

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY, NOVEMBER 16

George Fyler, a respected resident of the Tenth ward, passed suddenly away at his home yesterday morning from bronchitis. Mr. Fyler had been sick but a few days, although at the time of his death his eyesight had almost failed him. He was an old settler, having lived in this city upwards of 30 years.

Through correspondence received at President Snow's office from President Charles O. Card of Cardston, Canada, it is learned that six hundred new settlers have been added to the Cardston Stake this year, and that work is being pushed by these new-comers on the Alberta irrigation canal, and that there is still plenty of room for many others who contemplate settling in that country in the spring.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, NOVEMBER 17.

Elder John W. Taylor, president of the Colorado mission, writes to the "News," asking that notice be given of the change of the address of the mission. It is now located in room 201 McPhee block, Denver, Colo.

General Manager Kerr of the Sanpete Valley railroad said this morning that from now on there would be greater activity in the coal mines at Sterling. Within the last two weeks they had increased the force at the mines more than double and had in view a still greater increase in the near future. He said the quality of coal produced from these mines was equal to the Pleasant Valley company's product, and the intention was to push it upon the market. The road was never in a better condition, and when the year's report was made out would show a great increase in traffic.

C. A. Smith, a member of the Nebraska volunteers, was at the Kenyon today, coming directly from Manila. Mr. Smith says that when he left the Philippines everything was quiet though Aguinaldo and the insurgents were uneasy and had to be watched closely and constantly. He spoke of the Utah boys and said that not half enough had been said in their praise. After all is said it was more to their actions and bravery that Manila became the easy prey it was and the loss of life so small. Mr. Smith was discharged on account of sickness, and will go directly to Omaha this evening.

The death of a very amiable woman, Mrs. Henry Andrews of Leadville, Colorado, sister of Mrs. L. C. Trent of this city, occurred at St. Mark's hospital shortly before last midnight. Mrs. Andrews had been a resident of this city for a few months only, coming here for the benefit of her health. But instead of getting better, she grew steadily worse, necessitating the performance of surgical operations from which she found it impossible to recover. During her sojourn in Salt Lake she had endeared herself to many people and all will sincerely regret to learn of her demise and will sympathize heartily with those who are bereaved.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, NOVEMBER 18.

Mrs. George W. Swan, whose address is Creston, Union Co., Iowa, would gladly receive information concerning the whereabouts of her brother, Frank Rice. Mr. Rice is about thirty years old, medium height, of sturdy build,

has black hair and sandy beard. When last heard from Mr. Rice was at Ogden, Utah. That was Nov. 17, 1890.

Less than a month before then he was boarding at the White House, Salt Lake City. Previous to that time it seems that his employment was connected with the railroad between Ogden and Salt Lake City. He used to write home every few weeks and inform his parents, brothers and sisters of his location, occupation, etc. But all at once the correspondence stopped and they have anxiously watched and waited for the past eight years to hear of him or from him again, but have not. Hoping they will receive glad tidings, I am an inquirer in their behalf.

DAVID RISHTON, Creston, Ia.

Over a thousand people met at Christensen's hall Thursday evening in response to invitations from the Young Ladies' Mutual Improvement associations, to do honor to Sisters Mary A. Freeze and Mary P. Young, the retiring president and counselor respectively of the Stake association. The hall was inadequate to comfortably accommodate those who attended, but the course was a good-natured, amiable one and everything passed off very smoothly.

The reception opened shortly after 7:30 o'clock with a grand march participated in by a host of young ladies. Then followed a splendid program of songs, recitations and instrumental music, under the direction of George A. Smith, master of ceremonies, those taking part being Miss Ida Pitt, Miss Beatrice Green, Master Willard Flashman, Miss Lillie Pye, Miss Kate Billeter, Miss Addie Solomon, Miss Vera Parkinson, Mrs. Griggs, Miss Pratt, Miss Claire Wimmer, Mrs. Dinwoodey, Miss Carrie Edmonds, Miss Stay, Miss Edwards, Miss Bessie Edmonds, Maggie Bassett, Louie Felt and Mr. Petersen.

The hall was nicely decorated with cut flowers and potted plants and the guests of honor occupied places on the stage where they were greeted during the evening by their friends and co-laborers in the Mutual Improvement cause. Sister Felt, who for a number of years served the Eleventh ward association as president, was presented with a beautiful bunch of chrysanthemums by the young ladies of that ward, fitting remarks accompanying the presentation. While the program was being rendered those present were served with delicious lemonade, dispensed from different parts of the hall by an obliging corps of young ladies.

The reception was a marked success and all enjoyed themselves immensely. It was brought to a close promptly at 11 o'clock.

Hon. W. H. Seegmiller, president of the Sevier Stake, and ex-member of the Legislature, came up to Salt Lake today on business. He brings with him words of good cheer from the people of that section, and with noticeable self-satisfaction, tells of the material blessings that have come to them the past season; how a kindly Providence has caused the earth to bring forth in abundance, and how, in fact, their horns of plenty are filled to overflowing. No untoward circumstances have been their's except in the mysterious destruction by fire of the Richfield Tabernacle, so nearly ready for use when the fire fiend swept it out of existence. That, of course, can only be looked upon by many as a calamity, and yet the people have rounded up their shoulders to the inevitable and have set to again with hearty good will to erect a larger and finer structure in all respects than

the one which fell a prey to incendiarism.

The Sevier fruit crop is somewhat lighter than usual, but all agricultural products have been harvested in phenomenally large quantities. Wheat, oats, barley, hay, potatoes and other farm products fill the granaries, yards and cellars of the people, whose pleasant faces are burning testimonies of individual and collective prosperity. The machinery is being put into the big wheat storage elevator at Richfield. The building will be complete and ready to receive its cereal treasure in about another month. It will have a capacity of about 53,000 bushels, and will be a great boon to Sevier county farmers.

The cattle industry is practically a thing of the past in Sevier county, says President Seegmiller. It has been dwindling for years and is now scarcely more than a remembrance. The sheep business is not very much better and the people have been gradually turning their efforts in other directions. As a result of the great falling off in these two lines of occupation an immense quantity of hay has been raised which cannot be consumed at home and for which there is no local market. Almost any amount of the very best hay can be bought in Sevier county for \$2 per ton. Mr. Seegmiller says he has four hundred tons stored in Richfield which he will sell for that price.

Many of those who formerly engaged in live stock pursuits have become horticulturists. Prune and Ben Davis apple orchards principally are being planted in great numbers and it is confidently expected that they will be very profitable; in fact they are already so.

The farmers are somewhat behind this year in their fall plowing, on account of a lack of rain and water with which to moisten the soil. But organized foresight and triumphant effort have entirely overcome a condition conducive to a scarcity of water for another year. Two reservoirs will be in readiness by next season. One is situated in Otter creek and the other on a stream which comes from the mountains to the west of Richfield known as Three Mile creek. The former is looked upon as the best natural reservoir site in the Intermountain country. It is a natural trough, the drainage basin of Grass valley, and is filled with innumerable springs. A 35 foot dam has been built across its mouth and will back the water up so that it will be twenty-five feet deep six miles distant. The fact is it makes a veritable lake that will hold sufficient water for the entire valley. The dam is almost as unshakable as Gibraltar itself, and it is said there need never be any fear of it breaking. It was simply built by nature itself.

The county, says Mr. Seegmiller, has an excellent system of schools this year, better than ever before. More teachers are employed than at any previous time and new school buildings are being erected. Elsinore and Aurora are two of the towns that have recently provided themselves with additional modern educational structures.

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY, NOVEMBER 19.

The Danish consul, Mr. Hansen of this city, is in receipt of a letter from a Huntsville friend, giving an account of a pleasant surprise on Mrs. Anna Erickson, the writer's mother, who is one of the oldest women of the State. The affair took place several days ago and was executed by about 100 young ladies. The respected hostess is in her 95th year and was surprised by her young friends on account of her many acts of charity and kindness in the past. For nearly an average life time