

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

Again the county has lost. The much mooted bribery case in which ex-Selectmen Bamberger and Morris were defendants has come to an ending. The case was submitted to the jury at 5 o'clock Friday in Judge Hiles's court. Fifteen minutes later a verdict of not guilty was returned.

An old-time miner, Peter Murphy, who for the past ten years has been constantly employed at the Bullion-Beck at Eureka, was accidentally killed there Friday. It appears that he fell down a wigge about seven o'clock, sustaining injuries from which he died about four hours afterward. Undertaker O'Donnell went out to Eureka on the morning train to take charge of the funeral. The deceased was a man of family and about fifty years of age.

John Mower died very suddenly Thursday. He retired to rest at his usual time the night before and seemed to be enjoying good health. His nephew Ezra Mower, who slept with him, on awaking in the morning found his uncle dead by his side. He appeared to have been dead several hours.

The deceased was 70 years of age and was the first settler at Pleasant View.

Deputy Sheriff Defrey of Salt Lake county came down Tuesday and subpoenaed the witnesses, who appeared in the Eveline Bonnett murder case before Justice Harvey last week, to appear before the grand jury in Salt Lake City this morning at 10 o'clock. It is believed by the officers here that more evidence can be adduced before the grand jury than was possible in the examination before the justice, for the reason that the inquisitors will not be hampered with technical legal objections for attorneys for defendants.

Henry Heldt was accidentally killed in the Horn Silver mine at Frisco last Saturday. He was putting in timbers at a 200-foot level and left for a few moments in search of some blocking; his partner, thinking he had stopped longer than usual, began a search, and when he found him he was partly hidden under a pile of loose dirt and a boulder weighing about 200 pounds rested on the back of his neck. Heldt was a single man about 25 years of age, and has a sister living at Milwaukee and a brother at Two Rivers, Wisconsin, where he formerly resided.

The NEWS had a call Tuesday from Elder O. A. Williams, of Kaysville, who has recently returned from a mission to the Southern States. Elder Williams left his home on Dec. 18, 1898, and has spent most of his time laboring in the state of Florida. The people there, he says, are kind and hospitable and treat the Elders in their midst with great respect. At present there are twenty Elders in the state and they are rejoicing in their labors and are blessed with the best of health. Elder Williams spent two months of his time in Alabama.

The general conference of the Relief Society will be held in the Assembly Hall in this city on Friday, April

3, 1899, meetings commencing at 10 a.m. 2 p.m. and at 7:30 in the evening. It is desirable that each Stake organization of the Relief Society should be well represented. Bishops and brethren are cordially invited to attend the meetings.

ZINA D. H. YOUNG,
President.

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Counselors.

MESA CITY, Ariz., March 20.—General health continues here with a fair degree of prosperity and with hopes of its increase in future. The winter season was somewhat protracted, yet early wheat is in head and lucern will soon be ready to cut. The almond and apricot are plain to see upon the trees at a distance, while the beauty and fragrance of unfolding flowers add a happiness to the home.

Our Co-op mill is doing excellent work and is well sustained and I am proud to see our noble tabernacle structure now taking on its roof. All appear united to sustain and uphold those whose calling it is to lead.

R. F. G.

The bribery case against ex-County Selectmen Bamberger and Cahoon, held the right-of-way in Judge Hiles court again. L. C. Davis, the main witness for the prosecution, was on the stand the whole of the forenoon and was subjected to a very rigid cross-examination. He proved to be a very unprofitable witness for the county. His memory was a gigantic institution of forgetfulness on money matters. He admitted having been in the employ of the county since May last, but has no idea how much he has been paid for his services, which he says have been largely gratuitous. The amounts received have been divided into fifteen or twenty sums, and may aggregate \$500 or \$1,500.

At the city council meeting last Monday evening, a resolution was passed removing J. W. N. Whitecotten from the office of city attorney and declaring the office vacant, two councilmen voting against the resolution.

The judiciary committee, with the mayor added, was empowered to settle the difficulty connected with the appointment of a city attorney if possible. Mr. Whitecotten, who was city attorney under the former city council, was reappointed by Mayor Holbrook; the council refused to confirm the nomination for political reasons, and Mr. Whitecotten has continued to exercise the duties of his office under his former appointment.

The resolution vacating the office was made "in order that said question may be determined and the position of this body may be known and definitely understood."

Elder Charles Wood Jr. of Holden, Millard county, gave the NEWS a call Thursday on his way home from the Great Britain mission field, for whence he left this city in October, 1894. The labors of Elder Wood have been in the London conference and he reports a good feeling existing there with regard to the Mormons and their principles,

prejudices having been allayed recently to a gratifying extent. The health of the Elders in that locality is good and they are enjoying their labors immensely.

Elder Wood's early return was occasioned by the severe illness of his wife, who, it is a pleasure to state, is now rapidly convalescing. He left Glasgow on his return voyage, February 29, and crossed the sea in the steamer Anchoria. The voyage was a very rough one and the arrival at the docks of New York was hailed with pleasure.

Please give a little space in your valuable journal in order to express our warmest thanks to the Relief Society and Y. L. M. I. A., also numerous other friends who have so promptly responded to the call to forward their subscriptions for the poetical works of Emmeline B. Wells soon to be published.

The many expressions of good will and kindly interest from the sisters awaken a responsive echo in our hearts. The active interest and substantial expression of good faith in this labor of love is truly appreciated, and we trust it will be "as the gentle rain from heaven, twice blessed—blessing those who give and those who receive."

For the benefit of those who have hitherto been unable to add to this loving testimonial, we will say that the edition is not entirely exhausted, but the subscription list is still open for those interested to obtain this valuable work. ELLIS R. SHIPP, M. D.

In behalf of Committee.

FARMINGTON, March 18th, 1899.

A terrific thunder storm passed over, or through our city Monday evening, the lightning striking about every three-fourths of a mile. A large poplar tree, twelve inches in diameter, standing on the sidewalk line one hundred feet east of Mrs. Dustin's residence, and one hundred and fifty feet south of our east adobe school house buildings, was torn to pieces leaving a splintered stump standing a few feet above the ground. The current followed the wire of the school house lot combination fence to the gate post in front of the school house and tore to pieces the corner of the post into which the fence staples were driven; although the wire was not continuous to the school house, a pair of double gates being in the fence about half way from the tree to the small gate, both posts of the double gates were also considerably splintered.

T. B. C.

P. S. This is not intended as an invitation for a swarm of lightning rod agents.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Jane Glover was held at the Farmington meeting house Sunday, March 15th, and a large concourse of friends and relatives assembled to pay their last respects to the departed one. The casket in which her mortal remains reposed was covered with beautiful floral tributes, and a large cortege followed the body to its final resting place. The deceased was born December 9, 1816, at Cleydon, Lanarkshire, Scotland, and died at the home of her daughter, Marion Dopp, at Lewiston, Cache county, March 11, 1899. With her parents she emigrated to America