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LOCAL NEWS.

FROM TUESDAY'S DAILY, NOV. 10

Serious Accident.—A car on the Sanpete Valley railway jumped the track yesterday, and a young lady passenger, by the name of Maria Evans, becoming alarmed, sprang from the train and had her leg badly bruised and broken as a consequence.

Sisom Arraigned.—This morning, Joseph Sisom, who lives on the State Road, in West Jordan, was arrested on indictments found against him by the grand jury, charging unlawful cohabitation. He was brought before the Third District Court, and arraigned on two indictments, to both of which he pleaded not guilty. Bail was fixed at \$500 for each offense. Sisom is a non-Mormon, but was formerly a member of the Church.

Thuggism in Sanpete.—By special telegram to the News from Mt. Pleasant we learn that last night the Sanpete County Prosecuting Attorney, Wm. K. Reid, of Manti, went from his lodging in Mt. Pleasant to the post office, and while on his way back he was knocked down by two men who assailed him with a rock and battered him considerably about the head. It is supposed that robbery was not the intention, but they took all the money he had on him.

Randolph Items.—A correspondent, writing from Randolph, Rich County, says: "The good people of this quiet little settlement have greatly enlarged their farming facilities, and this season they have raised 25,000 bushels of grain. They are building a canal from Woodruff, a distance of twelve miles, which will (when completed) water over 10,000 acres of land.

"This being the county seat of Rich County they of course have a county court house, which is very conspicuous for its smallness and looks more like an abandoned stable.

"The people here seem to be very law-abiding, for the county jail has fallen into disuse and is in a very dilapidated condition."

The Stockmen.—The delegates of the Utah Stock Association to the St. Louis Convention will meet here on the morning of the 19th, and proceed, in company with the Idaho, Nevada and Wyoming delegations, to Denver, where they will be given a reception; from that point they will go in a body to their destination, arriving there on the morning of the 22d. A special train will be furnished them at Denver.

Those who have certificates of membership will be carried free by the Utah Central to this city. Those who have not yet forwarded their names would do well to do so at once, so as to secure their transportation. It is desired that all be on hand here and ready to start on the date first named. No reply has yet been received to questions as to families of delegates accompanying them, but it is expected half rates at least will be secured.

Northern Notes.—Brother E. S. Penrose, writing from Montpelier on the 7th inst., sends us the following items of news:

Montpelier is getting to be quite a lively little town; several improvements have been made here of late, and there are now quite a number of new buildings going up. Brother Edward Burgoyne, who has done considerable towards building up the town, is putting up four neat little cottages near the railway depot, which will be completed in a very short time. He has also four other houses which he has rented. He is doing a thriving business. He has two stores here and one at Granger; enjoys a very good share of the trade in this valley, and keeps quite a number employed.

A week ago last Monday John Wuthrich (a German), met with an acci-

dent while hauling hay from the field about half a mile west of the railroad depot. He was climbing upon the hay stack with his hay fork in his hand, with the tines upward, when he lost his footing and fell about 14 feet, striking on the fence and the tines of the fork, one of which pierced his side, making a wound about a foot long and striking against his collar bone; another struck his throat. He was alone at the time, but he pulled with all his might and freed himself and then managed to climb in his wagon and start up his team, after which he fainted away. The team was stopped as it was passing the depot by Brother Jos. M. Phelps and others, who saw blood running from the wagon. They found the man in the bottom of the wagon unconscious, and he was conveyed to the drug store, where Dr. C. A. Hoover attended to his injuries. He had lost a great deal of blood while going from the field to the drug store—a distance of rather more than a mile, but he has got along very nicely since, and will soon be well again. It was a very close call for him, and his escape from bleeding to death was little less than marvelous.

There has been quite a fall of snow here within the last two or three days, much more than on the other side of the valley. It is cloudy now and the weather is milder, but it looks like rain.

A number of people are moving to Star Valley, a new country just lately located, situated forty miles east of Montpelier. It is said to be a very fine country, and is being settled up quite fast of late. It is a splendid place for stock, as there is a great deal of hay land and plenty of water.

Quite an improvement has lately been made in the roads between Ovid and Montpelier, and the Bear River bridge, which has been in a very dilapidated and dangerous condition, has been repaired. Several new bridges have also been built along the road, where, in the springtime, the roads were almost impassable. The work is under the direction of road supervisor James A. Hay.

Mr. Jacob West, of Logan, who was so badly injured about two weeks ago, on the O. S. L. R. R. track, is in a fair way to recovery, as I learn from Dr. Hoover, who has been attending him.

A DEPUTY SLUGGED.

COLLIN CORNERED AND "CARESSED."

This afternoon, Deputy Marshal Sprague arrested Andrew D. Burt, on a complaint charging him with assault and battery upon the person of Deputy Collin. The fact that Burt had previously been arrested by a policeman for the same offense and was at the time under bonds to appear for trial to-morrow, weighed nothing with the worthy who conducted this extraordinary proceeding, and the defendant was again ushered into the presence of a committing magistrate (McKay) and required to give \$1,000 bonds to answer to the grand jury.

The trouble seems to have started over Burt taking offense at a sneer of Collin's as the latter was entering the Fisher Beer Hall, and an explanation was asked for. Collin replied that Burt was "a d-d spotter." This Burt denied, when Collin repeated his affront, adding to it the sticking out of his tongue, at which Burt struck him on the side of the head, again on the face, and Allie Barker jumped between them, preventing further hostilities.

This Collin is a rather, highly-perfumed specimen of a sneaking officer, and an ungrateful wretch. For some time he and his family's wants were supplied by the people he has lately been so actively engaged in oppressing and betraying, and the expenses of his child's funeral, which occurred in the Eleventh Ward some two years ago, were borne by the little "Mormon" boys and girls of that ward. His acts of late need no special comment—they speak too loudly and unmistakably for themselves.

WILLIAM COWAN

HAS A PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION—
HIS CASE BEFORE THE GRAND
JURY TO-DAY.

Yesterday afternoon deputies appeared at the home of Mr. William Cowan, in the Eighth Ward, and at his son's residence, with a summons for the inmates to appear forthwith at Commissioner McKay's office as witnesses, and also served a notice for them to act in a similar capacity before the grand jury this morning. About the same time Deputy S. L. Sprague called at Teasdel's store and served a warrant of arrest on Mr. Cowan, on the charge of unlawful cohabitation. Mr. Cowan is an aged gentleman, and for a long time past has been suffering from a severe attack of illness from which he has recovered sufficiently to be barely able to resume his duties in the store. He was taken to the Commissioner's office, where he entered a plea

of not guilty to the complaint, which charges cohabitation with Mary Cowan and Jane Stoner Cowan as his wives.

There were no attorneys present, for either prosecution or defense, so the commissioner conducted the entire examination himself. His effort at covering all points in the legal triangle—court, prosecutor and defender—seemed to have the effect of evenly-balancing him, for the proceedings throughout were more dignified and respectful than those occurring for a long time. This fact suggests the idea that it would be advisable to exclude lawyers hereafter.

Mrs. Jane S. Cowan, the second wife, was the first witness called. She testified that she was married to the defendant on the 30th of March, 1867; knew the defendant had a wife, Mary, living at the time; Mary had four children and witness had eight; witness resided at 547 S. East Temple Street; she and Mary lived in separate houses; the houses were adjoining; defendant lived in witness' house for seven and a half years; the family lived in entire peace as one family; it was understood that Mr. Cowan was to live with her; the family had made the arrangement; Mr. Cowan supported Mary as his wife; did not know any specific reason for the arrangement; it was not made with witness, but between defendant and Mary; Mary was an invalid, and witness cared for her when her daughter was absent; knew defendant was married to Mary; the wives owned the property; the defendant was a clerk in Teasdel's store.

Mrs. Jane Cowan stated that she was the defendant's daughter-in-law; her husband's name was John; the defendant lived in his house on East Temple Street; had seen the defendant in Mary's house; had seen him eat in both houses; never saw him sleep in either house; had been there but seldom; the last time witness was there was last December, when Mrs. Cowan met with an accident and the Elders were called in to administer to her; had seen the defendant call in there a number of times during the last three years, but in that time had not seen him eating at Mary's; he ate in Jane Cowan's.

Joseph Cowan testified that he was a son of Jane Stoner Cowan; knew Mary Cowan; she was defendant's wife; last saw her in August; defendant lived in Jane's house; had lived there as long as witness could remember—six years; had lived there all the time; witness had seen his father at Mary's in the day time; never knew of his remaining there overnight; had not been there for a long time; defendant never stayed there after 9 p.m., but called two or three times a day; Mary, he thought, was about 70, and her health was very poor; the defendant had not lived with Mary for about six years, but supported and treated her as his wife, except that he did not live there.

In answer to the Commissioner's question, Mrs. Jane Cowan said both women were treated the same, except that the defendant did not live with Mary.

Mr. Cowan himself stated that he visited Mary when he went home from work to his meals, but lived with Jane; he held both women to be his wives; the arrangement between them was perfectly satisfactory to all; he had been a clerk at Teasdel's since thirteen years last April; had a family of eight to support; his only income was his salary.

The Commissioner announced that as the witnesses had been subpoenaed to appear before the grand jury this morning, he would continue the matter over till Wednesday at 10 a.m., in order to await the inquisitors' action.

Mr. Cowan was released on his own recognizance, to appear at the time appointed.

The witnesses in the case were examined before the grand jury this morning.

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY, NOV. 11

Discharged.—Mr. William Cowan, whose examination on the charge of unlawful cohabitation was continued until to-day, to await the grand jury's action, was discharged from custody by Commissioner McKay this morning.

House Searched.—Yesterday morning Deputy U. S. Marshal Vandercook, accompanied by Miles Mix, formerly of Ogden, but later a guard at the penitentiary, appeared at the house of Apostle Moses Thatcher, at Logan, Cache County, and made a thorough search of the entire premises. The impression was given out that the deputies were looking for President George Q. Cannon. Mr. Thatcher was not home at the time.

Secretary Thomas Returned.—Secretary Thomas returned from the east last evening, whither he went to attend the meeting of the Utah Commission in Washington. He brought with him the full text of the Commissioners' report, which we have not space for to-day.

The Secretary says that each additional visit to the east gives strength to his determination to make his permanent residence in the west.

Bereaved.—We are pained at being under the necessity of chronicling the death of Laron, the eldest son of Brother Laron Pratt, who had been suffering for some time with typhoid fever, pneumonia and rheumatism, and finally succumbed to heart disease at 11:45 this morning. He was a bright and promising boy of 15 years, and was universally beloved by his acquaintances. The bereaved parents have our heartfelt sympathy in this their hour of sorrow. May the Holy Spirit comfort their hearts.

The Immigrants.—The last company of European immigrants for this season, who sailed from Liverpool on the 24th ult., arrived in this city at 8:15 last evening, and were met and welcomed by a host of friends and acquaintances, who immediately took a large proportion of them to their homes.

Elder Anthon H. Lund was in charge of the company, and the immigrants speak in terms of the warmest praise of his efficiency in that position and of the care and attention which they also received from the other missionaries who returned with them. The journey was prosperous throughout, and pleasant except during the first few days of their voyage on the Atlantic, when the sea was rather rough and a good deal of sickness prevailed.

THE SLUGGING CASE.

THE HEARING BEFORE JUDGE SPEIRS—
BURT FINED TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND COSTS.

Quite a number of those curiously inclined gathered in the City Hall this morning, at 10 o'clock, to hear the sequel of the little unpleasantness between Deputy Sheriff Burt and Deputy Marshal Collin, which took place on Main Street yesterday afternoon. At that hour the assaulted and the assailant were both present, the former accompanied by Marshal Ireland, the latter by his counsel, who at once informed Judge Speirs that his client desired to plead guilty, but requested that the witnesses be examined in order that it might be determined whether or not there were extenuating circumstances, and if so, to what extent they tended in the direction of mitigating the punishment. This was allowed, and the examination began.

Henry E. Collin was the first witness for the prosecution. His testimony was that he went into the Fisher beer hall to serve a subpoena; he did so upon John Sproat and J. W. Burbridge, being two or three times interrupted by defendant while serving the latter; went out and was followed by defendant, who accused him of being the author of an article in a morning paper, calling him a spotter; this the witness denied, when Burt, with a terrible oath, called witness a liar, following this up with two or three blows which partially stunned him. On cross-examination his statements were not so clear; he admitted telling the circumstance which forms the basis of the article to half a dozen or more, who might have reported it; denied telling Burt he was a spotter; was not knocked down, but against someone.

J. W. Burbridge did not see the assault, nor hear any of the language used prior to it with sufficient distinctness to swear to it in detail. He arrested Burt and brought him to the City Hall, where he delivered him to officer Pratt.

Allie Barker's testimony was not conflicting or material, apart from what had already been presented.

Officer Pratt testified that he received the defendant from Mr. Burbridge, and had kept him continuously in custody since.

The defendant testified that he was in the door of the beer hall and saw Collin coming, who went inside and served two subpoenas; asked Collin about the article, who said "it came from some of us;" asked if he said defendant was a spotter, and he said "yes, you have been spotting for seven or eight days;" did not use the profane language testified to by Collin. Defendant went out of the saloon first, and as Collin was passing, followed and put his hand on the marshal's shoulder; Collin turned and acted as if he might be intending to draw a weapon, whereupon defendant struck him two or three times, but did not knock him down.

Judge Speirs thereupon gave his decision, which was, that though a man might consider himself injured by a newspaper article, still that did not justify him in taking the law in his own hands. It did not appear that Collin was greatly injured, however, and he imposed a fine of \$25 and costs upon the defendant, which was paid and Burt was discharged.

SHOCKING FATALITY.

AN OLD LADY IN THE TWENTIETH WARD
BURNED TO DEATH.

About 8 o'clock last evening, some boys noticed a blaze in front of a house in the northern part of the 20th Ward, occupied by an old and poor widow woman named Martha Taylor,

which they at first thought to be a bonfire, but on hearing a cry as of some one in distress, they hurried to the spot and found, to their horror, that the old lady had come out of the house with her clothes on fire and fallen unconscious in the doorway. They immediately ran to the nearest neighbor's—Dr. Holland's—and raised the alarm, and that gentleman and his wife returned with them as quickly as possible, extinguished the fire, which was still consuming the old lady's clothing and body, carried her into the house, stripped off the remaining clothes, administered restoratives and applied such outward remedies to her charred body as they thought would ease her pain and possibly save her life, though from the manner in which she was burned the case seemed almost hopeless.

In the meantime the boys ran down to the 11th Ward, where the old lady's son, Jabez W. Taylor, resides, and notified him of what had occurred, and he in turn hastened to the scene of the accident to find his aged parent in the agonies of death, the front of her body from her breast downwards and a portion of the back part and one thigh being burned almost to a crisp. Though everything was done that possibly could be to save her life, all was in vain; he was not even conscious afterwards and about 11:30 p.m.—three and a half hours after the accident occurred—death came to her relief and ended her sufferings.

From all the evidence obtainable it appears that the fire originated through the old lady, who for most of her life has been addicted to the habit of smoking, going to sleep as she sat in a low rocking chair and allowing her pipe to fall from her mouth to her lap, thus igniting her clothing and burning to her flesh before she was aroused from her slumber. The cushions at the back and in the seat of the chair were found ablaze when assistance arrived, but nothing else within the house had ignited. The fire in the stove was low and a candlestick with a lighted candle in it was standing on the stove, as if she had just placed it there for a few moments preparatory to enjoying a final whiff at her pipe and retiring to bed for the night.

From her son we learn that the old lady, though usually strong-minded and active for one of her age, has at times given evidence of being in her dotage by extreme obstinacy, irritability or feebleness of intellect. Though a poor man, he claims to have been willing to provide her a home; and says, in fact, that she has lived occasionally in his family, but would soon become dissatisfied and preferred to live alone. The Relief Society and Bishopric of the Twentieth Ward have for years interested themselves in the old lady's behalf, and assisted in providing her with the necessities of life. No blame can be attached to them for her sad fate; indeed, they are deserving of great credit for what they have done for her; nor would it be right to charge her son with any intentional negligence in allowing her to live alone, for he claims that he did not realize that there was any danger in so doing.

An inquest is to be held this afternoon, at which it is not likely that any facts additional to those here given will be developed.

Deceased was a native of Derbyshire, England, was a widow when she came to this country, and has resided in this city about 19 years. She was aged 82 years and 3 days.



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