

# **EVENING NEWS.**

Friday, January 2, 1885.

## **FRAGMENTS.**

There were about five hundred skaters on the Hot Spring Lake yesterday.

Charles Wilson was arrested yesterday. Too much conversation water aboard.

There will be a meeting of the Salt Lake Fire Brigade to-morrow evening at 7.30. All the members are requested to be present.

R. H. HARDY, Sec'y.

Under the auspices of the Twenty-first Ward Sabbath School, an entertainment, for the benefit of the same, will be given on Monday evening at 7.30. Most of the programme will be enacted by members of the school.

## **LOCAL NEWS.**

**Frozen.**—We understand Asst. Supt. Horner, of the Denver and Rio Grande Western, had his feet and hands badly frozen on Wednesday night, between 2, V. Junction and Kyune, a station a few miles east of the Junction; he was on a velocipede car at the time. He is expected to arrive to-day. We have not learned the extent of his injuries.

**Manti Mortuary Report.**—George Brathwaite, Sexton of Manti, sends us the following mortuary report of Manti City, for the six months ending December 31st, 1884: "Deaths: 1, lung fever; 2, old age; 3, diphtheria; 4, epilepsy; 5, not reported; 6, come to his death by unknown hands. Total, 14. Females, 9; males, 5. Total, for the year 24."

**A Sneak.**—Yesterday forenoon a man entered the residence of Mr. Wm. Roesler, in the Tenth Ward, with what intent we are unable to say. He tried to break himself behind a door, but was discovered by Mr. R's daughter who cried out in alarm. Whereupon the ruffian seized her, but she succeeded in getting away from him and ran to a neighbor's for aid. George Lacey and J. W. Keddington took the sneak in charge and landed him in the City Jail.

**Very Light Mortality.**—In conversing with the City Sexton, we learn that the total mortality of this city during the past year was 487, being 100 less than in 1883, 13 less than in 1882, and 50 less than in 1881. This is a very satisfactory result, especially when we consider the increase of population during the last three years. Another noticeable feature is the great decrease of adult mortality and the corresponding decrease of infantile mortality, as compared with previous years. For instance, in 1881, the total mortality was 522; total adult mortality, 217; total children under five years, 238. In 1884, the total mortality was 487; total adult mortality, 203; children under five years, 133; the intervening years corresponding.

**Tenth Ward New Year's Sociable.**—The good people of the Tenth Ward met by their Bishop and City Councilors, celebrated New Year's night, by having their annual party exclusively for the members of their Ward, and had one of those good and happy times among themselves that can be looked back upon in years to come, as one of the bright times of their lives. Besides enjoying themselves in the dance, the Arion Society, the Sunday School Choir under the leadership of Brother J. C. Woods, and some of the members of the Ward, entertained those assembled with some very choice music and songs, which were appreciated by all.

Brother Wm. Fuller also reviewed the past history of the house, which, indeed from the strict attention paid him, must have been highly interesting to his hearers. Altogether they had such a social time among themselves as to make them wish such occasions occurred often.

**Another Sociable Gathering.**—The good people of the Second Ward had a very interesting and enjoyable "New Year's" social gathering yesterday afternoon. At the close of the musical entertainment, held in the school house, all repaired to the new Meeting House, where two tables, running the whole length of the large hall, were seemingly groaning under the weight of substantial food, delicacies, and tempting sweetmeats, all arranged with taste and judgment by the good sisters who had the matter in charge.

After a few words of welcome by Brother C. H. Bassett and an impressive blessing of the food by Bishop Peterson, all proceeded to pay their earnest respects to the waiting tables and with vigorous appetites, as evidenced by the rapid disappearance of cakes, pies, sandwiches, etc.

After dinner was over it was found that there were several large baskets full of the good things remaining, which were at once distributed among the poor of the Ward.

Then followed an address by Bishop Peterson, remarks by Brother McGregor, songs, recitations and music, altogether making one of the most enjoyable occasions ever experienced by the "poorest Ward in the city."

**"On Ball."**—The performance of this highly amusing comedy by the Home Dramatic Club at the Theatre on New Year's afternoon and night, drew out two large and good-natured audiences, bent on being pleased and running no risk of being disappointed. The play is a three-act comedy by W. S. Gilbert, author of "Pinafore," "Patience," and other librettos of some of the most popular comic operas of the day. The plot, while slender, is interesting, and as funny as it can be. The dialogue sparkles with wit, and with the situations that occur, affords abundant opportunity for the players, and loud and prolonged were the laughter and applause thereby provoked. The most successful was the allusion to the "Judge from Idaho."

The parts were well distributed: Mr. Wells, as "Levibond," Mr. Spencer, as "Trimble," Mr. Young, as "Morcooley," and Mr. White, as "Hebblethwaite," having the principal male characters, and doing them full justice. Messrs. Burrows and Owen made the most of the small parts allotted them. The ladies were Miss Edith Clawson as "Mrs. Levibond," Mrs. Birdie Cummings as "Mrs. Hebblethwaite," and Miss Florence Whitely as the maid "Pekins" and "Miss De Courcy." They fully equalled the gentlemen in their portrayals as far as they had opportunity.

# **THE SEVENTH DISTRICT SCHOOL TAX QUESTION.**

BEFORE THE COURT ON ITS MERITS.

The case of L. S. Stevens et al vs. Isaac M. Waddell et al, involving the validity of the school tax levied in the 7th District of this city, came on for hearing in the District Court this morning.

Mr. Varian asked for an attachment for Willford Woodruff as a witness, which was granted.

Chas. E. Copeland was sworn for the plaintiffs, and testified that his residence was at Tooele since September, 1883, and that he had been teaching at the old mission school at Grantville and in Tooele. Made application to Mr. Garner, one of the Trustees of the Clover Creek District, for employment in that school, but did not obtain the position. He was then asked, "do you know?" was objected to by Sheeks and Rawlins, as immaterial, irrelevant and inadmissible, because what was said or done by a trustee or trustees outside of this county had no bearing on the conduct of the school in question in this city.

This point was argued by Messrs. Sheeks, Varian, Dickson and Rawlins. The Court overruled the objection and the defendant's counsel excepted to the ruling.

The witness continued: The reason was that I did not belong to the Mormon Church. The trustee, Garner, seemed satisfied with my explanation as to qualifications and gave me a recommendation to the other trustees, but just as I was going out of the gate he called me back and asked me if I belonged to the Mormon Church. I told him no, and he said it was all right for me to make any further application because it was not their custom to employ teachers who were not of their faith, that they did not employ any other persons except those who were willing to teach their doctrines.

A. A. Leonard was the next witness, and testified: Lived here since '76, had been employed in teaching school; held a certificate of qualification from the county board of examiners; made application for and secured the school at Union. Then he was asked: "was engaged by the Bishop of the ward, who was also a trustee. He asked me if I was a Mormon. I replied that I was not. I think there was a special reason why I was engaged, and that was because he needed me as being a man who would not do them any harm. Next made application for the 5th district school of this city, and was engaged under similar circumstances. The matter was discussed by the trustees and myself considerably, and finally I met the trustees and the Bishop of the ward. On his advice they employed me, saying as I was not a member of any church there would be no danger of my inculcating doctrines of a different kind from theirs."

Next applied for the Seventh District of this city to Mr. McLachlan, one of the trustees, that was in 1880. Was not employed. There were no objections to my qualifications or recommendations, but he said there were other applicants, and that they gave the preference to members of their own church.

Next applied for the 12th District; was asked whether I was a "Mormon." The trustees put that school up to the lowest bidder, and I was underbid.

Next applied for a position which I was informed was vacant, in the Central School at Ogden. Received an engaging reply from Mr. Stan-ford, one of the trustees. Went up there and made a formal application. When I reached there he learned that I was a noted Mormon, he said that he was referring to John Taylor and they were waiting his answer before giving a decision in the matter. An answer finally came from him referring to the matter to Mr. Shurtliff, the President of that Stake.

Mr. Shurtliff on my way down here he was on the same train, and he talked so favorable that I began to make preparations to go up there, but in a day or two afterwards I got a letter stating that they had decided not to give me the position. Stanford stated the reason it had been referred to President Taylor, which was that there had been a Gentle engaged in one of the schools, and that the Bishop had advocated that the people withdraw their children, and he was compelled to dismiss school, and before he employed any more Gentiles he wanted some higher authority than his own for doing so.

Zernbush Snow was the next witness called.

Lived in this Territory since '51. Am a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, by others we are called Mormons. Have no doubt the books placed in my hands purporting to be the Book of Mormon and Doctrine and Covenants are authentic and published by authority of the Church. Those books are accepted by members of the Church as authority as representing the creed of the Church.

books used in the school-room, so far as witness knew, were not sectarian books; they were the same books as were used in other schools of the Territory. Part of his case came from the school district, part from the public fund and part he collected as tuition fees. The teacher was used also for Sunday school and meeting purposes; he also had to give up the school during fast days—one day in the week, he was told that it was customary to close the schools on that day, and he followed the example set.

A. L. Kendall next testified. Have lived in this Territory about 25 years, for the last 7 years he has been teaching until this last year. Received my education principally in the 4th and 11th District schools in this city for 4 years, also taught 8 months in Provo in 1882-3. Held a certificate of qualification from the board of examiners of this county. Before he received that certificate was asked if he was a Mormon. Was sent for by Prof. M. H. Hardy, to go to Provo to teach school. He was then customary to hold school every day in the week except on fast days. Was Thursday in each month. Was baptized into the Mormon Church when coming, and was considered a member of the Church during the time he taught school.

The proceedings were in progress when we went to press.

**The Examination.**—The Gardner case is resumed this morning. The Gardner testified: I knew the deceased Gardner by sight. Have known him ever since I can remember. Have known Nelson by sight about two months. Was present at Pitts' garden the 18th of December, 1884, when Hill struck Gardner, and Nelson took a hand in the fight. The trouble began about 11 p. m. Saw Nelson push both men out, after Mr. Gardner got up while Gardner was laying on his back outside, I saw Nelson kick him. Also saw Nelson kick him as he (Gardner) was standing up—it looked like a pretty hard kick.

The attorneys for the defendants moved the defendants be discharged. Lengthy speeches were made. In progress as we go to press.

**Wanton Carelessness.**—We are informed that on Wednesday last a young man of East Mill Creek named Stuart, riding on a horse owned by some children who were in the road before him, by pretending that he was going to make his horse run over them. A little fellow, the son of Brother Amos Neff of that place, dodged to the side of the road to evade the horse, but the animal at the same time turned the same way and crowded the boy against the fence, seriously injuring his shoulder, whereupon the lad's eldest brother seized the rider, pulled him from the saddle and administered a severe chastisement. Young Stuart did not all blame, as he states the horse was unmanageable, and that he warned the children to get out of the way. The matter, however, will be settled to-day by J. B. Fagg, Justice of the Peace in that precinct.

**Teachers' Notice.**—The District School Teachers of Salt Lake County will please take notice that next Saturday, at 11 o'clock a. m., in the Fourth Ward Assembly Rooms, will be held a meeting of the County Teachers Association.

The following excellent programme has been prepared for the occasion: 1—"In what respect does good teaching differ from his counterpart?" Mr. C. S. Giddies. 2—"What is proper questioning?" Miss Lizzie Cutler. 3—"How can it be told when the air in the school room is impure?" Mr. H. Bradford. 4—"Recitation," Miss Sadie Tripp. 5—"Practical illustration of how to teach drawing in District schools," Mr. I. M. Coombs. 6—"Practical exhibition of how to use School Apparatus in our District Schools," Mr. Chas. F. Wilcox. 7—"Select Reading," Miss Lizzie Smith. 8—"School Cabinet and how to obtain it," Mr. David R. Allen. Every teacher in the County is requested to be present. Friends of education are cordially invited to attend the meetings of the association.

DAVID R. ALLEN, Sec'y.

**Mortuary Report.**—Following is the City Sexton's Report for December, 1884:

Accidental, 1; Aethma (chronic), 1; Blood Poisoning, 1; Cystitis (inflammation of bladder), 1; Cirrhosis, 1; Consumption, 1; Convulsions (infantile), 1; Debility, general, 1; Debility, senile, 1; Diphtheria, 7; Enteritis, inflammation of bowels, 1; Fever (typhoid), 3; Heart disease, 2; Hernia, rupture, 1; Hemorrhage post partum, flooding, 1; Lead poisoning, 1; Lung Disease, acute, 1; Myelitis, inflammation of spinal cord, 1; Nephritis, Bright's disease, 1; Old age, 1; Paralysis, general, 1; Rheumatism (inflammatory), 1; Suicide, 1; Typhoid pneumonia, 1; Tumor, uterine, 1; Not reported, 2.

Total, 48.

**SEX OF DECEASEDS.**

Males, 25; Females, 13.

**AGE.**

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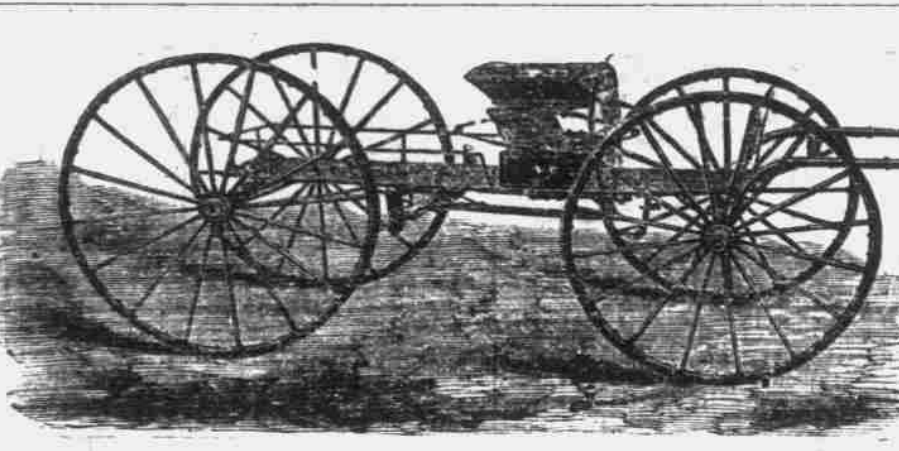
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