

to overflowing at every meeting and large crowds were gathered on the outside. The spirit of the Lord filled our visiting brethren and all listeners and their visit will long be remembered.

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Stake Clerk.

IN THE OLD CAPITAL.

FILLMORE CITY, Utah,
June 15, 1898.

For the past two weeks our city has been unusually lively owing to the session of the Fifth judicial district court being held here, Judge Higgins presiding. The calendar was rather a heavy one, and brought members of the legal fraternity from the north and south. Our native exponents of Blackstone and Coke did their best to entertain them and in some instances succeeded. Among the visitors upon legal business were Judge Milner and Attorney Houtz and S. A. King of Provo, Col. McGinnis of Ogden, A. O. Foster of Beaver, and E. W. Tatlock of Salt Lake City. The latter came primarily to represent A. S. Harmon in a suit wherein Nicholas Paul claimed \$10,000 damages for bodily injury sustained at the hands of the big man. This case was persistently fought on both sides, and the jury after being out all night gave a verdict for the plaintiff in the sum of \$3,500; the rulings of the court and the admissions of the defendant and his witnesses made a verdict for plaintiff necessary, or the thorough impeachment of the prosecuting witness and his admitted disposition to quarrel might have produced a different result.

In the case of the state against George Penney and El. Mortesen, held over from the last term of court, the accused being charged with stealing a calf the property of Ebenezer Tanner, Houz and Tatlock for defense, the indictment was punctured. The calf was given up to Tanner and the young men expressed a determination to go straight in future.

Another grand larceny case was twice tried during this term of court, the first jury disagreeing. John Charlesworth was charged with stealing from a sheep wagon a well filed valve, and a watch and chain. The evidence was, as usual, of a very conflicting nature, and the jury after being out for eleven hours, acquitted Charlesworth.

Last Tuesday evening a lawn party was given at the Robinson house in honor of Judge Higgins, his wife and little daughter, who were also present. Music, songs, recitations and speeches were indulged in for two hours by the general public, who are coming to look upon Judge Higgins and his quiet clerk as a part of our own progressive machinery. The judge certainly impresses the court habitues with a desire to hold the balance level. One of his latest acts here was to sever the chain which bound "Dug" Tomlinson and his wife in unpleasant wedlock, permitting each to seek more congenial companionship.

To add to the excitement in town caused by the advent of many visitors, it was given out that Greenway's store case had been robbed of \$142, and soon Will Aldrich, Frank Merrill and J. Tod Ashman were arrested. Ashman,

was said to have given the plot away but a prolonged investigation before Justice J. S. Gilles, which proved a painful revelation to many, was not sufficient to hold them. Greenway's business has since been turned over to Mr. Almon Robison.

James M. Paxton of Kanosh and Jesse Tipe of Fillmore have located a claim of what they call "common asbestos." It is found in Millard county. Its value and usefulness are unknown to them. Your correspondent looked at a large block of this peculiar looking rock and thinks it would have a commercial value for ornamental purposes similar to onyx or marble. It is grey in color, of a feathery transparent formation, and when polished ought to make a beautiful appearance.

Three of Fillmore's octogenarians are quite sick, namely, Patriarch Hiram Mace, Mrs. McBride, and Mrs. Davis.

A. BIRD.

UTAH WEATHER AND CROPS.

The weather during the week ending Monday, June 15th was warm and dry in all sections, with scant precipitation and an abundance of sunshine. Severe frosts occurred during the forepart of the week doing considerable damage to the vegetable crops of Summit and Cache counties. In other counties the frosts were comparatively light and did but little or no damage to vegetation. The majority of correspondents state that the principal crops are advancing rapidly and were never in better condition at this time of the year. Early grain is heading out under the influence of the warm, dry weather, and the first cutting of lucern will be general during the coming week. The streams are falling fast and the water supply for irrigating is becoming scarce in many districts.

Solito—Frost on 10th, killing many vines, beans, etc. Hot and dry, but everything growing splendidly.

Holden—Fine growing weather for all kinds of crops. A good shower will be very acceptable. Grain in general is fair; lucern ready to cut in town lots; good crop of apples if the worms can be kept away, but we have no tree inspector for our town.

Meadow—Weather very hot during week; cereals and lucern look quite promising for average crop; apples, pears and plums almost a failure; blackberries, raspberries promise a good supply; water holding out very well at present.

Lehi—The past week, on the whole, fine and hot; everything growing; cutting lucern commenced; crop good.

Center—The change is very good; we are having very hot weather which is good for crops; very little wind.

Huntsville—Frost on morning of 11th, doing some damage to tender plants. Grain looking well except in low places where it has been damaged by high water.

Joseph—Warm week; crops look well; water getting scarce; potatoes up.

Santaquin—Fine weather with plenty of sunshine. Spring wheat extra fine; corn and potatoes doing well; lucern blooming and looking splendid; good prospects for abundant crops of grain next fall.

Daweyville—The weather has been warm the past week, especially the

12th and 13th. Crops are doing well; lucern cutting has commenced.

Brigham City—Continuous fine growing weather; hot days and cool nights; strawberry picking commenced.

Monroe—Not a drop of rain this week. Weather good for crops; water still holding out well.

Rockport—Warm with frosty nights; quite heavy frost 10th and 11th; crops looking well.

Peoa—Killing frost morning of 11th; lucern was hurt and all tender plants cut to the ground. Grain looks well; first crop of lucern will be late; timothy and wild hay doing fine; potatoes out to the ground.

Kanab—Fine growing weather. Lucern in bloom, cutting commenced; grain and corn looking fairly well.

Grouse Creek—All crops doing well; lucern twenty inches high, ranges excellent; water supply good.

Layton—Lucern is being cut; grain looking well; irrigation water is rapidly decreasing.

Snowville—Irrigation in full blast; everything doing fine; farmers jubilant over their prospects.

Coalville—A frost on the 12th which nipped lucern and cabbage plants; not much damage.

Pleasant Grove—Everything growing fast; lucern about ready to cut; grain is headed out and strawberries ripening fast; prospects fair for apples and peaches and a few apricots.

Spring City—The past week was hot; a sprinkling of rain on 13th; some frost Wednesday and Thursday nights. All crops doing well; potatoes coming up.

Richfield—Very hot and dry; rain needed badly; grain and vegetables looking well; lucerne about ready to cut; fair amount of water for irrigation but streams are falling.

Cabe Junction—A warm week; everything growing fine; frost night of 10th and 11th, froze potatoes and other tender plants.

Randolph—Crops are growing rapidly; weather warm; water plentiful; lucern about one foot high; wild hay is better than common; irrigating just commencing.

Lewiston—Warm week; crops growing fine; farmers watering crops; hard frost night of 11th, nipped squash and other tender vegetation; lucern on dry ground badly frosted.

Harrisville—Good week for growth and farm work. Early grain heading out, tender plants nipped by frost on 11th; no serious injury.

Tooele—Summer weather, and all that could be desired. Farms never looked better; corn and potatoes coming up; corn especially showing well.

Payson—Grain and lucern heavy crop; strawberries very scarce; peaches, apricots, plums, nearly all killed.

Heber—Another ideal week of growing weather—one continuous sunshine. Had a little frost on the 11th. Many smudges were made in Heber and saved the fruit; mercury raised four degrees after smudges were started at 3 a.m. No damage, only nipped a few leaves of beans and potatoes; all vegetation is fairly booming; lucern will be soon ready to cut.

Lake Shore—Sugar beets looking all, not very thick in the rows; grain crop growing nicely; lucern blossoming out; water getting scarce; corn and potatoes showing through