pay for.

Brother Richard S. Horne and family, of Salt Lake County, were called upon July 1 to suffer a great bereavement in the death of Sister Lizzie E. Horne. Brother Horne's wife was a native of this city, where she was born March 1, 1853, being in her 44th year at the time of her demise. For a year past she has not enjoyed the best of health. Monday she was taken with a violent pain in the side; a physician being called, pronounced it appendicitis. All that could be was done to relieve the sufferer, but death claimed her at 5 a. m. today. Sister Horne was a faithful, earnest Latter-day Saint. One of her sons, George, is now on a mission to the Tonga Islands. She will be buried in the city cemetery on Friday next, the funeral service being held at the family residence in Mill Creek at 9 a. m. The News joins with the host of friends of the bereaved in sympathizing with them in the time of their great affliction, trusting that they will receive the consolation which comes from a divine and merciful Providence, which knoweth the end from the beginning and doeth all things well.

Following closely the fatal accident which befall Halvord Goldbraunen at Mercur Monday comes the report of another fatality in the same camp early Tuesday morning. The victim on this occasion was Charles Jones, an old employe of the Gold Dust company.

As near as can be learned it appears that Jones was standing on the brink of the shaft working the windlass, when the bucket attached thereto suddenly swung down into the shaft. Jones attempted to pull the receptacle back, but his strength failed him and he was plunged into the depths below, a distance of about 100 feet. The unfortunate victim was not killed instantly, but the injuries sustained were so serious that death resulted in about two hours.

Jones was a man of some experience in mining developments and had worked for the Gold Dust company for some time. He was respected by his employers and his sudden death proved a great shock to those of his acquaintances in the camp. It is not known that he has any relatives hereabouts and his funeral will doubtless be managed and attended to by his fellow laborers.

Ogden's Fourth of July celebration was all that could be wished for or expected, giving general satisfaction and furnishing a full day of enjoyment which was unfortunately attended with accidents by which three persons received serious injuries. Clarence Loughney was badly burned by a fire-cracker exploding a can of powder. Miss May Driver, a daughter of Jesse Driver, who was standing near the platform used for the fireworks display was struck on the head by a rocket stick cutting a gash that took four stitches to close. Ray Kent, an eleven-year-old boy, was severely hurt; C. F. Kranch accidentally ran against him while riding his wheel. Mr. Kranch procured the assistance of Drs. Condon and Graves who made the boy as comfortable as possible.