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HAVING been duly appointed Adminis-

trator of the estate of Levi Mordock,

late deceased, in the Probate Court of Salt

Lake County, Utah Territory,

Notice is hereby given to all the creditors

of said deceased, and all persons having

claims against said deceased or estate, that

they are required to exhibit the same with

the necessary vouchers to the undersigned,

at the office of said Administrator, in Salt

Lake City, Utah, on or before the 15th day

of December next, after which date no

claims will be received by him.

JOHN W. MORDOCK,

Administrator of said Estate.

## BY TELEGRAPH.

EASTERN.

CAPITAL CHAT.

More Hint Figures.

WASHINGTON, 17.—The annual

report of the Director of the Mint

contains the following statement of

special interest to the Pacific Coast.

Director Burdard, referring to the

San Francisco Mint, says: This in-

stitution is provided with every fac-

ility for executing a large amount of

work, and is in a thoroughly

efficient condition. Under the able

and economical management of its

present superintendent, the inter-

ests of both the Government and

depositors have been carefully pro-

ected.

The volume of gold has been

fully kept up and prompt settle-

ment made for deposits. The vol-

ume of standard silver dollars was

larger than at any other time, and

could have been readily increased

if sufficient silver bullion had been

offered to the Government at mar-

ket rates.

The total expenditures at this

Mint during the last fiscal year

were \$361,755, as against a total of

about \$402,000 at Philadelphia,

\$125,000 at Carson, \$19,000 at

Denver, \$17,000 at New Orleans

and \$61,000 at the New York assay

office.

The total deposits and purchases

of gold and silver bullion during

the same period were as follows:

San Francisco, \$43,329,885; Phila-

delphia, \$19,300,000; Carson, \$2,000,000;

Denver, \$1,417,000; New Orleans,

\$1,196,000; New York, \$17,865,261.

The Director recommends that

appropriations be made to complete

the Carson mint, as originally

planned, and also to add a second

floor to connect with the refinery,

the present capacity of which

is a consideration to the small

amount of coinage at this institu-

tion during the last year, that own-

ers of silver bullion have demanded

higher prices for delivery at Car-

son, than at Philadelphia or San

Francisco.

Director Burdard reports that

the Denver mint and Boise City

assay office are efficiently man-

aged, but the building at Denver is

in an unsatisfactory condition, be-

ing in fact unsafe, the irregular sit-

ing of the foundation having made it

dangerous for occupancy. He adds:

Provision should be made not only

to restore the building, but to pro-

vide for additional facilities for

manipulating the precious metals.

This mint is located in the midst of

a prosperous and rapidly growing

community, being at the railroad

center of connecting lines from the

principal mining sections of the

State, as well as from New Mexico.

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