

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

Will close on Friday, 25th September, and re-open on Tuesday, 27th October.

DAVID H. CANNON,
President.

ST. GEORGE, Utah, 4th Sept., 1896.

Last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Dodd of the Fourth ward were thrown from a wagon in Provo canyon. Mr. Dodd had two ribs broken and Mrs. Dodd was somewhat badly bruised. Both are progressing favorably.

Tuesday morning Attorney General Bishop received a telegram from C. W. Sorenson, registrar at Mount Pleasant, containing the following question: "An alien married a citizen; can she register and vote?"

A reply was immediately telegraphed to Mr. Sorenson, saying: "Yes; if the citizen is a voter."

John Briggs Robson, of Coal Bluff, Vigo county, Indiana, is desirous of learning the whereabouts of Thomas Liddle, who came from Craighlea, Durbamsire, England, and is supposed to be in Utah. His wife's maiden name was Frances Brigg, and Mr. Robson, being her cousin, desires to hear from her at the address given above, where the information desired will be thankfully received.

The quarterly conference of the Juarez Stake was held at Colonia Juarez, August 23rd and 24th, 1896. There was present a fair representation from all the wards in the Stake and a rich outpouring of the Spirit of the Lord attended all the meetings of the conference. The General and Stake authorities were all unanimously sustained.

JOSEPH C. BENTLEY,
Stake Clerk.

BRIGHAM, Sept. 14.—Last night at 8:30 Mrs. Eleanor Snow, wife of President Lorenz Snow, died very suddenly at her home of heart disease. The deceased was born in Pennsylvania, Aug. 14, 1831, her parents being Christian and Susan Houtz. She was the mother of six girls and two boys, six of whom are now living. She has nineteen grandchildren. The deceased came to Utah in 1848 and has resided in Brigham City since 1853.

Mrs. Snow has many relatives living in various parts of the State.

IDAHO FALLS, Idaho, Sept. 8, 1896.—The weather of the week ending Monday, September 7, was slightly cooler than the one preceding with occasional light showers. Harvesting has progressed rapidly, and over the greater portion of the state is nearing completion. In parts of the western section threshing is completed; in other sections operations have begun and are well under way. Potatoes are generally an excellent crop, and other unmaturing vegetables are in good condition. Fruit is doing well.

D. P. McCALLUM,
Director.

HACKLEBURG, Sept. 5, 1896.

We would appreciate your kindness beyond measure, if you will (in honor of a noble Samaritan and true friend who has gone to rest) publish the following in the NEWS:

BICKERSTAFF—Died at his home in

Hackleburg, Ala., J. V. Bickerstaff, an old and respectable citizen. He was born in Walker Co., Ala., in the year 1821, and died on Sept. 28, 1895, making him 74 years old. The cause of his death was old age and general debility. He did not belong to the Church, but was a charitable man, and always entertained strangers. He leaves a wife and ten children to mourn his loss.

Sadly and lonely is our home;
Where no father's face we see,
For the angel came one day
And beckoned him away.

A precious one from us has gone;
A voice we loved is stilled;
A place is vacant in our home
Which never can be filled.

E. E. H.

The State board of land commissioners met Thursday and discussed matters pertaining to that department of the State machinery. There were present Governor Wells, Attorney General Bishop, Secretary of State Hammond, Secretary Walton and Mr. Reese. A committee of two—Governor Wells and Mr. Hammond—were appointed to wait upon the regents of the University of Utah and consult with them as to the payment to the board of the moneys collected by the regents on account of lands sold. The proceeds of these sales should have been turned in long ago, but for some reason the board is still without the cash. The committee was appointed to spur up the regents to a realization of the fact that the payment is overdue.

The subject of selections on reservations, when they shall be opened, was also discussed by the board but no definite action was taken.

In answer to an inquiry from L. H. Eddy, county attorney of Grand county, Attorney General Bishop has transmitted the following opinion:

Dear Sir—I have before me your favor of recent date containing the following query and asking to be advised thereon: "Some of the cattlemen of the county have given their number of cattle very low. It is difficult to get evidence which could be used in court as to the number they have, without rounding up their cattle. It is of course a great damage to cattle to round them up, when as in this case they are scattered through the mountains, and I find nothing in the statute which expressly authorizes it. I would like your opinion as to whether the assessor would have a legal right to round up their cattle under these circumstances, would you advise it?"

Replying thereto, permit me to say, that the power of the assessor is defined in section 18 et seq of the Revenue Act, page 431 of the Laws of 1896. His powers are limited by these provisions. I find no express authority given to "round up" the cattle in question, as suggested in your inquiry, and am of opinion, that he has no such power in law.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully yours,

A. C. BISHOP,
Attorney General.

At the family residence, 138 N. Second West Street this, Thursday morning, September 10, at 9:20, Brother Edward W. Davis bade farewell to mortality and passed peacefully away. Elder Davis was born in London, England, and lived to the good age of 89 years. He was an early

settler in Salt Lake City and has a pleasant place in the memory of his many friends. His family has been thoroughly represented in the mission field during the past four years, two sons being now in that calling and one having recently returned home. None feel more keenly the sting of death than do the family, for they were truly a devoted one to their father. The many noble acts and kindly deeds of Brother Davis need no encomiums. They linger with his memory in the hearts of friends and loved ones, while angels rejoice in bidding "welcome home" a father, husband, friend. The example of Elder Davis has been one of faith and integrity that his family and others well may emulate, and will give to them the consolation that his mission in this life was well performed.

Elder Davis died from chronic nephritis.

When the attendance of pupils was figured up Monday it showed that 9,319 had enrolled at the various city schools Monday, the opening of the present school year. That is a gain of 896 over the opening day of last year, and discloses the fact that interest in education is still unabated in Salt Lake. The only drawback is the lack of room for some of the lower grades and of proper accommodation for High School students. The enrollment by schools was as follows:

Summer.....	526
Oquirrh.....	696
Hamilton.....	476
Washington.....	688
Lowell.....	777
Bryant.....	469
Bonneville.....	61
Davis.....	51
Emerson.....	143
Franklin.....	634
Fremont.....	407
Grant.....	761
Irving.....	93
Jackson.....	671
Lincoln.....	464
Longfellow.....	174
Utah.....	171
Wasatch.....	493
Whittier.....	205
Ninth.....	82
Thirteenth.....	22
Tenth.....	297
Twelfth.....	157
High School.....	450
University Training School.....	324
Total.....	9,319

ST. CHARLES, Idaho, Sept. 6, 1896.

Brother Charles G. Keeton Sen. was brought home dead last Thursday. He went to the hayfield last Monday, about fifteen miles distant in his usual health, to put up hay. About noon Thursday his son and brother-in-law, S. Matthews, went to dinner, expecting him to come in a few minutes, as he had about 20 minutes more raking to do. And as he did not come, they became uneasy, and on looking out they saw that the rake horse was standing still. The son mounted a horse and rode to where his father was. He had fallen from the seat, one of his feet had caught in the lever of the rake, while his head was between two spokes of the wheel. Life was extinct. It is supposed that he died in a fit, as he has been subject to them for a number of years.

Brother Keeton was one of the pioneers of St. Charles, coming from Grantsville, Utah, in 1864. He died a faithful Latter-day Saint. Funeral services were held in the meeting house yesterday at 11 a.m.

Elder V. R. Pugmire, son of the late