

LOCAL AND OTHER MATTERS.

LOGAN, Utah, Jan. 4.—Bells are ringing, whistles blowing, public and private buildings are gaily decorated and a general illumination will occur tonight, in honor of Statehood.

Jacob Engler, who conducts a clothing store in Eureka and this city, has filed a deed of assignment in the office of the county recorder. Herman Bamberger is named as the assignee.

MANARD, Cherokee Nation, I. T., Jan. 2.—G. L. Garland, of Chelsea, Cherokee Nation, Indian Territory, would be pleased to hear from the Elders who visited him at his home in Georgia, while on missions in that state.

The prize fight advertised to take place Jan. 1st between Jim Williams, Utah's champion, and Lewis, his would-be vanquisher, did not come off. Chief Pratt issued orders for the arrest of the combatants in case they attempted to "pull off the mill," and therefore an indefinite postponement of hostilities followed.

PROVO, Utah, Jan. 2, 1896.—Last evening, at the residence of his son-in-law, Captain Canman, J. T. Rowland (Nathan Dru, of Leyell) died from general debility. He was born at Leyell, Wales, December 7, 1816. For many years he was a resident of Mill Creek, Salt Lake county, but for the past two and a half years he lived with his son-in-law at Provo. He was extensively known among the Welsh people as a poetic writer.

BEAVER, Utah, Jan. 2.—John Tassell, the respected patriarch, aged 81, died here today at the residence of Judge Wm. James Cox Sr. Deceased was born at Bassingbourne, Cambridgeshire, Eng., Jan. 20th, 1815. He worked on one farm in that state for over forty years. His first wife, Kitty Ann Tassell came to Utah in the Willie Hancock company in 1856, with her father and mother, both of whom perished on the way. He came to Utah in 1888 and was respected by all that knew him.

The Forest Dale Sunday school ushered in the year '96 Wednesday by giving a pleasant entertainment for the "little ones" in the afternoon, while the teachers and their friends enjoyed themselves in the old time way in the evening. The Old Farm House was tastefully festooned with evergreens and flowers. The "New Star" having a prominent place among the decorations. One of the features of the day's festival was the veteran William C. Dunbar "with his pipe," who pleased both old and young with his born and tongue. The day will be long remembered by the good people of the "Dale."

MINERSVILLE, Utah, via Beaver, Jan. 2.—Mrs. Jerome Seabrisle, one of the most esteemed citizens of this place, died here yesterday. She was about 62 years of age; the mother of twelve children and has resided here about thirty-five years, a devoted and faithful Latter-day Saint. Her son George, about 15 years old, who has been suffering from periodical attacks

of epilepsy for several years, on bearing the death of his mother, instantly attempted to commit suicide by stabbing himself over his heart with a sharp pointed knife. Although not necessarily fatal, the inflicted wound is of a serious nature.

The State Agricultural society held a special meeting in the probate court room in the joint city and county building at 10:30 Thursday. The opening address was delivered by President A. A. Mills, professor of agriculture at the Agricultural College at Logan.

Discusloo was next indulged in by Vice President Heber Benulon, of Taylorsville, and N. Jensen of Mill Creek, Salt Lake county.

Secretary Phillip A. Dix then discussed "the principles and law applicable to agriculture and what to avoid" followed by several others from outside points. The society meet, again this afternoon.

WOODRUFF, Rich Co., Utah—One of the heaviest storms known in years passed through our valley on New Year's Day. The storm was in a direct line from the Great Salt Lake. The high wind that swept down through the mountain gorges, piled the snow in huge drifts, there to remain until it will network the valley in the glad summer days. When the storm was over there was found a coating of salt on brush and trees.

The health of the people is good. Holiday festivities passed pleasantly away—the hearts of old and young alike filled with gratitude for the blessings received through the past year.

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Elder John R. Smith returned from California on January 1st, 1896, where he has been laboring as a missionary since last January. On his arrival in San Francisco he labored under the direction of Elder Tanner, president of the mission, only one other missionary being there at that time—Elder Joseph R. Shepherd. The three Elders at once began a house to house visit and an improvement was soon visible in the number attending their meetings. Among those attending are quite a few members of the Josephite church. The last meeting of the Latter-day Saints that Elder Smith attended in San Francisco was crowded with attentive listeners.

Elder Smith has enjoyed his labors and returns home in good health.

Among the capable officers whose terms were brought to a close with the beginning of 1896, may be mentioned the name of Prof. D. R. Allen, who for two terms presided over the educational interests of Salt Lake county. Prof. Allen is a Utah boy, and by diligence and faithful attention to duty has made a most enviable record as an educator, and few officials in the new State have made more substantial friends. Always dignified, genial and honorable, and with a desire to promote the cause of education in Utah's center of population, he has advanced the public school system, and leaves the schools in splendid condition. His successor, Superintendent

Van Cott, is well informed upon the needs and status of the county's educational system, and it is firmly believed that he will make a capable and efficient officer.

A TEACHER.

CHICAGO, Jan. 3, 1896.

Having been appointed to labor as a missionary of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the city of Chicago, I take this opportunity of telling the Saints in Utah who may have relatives or friends living here, that if they will send me the names and addresses of their friends I will take great pleasure in calling upon them, thus giving me an introduction to people who could not perhaps be reached in any other way, and perhaps be the means of bringing precious souls to accept the Gospel of Christ, which certainly the Saints at home should be much interested in.

Your valuable paper comes regularly to hand and is perused with great pleasure and profit.

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A hold-up wrought by means of a gun play, was perpetrated Thursday morning at 5 o'clock upon a gentleman, who, with others, is en route from Hastings, Neb., to Ontario, Cal. It occurred on South Temple street, near the Jennings property, and resulted in the man, who refused to divulge his name, being relieved of a \$20 gold piece and other coins of smaller denominations. The case was quickly reported to the police and in a very short time thereafter, Joe Sullivan alias Collinston, was in limbo with the charge of highway robbery opposite his name. The man assaulted stated positively that Jennings was his assailant, and regretted very much that he could not stop until tomorrow to testify against him, his ticket forcing him to leave town tonight. The officers feel that they have a case against Sullivan and it is likely that the gentleman's deposition may be taken before he leaves town.

Yost, Box Elder Co., Utah,
Dec. 26, 1895.

We have had two weeks of very severe weather—cold, biting winds from every point of the compass. Farmers are now feeding range cattle.

The health of the people is good. No cases of sickness—only a few with colds—nothing serious.

A grand Christmas tree was the event of Christmas eve. Songs, dialogue, recitations and select readings were very ably rendered. Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus then gave out the presents, and the little ones were served with lunch. The children danced to their hearts' content for over two hours, then home to dream of good Santa Claus and what would be in the stockings when they should be awake at peep of day.

Christmas day Mr. John Bemlin and Miss Sadie Yates, of this place, were married. (Close to the number of fifty sat down to a very pleasant and enjoyable dinner at the home of Mr. Yates and went thence to the meeting house to enjoy a tree dance. The parents of the newly married couple give a free supper. About the most amusing feature of the evening was a step dance by the old men, led by Mr. Howell. A good time was enjoyed by every one.