

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY, NOVEMBER 24.

Elder G. A. Hill, of Blaine, Davis county, returned home today from a mission to the Northern States. He left Utah November 16, 1895, and labored continuously in the Southern Illinois conference. He enjoyed good health most of the time and says the conference is in a very satisfactory condition.

Provo, Utah, Nov. 24.—As this morning's Rio Grande Western train arrived from Salt Lake Susan M. McBride, the nine-year-old daughter of Mrs. Annie R. McBride, died from heart disease. Mrs. McBride was on here way from Salt Lake to Richfield. She has lately arrived from Colorado to visit relatives in Utah. Her husband is said to be in Arizona. It is not known whether the child will be buried here.

G. Dove McQuesten a former Salt Lake and assistant clerk of the board of education of this city in 1894-5 and who gave up his residence here for a lucrative position in one of the Federal departments at the seat of national government has written an interesting letter to a friend here regarding the return to home and friends after an absence of 47 years, of an uncle, Leroy N. McQuesten.

For thirty years the missing man had maintained a silence as absolute as that of the tomb. His return therefore has been made the occasion of rejoicing in the Questen family. Then the fact that he comes back laden with wealth has not lessened the rejoicing. With two brothers, one of them the father of young McQuesten who resided here he started on a gold hunting expedition which covered a long period of years and which extended from California to Klondike. The two brothers wearied with the pursuit of fickle fortune returned home many years ago. But Leroy kept on and on in search of wealth till he found it. A few days ago he turned up in Washington in one of the department offices and met his nephew. A part of the story is told by the Washington Post as follows:

Leroy N. McQuesten, who, for the past few days has been the guest of G. Dove McQuesten, of 911 New Hampshire avenue, is one of the returned Klondikers. His adventures read like romance. At the age of fourteen he became imbued with the gold fever, and, together with his brother Varnum and two cousins, Henry W. and William started for the new Eldorado in California.

The little party prospected with varying success for nearly ten years, after which Henry became disgusted, and returned home. William and Leroy McQuesten continued their search, and in 1863 landed in the Frazier River country, in British Columbia. Here the luck was little better, and William left and started back home. Leroy, however, had the fever in its worst form, and continued the search. In '64 he pushed northward into Alaska, and in addition to placer mining, began trading with the Indians and miners. He amassed a considerable fortune, and now, after an absence of forty-seven years, will return to his old home in Litchfield, N. H. It has been over thirty years since any of his relatives heard from him. Mr. McQuesten is enthusiastic over the riches of the Klondike region.

He left the city at 11 o'clock yesterday morning for his New Hampshire home.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, NOVEMBER 26.

Elder Fred C. Rossiter of the Tenth ward of this city has returned home from a mission to the Society Islands, whither he went Nov. 26, 1894. He had a pleasant and profitable experience and during the last thirteen months presided over the work of the Australian group.

At the regular meeting of the Sunday School Union board, held on the 11th of November, 1897, Elders L. John Nuttall and James W. Ure were unanimously sustained as aids to the board. This notice is published for the purpose of informing the Stake and ward authorities of the action of the board in the appointment of these brethren.

DESERET SUNDAY SCHOOL UNION BOARD.

The home of Frank Merrill, 65 I street, was the scene of a burglary early this morning, in which the thief proved successful and got away with a plain gold ring and one with an opal setting. The burglar got in through the front door by applying a skeleton key, and made his exit through the back door, without disturbing any of the occupants. The visitor would like to have taken Mr. Merrill's overcoat, but finding it too cumbersome, he left it on the back door-step.

Considerable excitement was caused by a pistol shot explosion in a lodging house at the corner of East Temple and Third South streets shortly after last midnight. Inquiry elicited the information that the revolver was discharged in the room of A. M. Cannon Jr. Mr. Cannon says he was handling the weapon somewhat indifferently and that it was accidentally exploded. The bullet went through the right hand and lodged in the wall. A surgeon was called and an examination of the wound made. The injury is a somewhat serious one but complete recovery of the use of the member is expected.

Mt. Pleasant Pyramid: John O. Jones of this city came in Saturday last and reports the particulars of a case which will result in trouble for some one before it is ended. Mr. Jones some days ago missed about 280 sheep from his herd, which was then on Reeder ridge. He immediately started in search of them, and Saturday came upon a band of about that number in Emery county in charge of the Kofford boys of Spring City. The sheep had been recently re-marked and Mr. Jones was positive they were the ones he was in search of. He came back to Mt. Pleasant, secured assistance and went back to begin proceedings to recover them. He says he was followed by some one on his journey to this city but who the person was he was unable to say. There will be a serious difficulty when the return of the sheep is demanded.

Mount Pleasant Pyramid: The Union Mercantile Co. of Mount Pleasant, through a change of the firm name this week, is no more in existence. Andrew Madsen and Sons having purchased the entire business and stock of the old company, and having assumed all responsibility, it was deemed advisable that the name of the institution be changed, consequently it is now A. Madsen & Son's Mercantile Co. The new company was regularly incorporated, and the following are the officers: A. Madsen, president; Andrew C. Madsen, vice president; Niel M. Madsen, secretary and treasurer; and the officers with Anthon Madsen and Mrs. J. E. Madsen, are the directors. The business will be carried on the

same place, and there will be no particular change made at the present in the methods of the firm.

Parowan City, Nov. 24, 1897.

Night before last the fearful cry of "Fire!" resounded through our city, and when the people rushed out of their houses they could see the heavens, the mountains and the valley lighted up for miles around. It was the fine large corral of Brother Richard Rowley on fire; two barns filled with hay, straw and hay stacks out side, sheds, stables, three pigs, etc., were all consumed in a short time. Brother Rowley and his wife were not at home, having gone to St. George, and only the children were left. They had locked themselves in the house and when the people came and the children saw the fire they were so frightened they were unable to unlock the door for a considerable time. A horse and a number of cows were removed before the fire reached them. The people, seeing they could not save the corral and barns, confined themselves to stopping the fire from spreading further, in which they succeeded.

The origin is unknown. This is the third fire in Parowan in the last seven months. Our grist mill, a fine two-story frame building, not including cellar and attic, was burned in April last. Three or four weeks ago William E. Holyoak had his corrals and stacks of hay and straw burned up. We have been singularly free from fires in our past history and these late fires work the people up and cause considerable talk about having a local insurance company. The parties losing by the above named fires carried no insurance.

The grain crops have yielded finely the past season, nearly everyone having more than they expected. The Parowan Co-operative Manufacturing and Mercantile company have placed an order for the machinery for a forty barrel flour roller mill with the George T. Smith Manufacturing company of Jackson, Michigan.

WILLIAM C. MCGREGOR.

The G. A. R. hall on Second South street was the scene of a very lively scrimmage at 1:30 this morning. The occasion was a row between colored men who were celebrating Thanksgiving day, and incidentally extending a welcome to Pugilists Dixon and Walcott, who gave a fistic exhibition at the Lyceum theater last night.

John W. Dent, barkeeper of the Clipper saloon, was the victim and is now lying at St. Mary's hospital with a bullet hole through his body. The bullet, however, was intended for another man, Conductor McCauley of the orchestra, and was fired by Al Shaver, who mixes drinks at the Canteen saloon on Commercial street. The trouble occurred over Shaver attempting to instruct the conductor of the orchestra. The instruction was resented and in a trice there was a regular "razor in de air" time. McCauley got out of the way just in time to escape being shot. But his good fortune was Dent's misfortune, the latter receiving the bullet just below the diaphragm on the left side. It passed entirely through the body. Drs. McKenna, Meacham and Root, after a hasty examination, ordered the wounded man sent to the hospital where he was given the necessary surgical treatment.

Shaver is known as a "high roller" among the colored people of the city. During the excitement that followed the shooting he made good his escape. The officers kept up a vigilant search for him all night but not succeed in apprehending him. He is a married man and his wife lives at Leadville.

Shaver, or Shaffer—his name is