

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

Father Downs, an old time resident of Logan, died on Sunday and was buried on Tuesday. Old age and general debility caused his death.

Mr. B. Fifield, of Weston, has died as the result of injuries received by falling from the loft to the floor of his barn. He lived and suffered for a week before the end came.

At a meeting held by the Stake Presidency at Avon on Wednesday, George Davis was appointed and sustained as Bishop, vice H. W. Jackson, who had removed. On the same day William H. Hill was presented to and sustained by the people of the new Sterling ward.

Peter Hansen, Danish vice-consul for Utah, announces that he has received news from Odense, Fyen, Denmark, to the effect that the government church record building has been thrown open to searchers after genealogical information and will be pleased to have persons desiring such data to communicate with him.

The stake secretaries of the several organizations in the Stake are respectfully requested to have full and complete reports of their societies and organizations ready as soon as possible. These reports should be for the six months ending December 31, 1894.

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Clerk of Stake.

A large circle of friends will sympathize deeply with Elder Wilford Woodruff Jr., in the death of his estimable wife, which occurred Friday evening. Sister Julia Woodruff had been ill only a few days, the trouble being inflammation of the bowels. The affliction baffled all skill, and resulted fatally, as stated. The deceased was in the 39th year of her age.

The northbound mixed train on the Tinto Range railway was derailed February 1 near Santaquin. Nine freight cars were thrown from the track down a deep embankment. The last freight car remained on the rails. Behnke this was the passenger coach, so that, fortunately, the passengers were not injured or seriously inconvenienced. The cause of the derailment is said to be the spreading of the rails.

PROVO, Utah, Feb. 1.—This afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock, as H. J. Maiben was making a fire in the furnace in the basement of the Excelsior Paint and Drug Co.'s building, the lamp broke and set fire to a lot of wall paper. The prompt appearance of the fire department prevented serious damage from the fire. Water damaged the stock to some extent. A large volume of smoke filled the store and hundreds of people rushed to the place, which is situated in the centre of the business portion of the city.

Word has been received in this city that a young man named Manning, whose parents reside at Hooper, was shot on Wednesday evening at Blackfoot, Idaho, and probably fatally wounded. Manning has been living on Snake river, three miles from Blackfoot. He was at the ranch of John Meelin, to which place he had been

followed by George Wilson. The latter called Manning out, and fired one shot, the ball passing through the young man's body. The shooter was arrested. The cause of the shooting is said to be Wilson's jealousy of his wife. It is stated that he was engaged in a shooting affray on her account at Shoshone, where they formerly lived.

PROVO, Utah, Feb. 2, 1895.—Ralph Oakley, a boy fifteen years old, serving a short term in the Springville jail for fighting, yesterday complained of the cold. He was permitted into the marshal's office to warm himself. After he returned to jail Marshal Storrs noticed a bottle of strychnine had disappeared. Upon investigation he found that the water in the water bucket had been poisoned, also that the poison had been placed in the liquor in a bottle and on bread. Young Oakley today was before Justice Boyer on the charge of attempted poisoning. He was bound over to await the action of the grand jury, in \$5,000 bonds.

Mrs. Rawlins, an elderly lady of Paradise, was badly hurt while returning home from a ward reunion that had been held there. She was carrying one of her infant grandchildren in her arms, when she was run down by a team. She was taken from under the horses badly bruised and with her left arm broken in two places between the wrist and elbow. On account of her age her recovery is slow.

A girl named Steffenhausen was brought in from the northwest part of the valley who had been thrown from a horse. Her arm was broken.

A small boy named John Leishman, cut a severe gash in his hand on Friday. Had the axe been sharp his forefinger and thumb would have been amputated.

Early Sunday morning James Green, who is in his eightieth year, slipped and fell, breaking his leg just below the hip joint. The old gentleman, who resides at the corner of Sixth South and Third West streets, arose about 7 o'clock yesterday morning, and opening the back door walked out onto the doorstep. The step was covered with ice and his foot slipped and he fell to the ground with the above result. His supposed to have lain there for over an hour, when he attracted the attention of some of the neighbors, who immediately took him in and cared for him.

Dr. Benedict was called in and attended to the injured man, setting the limb without the use of an anesthetic. The old gentleman bore up under the operation remarkably well, considering his advanced age. Dr. Benedict expressed great surprise at his coolness and fortitude.

The accident is a very serious one, indeed, and owing to the gentleman's age he will doubtless be laid up for some time. At last accounts, however, he was resting quietly, and seemed to be progressing fairly well.

The Stake presidency held a meeting at Benson ward, Jan. 30 for the purpose of re-organizing the ward, to which an additional area was given at

our conference, by the addition of the Riverside school district. In the afternoon they organized a new ward near Wellsville, combining the Baxter and Sterling school districts. The new ward will be known as the Sterling ward.

The principal instructions given during conference were in relation to tithing, Word of Wisdom, and instruction of the young in the paths of virtue. The danger to the youth of Zion from the constantly increasing immorality received much attention, and many valuable instructions were given as to the best methods of avoiding evils of this nature. The members of theological classes were given a hint that while their studies were of incalculable and lasting benefit when properly applied, their heads should not become so swelled so with the idea that they knew it all, as to lead them to criticize the teachings of the leaders of the Church, or those in authority over them.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Provo Woolen Mills company has been called for the 4th of March, at the office of the company in this city. The question that will be brought before the stockholders is the advisability of consolidating the Provo woolen mills and the Deseret woolen mills, and they will be asked to vote on the proposition.

The movement of consolidation has been under consideration for some time and it is believed that great advantages will result to both institutions by carrying it into effect.

Expenses in management and in disposing of the output of the mills can be reduced; each mill can work continuously on the class on goods its machinery and other conditions enables it to manufacture in the greatest perfection and to the best advantage, and the necessity for cutting prices below cost for the purpose of disposing of stock of similar goods manufactured by both mills will be obviated. It is believed that by systematizing the work of the two concerns the total output can be increased, and the advantages will be realized by both stockholders and operatives by practically making the two large mills one institution.

The Forestry association held a meeting at the joint city and county building Friday night, President J. R. Park in the chair.

After an informal discussion upon the Canadian thistle, it was decided to take steps to resist its encroachments.

The University Quarterly, a magazine that is to appear on March 1st, was adopted as the official organ of the association.

The committee on trees reported that negotiations were pending with the City Council to procure trees from Liberty park to be planted on East Temple and State streets.

The committee appointed to confer with the Horticultural association recommended a consolidation of the two associations. A minority report was made by Mr. Swann, a member of the committee, opposing the recommendation.

Upon the motion of Professor Talmage, the recommendation to consolidate the two associations was rejected.

Selectman Christoffersen read a paper on "Trees as Windbreaks," showing the essentiality of the tree to