

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

A private telegram received Saturday announced that at 3 o'clock that morning Judge Albert Hagan died in the Cœur de Alene country, Idaho.

Judge Hagan formerly resided in this city, being a member of the prominent firm of Tifford & Hagan.

The oldest man on the grounds at the horticultural fair was Charles Twelves, of Provo, 77 years of age; prize, one pair of embroidered slippers. The oldest woman was Anna Danielson, of Mill Creek, aged 88 years; prize, one Rochester stand lamp.

Signed by committee, Fred Price, Heber Beunton, J. P. Sorenson.

Andrew Bradley, the unfortunate Park City mining man, who was so badly injured in an explosion about ten days ago that he lost both of his eyes, and who was otherwise seriously hurt, died at St. Mary's hospital in this city Sunday. His remains were removed to Collins's undertaking establishment, from whence they will be buried.

Thomas Hepworth, the well known butcher who fell down the elevator shaft of the Lambert Paper company, a few days ago, as chronicled in the NEWS at the time, died at his residence Wednesday morning at 12:30 as a result of his injuries.

The deceased was a native of England and was 68 years of age. He arrived in this city from Great Britain on the 15th of September, 1882, and continued to reside here up to the time of his death.

William Sawtell, a cowboy, employed by Preston Nutter, was yesterday, says a special to the *Herald*, handling rock salt in the Strawberry valley, and scattering it around for the stock. While lifting a heavy piece of salt, his pistol dropped, striking the bed of the wagon and exploding the cartridge. The bullet entered Sawtell's right arm, just above the elbow, came out and pierced the fleshy part of the back just below the right shoulder. He was brought to Provo late last night. He is now at the Excelsior house attended by Dr. Allen.

SCOTFIELD, Utah, June 18.—The home boys were having a social game of baseball on Thursday evening last, and while Thomas Cunningham was using the bat, it slipped from his hands and struck his cousin Willie (the 12 year old son of Bro. John Cunningham) with such force that it caused his death after intense suffering for twenty-five hours.

The interment took place on Sunday. The services took place at the meeting house, which were largely attended. The ball players were the pall bearers. There is no blame attached to anyone, it was purely accidental. The small boys had been warned to keep out of the way.

Tuesday afternoon's northern train will carry as passengers bound for the Sound country a party consisting of President Woodruff, wife and daughters, and Presidents George Q. Cannon and Joseph F. Smith, with members of their families. The journey is undertaken for health and pleasure

and it is hoped that it will afford especial relief to President Woodruff, who has been suffering for some time past with asthmatic troubles. The trip will probably occupy two weeks and before being concluded the party may visit San Francisco. They occupy a private car kindly furnished by Mr. Bancroft of the U. P. The News joins in the hope that the President may receive the expected relief from the visit to the lower altitude and the sea coast.

James H. Hear, News agent at Fielding, Box Elder county, came down to Salt Lake by rail Friday morning. He says the frost there on Sunday night last was most destructive. Prior to that time the prospects for a good crop were better than at any in the history of the settlement. Everything pointed to a most unusual yield. But all tender vegetation and even the grain crops have suffered in a degree in many instances beyond recovery. The greatest damage was done to fall wheat which when the frost came was in full bloom. Spring wheat was not far enough advanced to be susceptible to such serious damage. The loss is estimated at about 50 per cent and it may transpire that it is even more than that.

Mrs. Lucy Cottle, wife of Henry E. Cottle, died at the family residence, No. 431 east First South street, Friday afternoon, under circumstances of the most distressing character.

Mrs. Cottle had been in poor health for a period covering several years and had been in the habit of taking various medicines and tonics and on Wednesday evening by mistake swallowed a heavy dose of carbolic acid mixed in Port wine. The contents of the glass had scarcely passed down her throat before the awful and fatal error was discovered. Mr. Cottle, her husband, was in an adjoining room and hearing groans and an unusual disturbance, rushed in to where the unfortunate woman was writhing in the most terrible agony. Dr. Beatty was immediately summoned and with relatives and kind friends worked persistently, patiently and skillfully to overcome the effects of the deadly acid but without success.

News has reached this city to the effect that W. H. Ryan died at Grand Junction, Colorado, on Thursday night and that he was buried at that place Friday afternoon.

Mr. Ryan was a locomotive engineer by profession and came to Utah with the advent of the Rio Grande Western railroad and remained in its employ for a number of years. He was considered a most skillful man in his line of business. He took an active and untiring part in the campaign between the People's party and Liberals in 1890, and on the victory of the latter was, by Mayor Scott, appointed superintendent of waterworks for this city. During his administration much work was done and a vast amount of money expended.

A few weeks ago Mr. Ryan went to Grand Junction to fill a contract for putting in a system of waterworks in

that city. The cause of his death was diabetes. He was forty-five years of age and a native of New York. He died at the residence of Mrs. J. W. Swaney, a sister-in-law. He leaves a wife and one child.

The committee appointed by Delegate F. J. Cannon to examine candidates for the Utah cadetship to the United States Naval academy at Annapolis, have completed their labors.

Daniel Hammer Wells Jr., of Salt Lake City, was the successful candidate for the position, and W. Bruce Palmer, of Fort Douglas, was declared alternate. David Atton Nelson, of Ogden, came third best, and Robert Harold Fisher, of Salt Lake City, fourth.

The members of the committee present were Frank Pierce, chairman, George Q. Coray, of the University of Utah, Prof. B. Cluff, of the Brigham Young Academy. Absent, President W. J. Kerr, of the B. Y. College and Prof. R. S. Page of Ogden. Dr. Penrose was the examining physician. The examining committee was assisted by Prof. C. A. Whitney and Prof. Byron Cummings of the University of Utah. The decision was reached at 2:15 this afternoon.

There were nine candidates for the position, the five not mentioned above being Don Carlos Johnson Jr., of Springville; Willard McRay, of Granger; Ralph Roy Ives, of Ogden; Charles W. Bechtel, of Salt Lake City, and Heber Edward Smyth, of Fountain Green.

B. Cluff Jr., president of the People's Canal and Irrigation company, Snake River valley, Idaho, came down from Blackfoot Wednesday on business connected with his company. He reports that crops look well but are backward. The weather has been very cold, and on Monday night a severe frost cut the potatoes and other tender plants.

The People's Canal, of which the NEWS has made mention several times, heads about ten miles above Blackfoot, on the west side, and will flow, when completed, a distance of thirty-five or forty miles, covering over a hundred thousand acres of as good farm land as there is in the state of Idaho. The canal is at present thirty feet wide on the bottom with a fall of two feet to the mile, and will carry three feet of water; but when fully completed it will be sixty feet on the bottom with four feet of water. Fifteen miles are already completed, and the work is being pushed as rapidly as possible with the view of completing twenty-five or thirty miles by the end of this season.

The land is being rapidly taken up, principally by settlers from Bear Lake county, Cache Valley and Weber county. Some also have gone from Provo and Southern Utah. During April, ninety homestead entries were made in the land office at Blackfoot, and in May eighty-five entries were made. However, there is plenty of good land yet awaiting the settler.

News came from Coalville Tuesday of a terrible fatality near that place on Sunday evening. The particulars are as follows:

On Saturday last Mr. and Mrs. Edward Reese, of Coalville, with their ten-year-old son, Johnnie, left their