

ing in the Wesleyan chapel the next day, at which we made many more friends. We visited the postmaster, made a friend of him; also visited several of the city and county officials, marshal, sheriff, school board directors, business men, ministers and editors, subscribed for the two weekly newspapers, which gave very kind notices, and informed us that any notices we may want would be published free of charge. And so it has been; every day we make more friends.

From all we can learn we are the first Mormon Elders that have labored in this part of the state for twenty five years. We have secured permission from the school board of Shippin townships to hold meetings at any time and as long as we choose, in any or all of the seventeen schoolhouses under their control. So we have just started out on our campaign; so far have held seven very well attended and successful meetings. The people with whom we have associated are well educated, are usually free from prejudice, and are willing to hear what we have to say. They are very kind and courteous; here I will say that the people of the Southern States had better look to their laurels as regards hospitality, for the people of Pennsylvania are using every endeavor to show their Christianity by their works.

From day to day we meet many honest souls and we believe a great work will be done here in this country.

JOSHUA SELLEY,
JOHN R. CRAWFORD.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Nov. 24.—A disastrous prairie fire swept over the Seminole country this morning near Rochelle. Sixteen persons, it is reported, were burned to death by the raging flames. A Catholic mission was saved by the heroic work of Sisters Freda and Kirk. These two sisters fought the flames for two hours with blankets and saved the lives of twenty Indian pupils. The fire was started by outlaws who were fleeing from a posse of deputy marshals.

Most of the people burned were half-bred Indians.

TACOMA, Wash., Nov. 24.—The Ledger received news today that Mrs. Swearner, the wife of a raider living in the northeastern section of Lewis county, cut the throats of her three little girls, aged respectively 5 years, 3 years and 9 months. Mrs. Swearner then used the knife on herself, inflicting a serious but not necessarily fatal wound. The 3-year-old child died almost instantly, the jugular vein having been severed, and the older one is not expected to live.

Mr. Swearner was at work a short distance from the house, which he had left only a few minutes before, and when he returned the mother and the three children were found lying on the floor, bathed in their own and each other's blood. The awful deed had been accomplished by the aid of a common butcher knife, the blade being driven into the throats of the victims. Mrs. Swearner has been in ill health for some time, and she is believed to be insane.

RED BLUFF, California, Nov. 25.—The grand jury of this county states in its report that the district attorney

had submitted to it in the testimony taken at the preliminary examination in the case of the people vs. Joe Sousa, the eleven year old boy charged with the murder of his stepfather, A. C. Nunes.

The district attorney had asked the advice of the grand jury as to what further action he should take in the case and the grand jury after a full examination of the circumstances connected with the affair, and considering the tender age of the defendant, did not believe that a jury would convict. The grand jury recommended that the district attorney take steps toward dismissing the case.

Nunes was killed by young Sousa at Battle Creek, in this county, October 26, while in the act of beating his wife, Sousa's mother, with a stick of wood, and the boy claimed that he killed Nunes to save his mother's life.

FAIRHAVEN, Mass., Nov. 25.—A large number of interesting relics of the unfortunate Jeanette expedition to the North Pole in 1881, have recently been discovered among the effects of the late William Bradford, the well known painter of Arctic scenes. Mr. Bradford was a personal friend of Lieutenant Commander DeLong, and collected the relics while on an expedition to the scene of the death of the De Long party in the Lena Delta. None of Mr. Bradford's family knew that the relics were in the house until they were found packed away in an old box. Among the articles is De Long's Bible given him in 1879, by the California Bible society.

BERLIN, Nov. 25.—A special from Berlin says Dr. Carl Peters, the German explorer, has written a pamphlet with a view of proving that the recent election in the United States was largely influenced by English subsidies.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.—Official notice is given by the Honduran government through the universal postal union that by virtue of a compact between the Central American Union signed by the governments of Nicaragua, Salvador and Honduras. Each of those three republics has constituted itself a state. These states, it is stated, from one republic under the name of the "Greater Republic of Central America." The Honduran director of general posts says it is expected the republics of Costa Rica and Guatemala will join the union.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 25.—News from Manila, brought by the steamer City of Pekin yesterday from Hong Kong, shows that the Spaniards have resorted to torture of the natives and half-castes of the Philippines which surpasses in cruelty that practiced by the Chinese mandarins in cases of the most atrocious crimes. They are also charged with confiscating the estates of wealthy half-castes and deporting these wretched victims to Fernando Po, on the west coast of Africa, a place which has a climate that quickly proves fatal to the stranger.

These statements are not given on the strength of reports of refugees. James W. Davidson, a well known correspondent, was recently commissioned by the Hong Kong Press to go to Manila and cautioned to evade the press censorship and in several letters which he smuggled through

the lines he tells of what he has seen and what he has heard on good authority. According to him the instruments of torture used in the Spanish Inquisition three centuries ago have been kept in the monasteries of Manila and were brought out recently and used to extort confessions from natives and mestizo suspects. He says over 3,000 suspects have been arrested and kept in jail in Manila, many succumbing to the foul air and the hideous treatment to which they have been subjected. Mr. Davidson also intimates that the leading powers of Christendom will be called upon to interfere and put an end to these tortures which revolve the worst features of the Spanish inquisition.

CHICAGO, Nov. 26.—Annie B. Clark died of a broken heart, actually and physically a broken heart. She died suddenly in Chicago a week ago Monday, and her remains were taken to her Cleveland home for interment. From that city comes the information that a physician examining the body asked if Miss Clark had recently suffered any sudden and great sorrow or a shock. He was told that she had been informed that total blindness was near and inevitable. The physician said that there was a heart lesion, and that one of the few authentic recorded deaths from a heart broken by sorrow was hers.

There is not a lawyer's office in Chicago where Anna B. Clark was not known. She was almost a weekly visitor in the lawyers' offices in the big buildings, coming and going so quietly that her presence was barely felt. For many years this busy little woman had an office in the Methodist church block. She sold law stationery, not peddling it, but taking orders for it from people who for years had never known any other means of securing their supplies.

Two weeks ago Miss Clark went the daily round of her duties and then, owing to some slight trouble, as she supposed, with her eyesight, she visited an oculist. He told her that the loss of her eyesight might be the question of but a few hours. This was Saturday. Sunday afternoon Miss Clark returned to her residence from a walk. She entered the door and some one spoke to her. She turned and said: "I hear your voice but I cannot see you."

Her own voice was a bit broken as she spoke, but the significance of what she said was felt by those about her. The next morning she was dead.

ATHENS, Nov. 27.—An immense amount of damage has been caused by the terrible storms and floods which inundated the low lying quarters of this city and Piræus, drowning a number of people, flooding the gas works of the latter place, plunging the port in complete darkness last night. Many houses have been destroyed and the tents sheltering the Armenian refugees are swept away. Great distress prevails.

NEW YORK, Nov. 26.—Walter L. Roue, a sixteen-year-old boy who resided with his parents in Brooklyn, was killed in a game of football at the Parade grounds this afternoon. He was a member of the Brooklyn boys' high school team and the Seneca football team. The Senecas played with the team of the manual training