

filed in the district court by C. Wanless, who alleges that ant has described her and has failed to support her. She also alleges in her complaint that he is charged with the crimes of embezziement and failing to account for trust funds in his pos-session. They were married at Phoenix, Ariz., in February, 1903. She her maiden name be restored. She asks that

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## FAVORS STOOKEY BILL.

Salt Lake County Horticultural Society Discusses Measures.

At the meeting of the Salt Lake County Horticultural society in the city and county building on Saturday afternoon last, a committee consisting of President W. C. Burgon, Secy. N. D. Jonsen, J. P. Sorensen, county inspector of pests; I. N. Elliot and Samuel D. Wallace, were anmed to work for the passage of the amed to work for the passage of the Stookey horticultural bill recently intro-duced in the house of representatives. This bill and also the Mckay (Weber rounly) bill, were read before the society and their comparative merits discussed, the consensus of epinion being decidedly in favor of the Stookey measure, as he-ing the more equitable and more fully protecting the horticultural interests of the state. The committee will work for the passage of the bill with such amend-ments as may be deemed necessary. One mendment already offered is for the pro-tection of the bee interests. It forbids the spraying of trees while in blocm. Prof. Lewis A. Merrill of the Agricul-tural college at Logan, was pre-ent at the meeting and addressed the members, urg-ing a movement looking to the organiza-tion of a state horticultural society. He commended the good work that was be-ing done by the society, commenting on the fact that it is the only society of its kind that has survived. In many other parts of the state horticultural societies have been formed, but they have in time died from inalization. Prof. Merrill referred to the excellent work that was being done at the Agri-cultural college, where young men were being instructed in agriculture on a mound scientific basis, with a practical course in mechanic art as an adjunct to arriculture. Stookey horticultural bill recently intro-

sound scientific basis, with a practical course in mechanic art as an adjunct to agriculture. Beey, Joseph H. farry of the state board of horticulture renewed his pics for the stablishment of canning factories and symporating plants in this county. Ho urged the fruitgrowers to co-operate and establish these plants on their own ac-rount, and invite capitalists to join with them in this measure. Established on a sound basis he said canning factories of-fered the safets investment of capital of any local industries. He said that a arge part of the products of the orchards in the state is going to waste becau e it is not properly used. If canneles are es-tablished, none of it will be wasted.

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Court Issues Temporary Injunction Prohibiting Sale of Any of His Property.

A petition has been filed in the probate division of the district court askng that Col. Samuel A. Merritt be adjudged an incompetent person, and that W. T. Gunter be appointed as guardian of his estate and person. Such action has been taken at the request of Chris and J. W. Merritt of Stanton, Va., relatives of Col. Merritt, who are now in the city. The petition states that owing to old age and as the result of an accident with which Col. Merritt met on Christmas even last, he is wholly un-able to look after his business affairs, and that unless a guardian is appointed his estate, valued at \$50,000, will be dissipated by artful and designing perunder whose control it is alleged he now is.

RESTRAINING ORDER ISSUED.

After the petition had been filed, Judge Armstrong issued a restraining order, enjoining James H. Moyle, Lyde Wells, the Deseret National bank, Mc-Cornick & Co., the Z. C. M. I. and the Consolidated Wagon & Machine comconsolidated of agon & alconne com-pany from in any way interfering with or disposing of any of the property of the estate in their possession. It is claimed that Col. Merritt owns con-siderable stock in the corporations named, and it is also claimed that Lyde Wells and her attorney, James H. Moyle, are in possession of some of his property

COL MERRITT'S CAREER.

Col. Merritt was born in Stanton, Va. on Aug. 15, 1828, and graduated from Washington college at Lexington, Va. in 1848. He commenced the study of law, but in the following year, 1849, he was seized with the gold fever and went overland to California. The year after his arrival he was elected as county clerk of the county in which he located, and in 1851-2 he served in the located, house of the California legislature. In 1857 he was elected to the state senate and served until 1862.

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Shortly afterwards he removed to Idaho, and in 1874 he was elected to the Forty-second Congress from that terri-tory. Upon the expiration of his term he came to Salt Lake and entered upon he came to Sait Lake and entered upon the practise of law with Judge Rose-borough. In 1890 he was elected city attorney, and in 1894 he was appointed chief justice of the supreme court of this territory by President Cleveland, and served until statehood. Since then he has retired from the law business and has been devoting his time to his financial interests and has amassed a fortune. a fortun

#### HURT BY STREET CAR.

For a number of years he has resid-ed at the Alta club, and on Christmas eve last he was knocked down by a Even last he was knocked down by a Event of the club building and received severe injuries. For a time it was thought that he could not recover, He improved, however, and is now fairly well recovered from the accident. He is 77 years of age,

WILL BE HEARD SATURDAY. The petition of Mr. Gunter will be heard by idge Armstrong on Saturday, Feb. 18.

"Approved Feb. 1, 1905." ADMINISTRATION TRANSFERRED. By this act the administration of th foderal forest reserves is transferred to this department. Its provisions will be carried out through the forest ser-vice, under your immediate super-vision. You have already tentatively vision. You have already tentatively negotiated the transfer with the com-missioner of the reneral land office, whose powers and duties thus transferred I assign to you. Until otherwise instructed, you will submit to me for approval all questions of organization, sales, per-mits, and privileges, except such as are entrusted by the present regula-tions to field officers on the ground. Alf officers of the forest reserve service transferred will be subject to your intransferred will be subject to your in-structions and will report directly to

you. You will at once issue to them the necessary notice to this effect. In order to facilitate the prompt transaction of business upon the forest reserves and to give effect to the gen-eral policy outlined below, you are in-structed to recommend at the earliest practicable date whatever changes may be necessary in the rules and regulahe necessary in the rules and regula-tions governing the reserves, so that I may, in accordance with the provisions of the above act, delegate to you and to forest reserve officers in the field, so much of my authority as may be es-sential to the prompt transaction of business, and to the administration of the reserves in accordance with local needs. Until such revision is made, the present rules and regulations will re-main in force, except those relating to the receipt and transmitial of moneys, in which case special fiscal agents of this department will perform the du-ties heretofore rendered by the receiv-ers of local land offices in accordance with existing lows and regulations. The chief of records, forest service, is hereby designated a special fiscal agent, and you will direct him at once to exe-cute and submit for my approval a bond for \$20.000.

CIVIL SERVICE ORDER.

On Dec. 17, 1904, the president signed

the following order: "In the exercise of the power vested in the president by section 1753 of the Revised Statutes and acts amendatory thereof: "It is ordered. That all persons em-ployed in the field and in the District of Columbia in the 'protection and al-ministration of forestry reserves in or under the general land office of the in-terior denariment' be classified and the cital service act and rules conditioned. terior department' be classified and the civil service act and rules applied thereto, and that no person be hereaf-ter appointed, employed, promoted, or transferred in said service until he passes an examination in conformity therewith, unless specially exempted thereunder. This order shall apply to all officers and employes, excert per-sons employed merely as laborers, and parsons whose appointments are conrsons whose aprointments are con-

This order classifies the whole forest reserve service, now transferred, and places it under the civil service law. In the administration of the forest reserves it must be clearly borne in mind that all land is to be devoted to Its most productive use for the perma-nent good of the whole people, and no for the temporary benefit of individuals

or combanies. All the resources of for-est reserves are for use, and this use must be brought about in a thoroughly must be brought about in a thoroughly prompt and businesslike manner, under such restrictions only as will insure the permanence of these resources. The vital innortance of forest reserves to the great industries of the western states will be largely increased in the near future by the continued steady advance in settlement and development. The permanence of the resources of the The rermanence of the resources of the reserve is therefore indiscensable to continued prosperity, and the policy of this department for their pro-

tection and use will invariably be guid-ed by this fact, always bearing in mind that the conservative use of these re-

of the traced their history from the begin-ning to the overthrow of the Nephites. This secret order came into existence by the three sons of Pahoran contend-ing for the judgment seat. When Fannchi lost the election he continued by history of was tried for treason Paanchi lost the election he continued in his course, and was tried for treason, found guilty and executed. His follow-ers at once began to plan for revenge. Kishkumen succeeded in killing the chief judge, Paanchi's brother. A man named Gadianton was in the rebel-lion, and by his cunning and subtle methods, he worked his way to the front He gave his men a thorough front. He gave his men a thorough organization and made systematic plans for their future work. Secret signs and oaths were introduced and the society few. They had enough good in their organization that they could present some good arguments in its favor. They pretended to be working for each other, that all might be happy. The Nephites themselves looked upon the men of Gadianton as robbers and mur-

ers, whose aim was to destroy lib-r, religion, and government. The usation proved a just one, though denied by the society. As a part of the closing exercises, Miss Lottle Owen sang a controlto solo, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," which

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