

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

Friday the NEWS received by telephone the particulars of a fatal casualty which occurred in the early part of this week at Granger. The infant son of James Fairburn fell in a shallow ditch which contained but a few inches of water, and was drowned. The child was 18 months old.

The following is taken from the *Faloon*, published at Lynchburg, Tenn., the date being Nov 9th:

A large congregation was out to hear the Mormon Elders E. S. Larsen and D. C. Rushton, who held services at the courthouse Sunday afternoon. This, we believe, was the first Mormon services ever held here and curiosity attracted a large crowd.

President George Q. Cannon left for Hutchinson, Kans., Tuesday evening to attend at meeting of the Kansas State Irrigation association at that city on the 23rd inst. Mr. Cannon is announced as one of the speakers of the convention, and the subject allotted him is "Irrigation." Cards received in this city by prominent citizens invite them to be present at a reception to be tendered Mr. Cannon by the Hutchinson Commercial club on Friday night next. Mr. Cannon will join the Trans-Mississippi delegates from Utah at St. Louis.

Encouraged by the success which attended him in the Third district court last week, in his libel suit against the *Salt Lake Tribune*, Attorney Arthur Brown has now lodged another action on similar lines against the same newspaper. It was placed on file Tuesday afternoon, and is founded upon what is claimed to be another libel on Mr. Brown contained in an editorial which appeared in last Sunday's issue. The defendants named are Patrick H. Lannan, the *Tribune* Publishing company, and William Nelson. The plaintiff now asks for \$50,000 damages.

The joint Democratic and Republican precinct campaign committee meeting held in the Utah Commercial and Savings bank Thursday has resulted in the demonstration that politics will be carried into the schools of the city at least so far as the coming election is concerned. At the meeting in question Charles Crane presided, and George Alder acted as secretary. All of the precincts were represented except the Second. In the minds of the gentlemen present it would be impossible to keep partisanship in the back ground, and the meeting adjourned with the express understanding that each party would nominate its candidate and endeavor to elect him.

"Bert" Risley, a lad of fifteen or sixteen years, was the victim of self-inflicted injury of a serious character Monday and as a result he is now moving about with his head swathed in bandages.

He was engaged in chopping wood at the home of his parents at the corner of Almond and Apricot streets. He had taken up a position almost directly under a clothes line, in which he was caught, causing it to rebound with great force, the blunt point striking him in the forehead inflicting

a deep cut from which the blood flowed freely. He was able, however, to walk into the house and Dr. Bowers, the family physician, was summoned. The doctor dressed the wound and put in several stitches to hold it together during the process of healing.

A terrible accident happened on the Rio Grande Western line near the Poor Farm Saturday night. From particulars that can be obtained it appears that Elisha Millard, who lives near the Poor Farm, was in Ogden on Saturday, and when he left to go home was under the influence of liquor. He wandered down the Rio Grande Western track and was run down by the train which leaves Ogden at 7:20 p. m. His body was found early Sunday morning, mangled and cut to pieces. The remains were removed to his residence, which is near the Poor Farm. He leaves a widow.

The deceased was an old resident of Utah. In a early day he lived at Bountiful. He was about 65 years of age.

A Hutchinson, Kansas, dispatch of the 23d inst says: The second annual convention of the State Irrigation association convened here today. George Q. Cannon, one of the presidents of the Mormon Church, Utah, was elected chairman for today's session. Committees were appointed and then short papers were read by practical irrigators from several Western Kansas counties. A large number of state politicians are present because legislation will be asked of the next Kansas legislature. Interest manifested in the movement is satisfactory to the most sanguine of the leaders. At least 1,000 farmers are attending. Exhibitions of machinery are far past expectations, machinery men having a profitable harvest for their pains.

William English, who has been employed for a number of years as warehouseman for Smurthwaite & Gibson, met with a very serious accident at the railroad yard last evening about 4:30 o'clock, which proved fatal, as the unfortunate man died about 11 p. m.

While he was driving the delivery wagon across the tracks, a switch engine, which could not be seen because of some coaches which were on a siding, struck the wagon, and English was thrown upon the front of the engine, to which he clung until the shock of the reverse threw him off, when the wheels passed over both legs below the knees. Both legs were amputated, but death brought his suffering to a close. Wm. English was a most excellent and humble man, kind and courteous, and respected by all who knew him. His unfortunate family have the sympathy of the community.

A communication from Elder H. S. Tanner, president of the California mission, whose address is 118 Tenth Street, San Francisco, states that the Saints' place of meeting has been changed to 927 Mission street. Services were held there the last two Sundays previous to the date of Elder Tanner's letter, which was the 14th inst, and at each meeting there

were more strangers than had attended for months previous. Elder Tanner was recovering from a severe siege of typhoid fever, of which he gives an account. The attending physician despaired of his life, and Elder Tanner ascribes his recovery to the power of God manifested in response to prayer. Elder Tanner says:

"Please give the people another reminder that they should do all they can in helping us to get the Gospel before the people. They can do so by sending us the names and addresses of their relatives, on whom they might desire to have us call."

The flag of distress waves, temporarily at any rate, over the Utah Steam laundry, which building is situated on South West Temple street. On Saturday evening, shortly before eight o'clock an attachment was issued by Judge Merritt at the suit of McCornick & Co. for the sum of \$2,160 odd, and very shortly afterwards placed in the hands of the U. S. Marshal. Deputy Marshal Boman Cannon took possession and men were placed in charge of the premises. Two executions have also been issued against the same firm from Commissioner McNally's court and placed in the Sheriff's hands. These are on judgments tendered in suits brought by O. S. Blakeslee and amounting in the whole to about \$700. The sheriff also claims the right of possession, though the marshal's officer insists that he was first on the ground; but no difficulty is anticipated in this regard, as it is said the laundry property will prove to be more than enough to satisfy all the judgments.

The action taken by the Salt Lake City street railway company Monday is hailed with delight by the residents of Forest Dale, Sugar House ward, East Waterloo and other places in the vicinity of the intersection of the East drive with Twelfth South street. The conclusion to do the work now being prosecuted was reached subsequent to the last issue of the NEWS, and the scheme was put into effect at the earliest moment possible after it was decided upon. Early this morning workmen were engaged in building an extension of the East Waterloo branch of the electric car line from its present terminus along Fourth East street to the junction with Twelfth South street.

The present extension is two blocks in length, and reaches the point where it is expected that the road will turn eastward when further building shall be done. The addition now being made will be of great convenience to people there, many of whom look forward hopefully to an early construction of the line into the little town of Forest Dale, which is rapidly filling up with a thrifty population.

At an adjourned conjoint meeting of the county court and school trustees in the probate courtroom Wednesday afternoon, a legal opinion by County Attorney Murphy was read relative to the question discussed at last week's meeting as to whether the county court had power to convey, by way of donation to Salt Lake city school district, or to that and other school districts in Salt Lake county, to be devoted to the public school purposes of said district or districts, the