

SALT LAKE SEES SIGNS OF SPRING.

Many Are the Indications and All Have Their Firm Believers.

SEVERAL CERTAIN SORTS.

Latter Half of April May See Showers Which Failed to Come During Earlier Portion.

Spring is here. There are signs of spring's arrival to be seen everywhere in Salt Lake. Some of the things to be seen on the streets and about town, which prove beyond a doubt that this city has taken "Doc" Hyatt's word for it that spring is really here...

While the first half of this month has gone without the usual "April" showers it is believed the last half will see considerable precipitation as rains are being reported from widely scattered districts.

The week opened with cloudy and cool weather. The temperature moderated rapidly, and the closing days of the week were considerably warmer than the seasonal averages.

In honor a trifle more pathetic than usual, from the fact that the subject is so intimately associated with his own livelihood, he sketches the rising tide of anti-liquor sentiment throughout the southland.

Continuing his reference to drink as his royal highness King Alcohol, he pictures the poor fellows who at night "are wild and wily" that makes them think they're better than they ever thought they were.

Getting down to the more serious possibilities of the temperance wave, Mr. Dooley, addressing Hinnessy, says: "THE OMINOUS SIZE OF THE WAVE."

"An 'I tell ye somethin', Hinnessy—it 'n't gon' to be very long before this here wave o' Prohibition comes up here an' deluges ye an' me. Any day ye may look to see boots an' shoes in the gutter."

"I was cut out to nature to sell people things that they first took because they made them feel superior to other people an' that later became a necessity to them."

HOW POLITICIANS NOW SLIGHT THE SALOON. Hinnessy, interjecting an exclamation of incredulity at this point, gives Mr. Dooley the text for another item in the chronicle of the saloon's impending doom.

PEOPLE GETTING PARTICULAR.

about shoe polish. Quality in shoe polish realized to be an important matter. Acid polishes not wanted. Any old thing won't do with people who know. Quick Shine Shoe Polish is guaranteed to preserve the polish and not rub off on the clothing.

W. C. T. U. WORKING SOUTH.

A temperance meeting will be held at Provo this evening by Mrs. E. E. Shepard, president of the local W. C. T. U., the itinerary for a tour of the southern part of the state commencing in that city.

BARBER DISCHARGED.

Phineas E. Gillette, the barber arrested some time ago on the charge of permitting his shop to be in an unsanitary condition, was discharged this morning on motion of the defense, the prosecution having failed to make a case against the defendant.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Last night Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Hanchett entertained at a card party at their home, the amusement being 500. The rooms were decorated in pink carnations and ferns and about 24 guests were present.

Mrs. R. K. Brown entertained informally at luncheon yesterday for Mrs. Robert Fowler of New York, president of the New York branch of the Y. W. C. A.

Miss Rehan Spencer celebrated her birthday anniversary yesterday in an informal dinner to which about a half dozen friends were invited. The rooms were being bright with roses, carnations and sweet peas, the gifts of friends.

Miss Margaret Needham will entertain the O. S. F. club tomorrow at her home.

Miss Jean Spencer will go to Logan tomorrow to spend a week with Miss Dora Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Keyes entertained at dinner yesterday and afterward took their party to the Orpheum.

Tonight Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dole will entertain in honor of Mrs. Robert Fowler of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dorn and Mrs. W. H. Cunningham will leave about the first of May for Holland where they expect to spend the summer.

Lieut. and Mrs. Paul C. Potter entertained at dinner yesterday for their guests, Mrs. Parrish and Mrs. Slez, and afterward the party attended the Orpheum.

Miss Dagmar Orlob will entertain on Saturday in honor of Mrs. Harold Orlob.

Mrs. Fred A. Hale has issued invitations for a military euchre party next Wednesday at her home.

Today is the anniversary of the Battle of Lexington, and the Daughters of the Revolution meet this afternoon in

GOV. JOHN C. CULER ON INVESTMENT'S

Chief Executive Takes Umbrage at the Unauthorized Use of His Name in Connection With Mining and Mexican Land Schemes.

Editor Deseret News: A few weeks ago I received a letter from a prominent gentleman in one of the northern cities of the state, informing me that an agent soliciting for the sale of stock in a mine had stated that I was interested in it, and had used that statement as an inducement for him to purchase some of the stock.

In answer to the first inquiry I said that I was not an owner of stock in the enterprise. Further, that I was sure that the mine was at the present time only a prospect. It had evidently been capitalized for a million shares, the stock was being sold for 30 cents a share.

My answer to the second inquiry was given in these words: "Certain agents have declared that I am interested in a certain tropical fruit company's land in Mexico. In reply to your question I beg to state that I am not interested in this company's land, and I would advise you that anyone who buys land in Mexico on the guaranty of any party

to plant fruit trees on the land, which will be turned over to the purchaser when they produce, enters into a hazardous, long-winded proposition. And it is likely that the man who has bought will sell out before anything is realized from the investment."

In view of the fact that it is evident that agents who are inducing people to invest in their various propositions make it a practice to quote the governor as having taken stock in this or that enterprise, using the statement as an argument for the purchase of the stock, I will say this: Sometimes the statement is true; sometimes not. But whether or not the governor has taken stock in an enterprise, each one appearing by an agent selling that stock should investigate the matter closely and carefully, and decide whether or not he would do well to purchase it.

As to Mexican land propositions and similar ones, I might say that there appears to me an element of unfairness in the fact that great tracts of land are being purchased at a very low rate and immediately sold at an advance of several thousand per cent, the ground for the advance being the supposed purchase of the land by the investor.

And yet the purchaser is not sure, perhaps for the reason that he cannot investigate personally, whether or not the land can be cleared, the trees planted and taken care of, and the fruit harvested and marketed at a cost low enough to realize a profit. He has for it, in brief, he buys blindly; the size of the promised profits being usually in direct ratio to the distance of the land from his own home.

average man cannot afford to go to Mexico to investigate the location and nature of the land, to find out whether or not it is adapted to the purposes proposed, and near a railroad, or at least a good wagon road, so that perishable fruit grown upon it can be easily taken to market, and whether or not there is a market. In fact, the very similarity of an investment has to know by second hand, and on the word of a person who is vitally interested in the sale of the proposition. The advantage is all on the side of the person selling the land.

Buying land away from home at a reasonable price, in the hope of a reasonable increase of value through regular processes, is a different proposition. This may be done without great hazard, if the purchaser is sure that the land is at present worth the price paid, and is likely to become more valuable with the development of the country and its resources.

It may not be out of place to lay down as a fundamental principle of investment the rule that all other things being equal, money should be invested at home rather than abroad. The two reasons for this are, first, that such investments can be made with accurate knowledge of conditions, gained by personal investigation; second, that the money so invested is used to build up one's own community. Regarding orchards, for example, I think I can safely say that there are thousands of acres of land at the foot of our mountains and the mouth of our canyons where the ground can be cleared, planted, watered, and splendid profits secured, without the risk and the lack of personal supervision attending similar investments in Mexico or other foreign countries.

And at any rate, I think that if investors make a home in farms and orchards are not successful, there are many more chances of failure when they are made at long distances.

JOHN C. CULER.

MR. DOOLEY ON THE SALOON'S PASSING.

Mr. Dooley, looking philosophically out of his famous barroom window in Arceley road, tells the readers of the American Magazine for April some of his current musings on the prospective passing of his long established business.

"I'll tell ye a secret iv th' thrade, I'd rather have th' Father Mathew society behind me th'n th' entire saloon vote."

"WHAT DRINK DOES FOR A MAN." Then, breaking through his professional attitude, Mr. Dooley says, in better sentiments of his heart in these discerning words:

"I wudden't mind if Prohibition did break through. In his heart th' thrader ever his throuble is a sinner's. Better th'n anny wan else he knows that what's his meat is everybody else's pizen."

"Havin' long associated with th' drinkin' classes, I think less iv thim more an' more ivry day. Th' drink makes thim too fond iv thimself. As me frin' a drooney, th' printer, says, 'th' drink knock's dot off th'ir little 'n' they think they're upper case.' A man comes in here whin 'im about ready to pull down th' blinds, leans on th' counter an' says, 'My Bonnie Lies Over th' Ocean,' th'n says 'What's that?' whin I suggest that he go home an' fin'ly ends up weepin' on th' level as I say, 'Whin's th' matter with him? He's thinkin' about himself too much. I know that his voice sounds like suds escapin' in th' kitchen sink, an' I can kick him in a mule with an ice pick, an' I an laughin' meself sick over his family troubles, but he doesn't think so. Divvy th' bit. He's got himself painted like a mule, an' he's a mule, Jeffrey an' th' two orphans an' anybody that don't believe his right is lookin' fr trouble."

"Faith, if anny Prohibitionist thinks 'tis pleasant to see a man in a state of peace iv rum he's welcome to th' job palace iv rum he's welcome to th' job. If I was an insanity expert instead iv bein' on th' level as I say, I'd commit half me patients to an asylum."

"But can ye ever enforce Prohibition?" asked Mr. Hinnessy. "Well," said Mr. Dooley, "Father Kelly says th' best they've done so far is to make drink wrong to take, hard to get an' tur'ble bad whin ye get it."

Mr. Dunne's article is most originally illustrated by Cartoonist John T. McCutcheon.

commemoration of the historic event, the vote call to be answered with sentiments in relation to the day, and papers to be given by Mrs. E. B. Wells and Mrs. T. G. Webber.

Mrs. Richard E. Stingley who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Lena K. Bemis, for the last three months, left on Monday with Mr. Stingley for an extended stay in Nevada.

The annual meeting and biennial election of officers of the General Society of the Daughters of the Revolution will be held in New York during the week of April 27, with headquarters at the Waldorf-Astoria. Ten new members will be elected to the board of managers.

The program for the week will include a reception at the new Plaza, given by the New York Society D. R., a theater party, a banquet at the Waldorf, and excursions to points of local and historic interest.

An especially pleasant and interesting convention is expected and a full attendance is desired.

WARD ENTERTAINMENTS.

Sugar House—On Friday evening, April 17, at the Sugar ward meeting-house, Twelfth South and Twelfth East streets, there will be a mission and well tendered Elder Stayner Richards, who leaves Saturday, April 18, for Great Britain. An excellent program has been arranged and a cordial invitation is extended to all.

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"There's a Reason."

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GUARDSMEN READY FOR INSPECTION

State Troops in Better Shape Than They Were Last Year.

RICHFIELD STANDS FIRST.

New Organization Heads List of General Averages With Signal Corps and Band Coming Next.

Richfield's new company of infantry stands at the head of the list in a report issued this morning by Adjutant E. A. Wedgwood of the National Guard of Utah. The report covers in a table of general averages the standing of each organization in the national guard for the last month. The strength of the national guard as shown by this report is 25 officers and 337 enlisted men. The standing of each organization expressed in a figure of percentage is as follows: Company E, 78.38; Signal Corps, 77.75; band, 76.13; First battery, 76.08; company F, 75.72; company H, 75.27; company B, 74.66; company D, 73.23; company A, 72; company C, 70.

It will be seen that the three first organizations rated above are the new Richfield company, the Signal Corps and band. All the above organizations are stationed in Salt Lake City with the exceptions of companies E, Richfield; F, Maunt; B, Ogden; D, Mt. Pleasant, and A, Nephi.

ANNUAL INSPECTION.

The annual inspection of the state troops by an officer detailed from the regular army is now in progress at Bertha, the inspecting officer, is now looking over the men and their equipment to the effect that the condition of the equipment and standing of the men are better than last year. New vim and enthusiasm appear to have been ejected in the entire regiment and the organizations. Marked improvement is seen in all lines, according to an officer of the state troops who appears more than hopeful of the results of this year's inspection.

"The National Guard showed up quite well last year," he said, "and there is no reason why the state should not pass muster with colors flying this year. The Dick bill, under the provisions of which the inspection is being carried on, provides for an annual appropriation of \$1,000,000 to be apportioned among the various states for the maintenance of their citizen soldiery according to the strength shown at the annual inspections provided for. Each state, to be able to participate in this appropriation, must show at least 100 men for each representative in Congress. Utah having one in the house of representatives and two in the senate, must show three hundred men."

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"The First battery, which has been recently reorganized, will be able to show its equipment in first class shape. The signal corps will also be able to make a good showing. The infantry companies are well up in their work and their equipment is in first class shape. The hospital corps and band will not be behind their other military brothers. This is especially true with the band, which has of late enlisted several good musicians and which is holding weekly practices under the

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Mr. Flowers Reading—Montaville Flowers, termed the "Master of Inter-tribal peace at home," at the Congregational church Friday night, is assured a turnout that will be a gratification to him and that will indubitably literature. This is the eighth number in the University of Utah lecture course and promises to be one of the best, if not the best number of the course.

BURGULARS ACTIVE.

George L. Davis, residing at 1542 Commercial street, reported to the police this morning that his room was entered last night by thieves and that a silver watch and a revolver were stolen.

A private safe may be rented in the fire and burglar-proof vaults of the Salt Lake Security & Trust co., 32-34 Main street, \$3.50 per year.

WESTERN MARKET LETTER.

Special Correspondence. Kansas City Stock Yards, April 13.

Cattle receipts were moderate last week, but prices closed 5 to 15c lower for the week, account of a sharp falling off in the demand from consuming centers. Recent advances in the retail price of meat is being resented by the public generally, and packers find that the high priced stuff moves slowly.

Run today is 7,000 head, and the situation is some better than last week. Steers selling steady, and the stuff strong to 10c higher. Country demand has been good, and prices are 10 to 15c higher than a week ago. Today's supply includes a good variety from the range country. Lockhart steers selling at \$4.40, hay-fed steers from Placerville at \$5.30 to \$6.10, hay fed Oregon steers at \$6.15 and fair to good Oklahoma steers at \$6.25, top natives \$6.80. Heifers bring \$4.25 to \$4.50, \$2.50 to \$3.25, bulls \$3.75 to \$5.00, veals a quarter higher than a week ago, tops \$6, stockers \$3.75 to \$5.50, feeders \$4.75 to \$5.75.

Declines followed each other regularly last week in the sheep trade, and the close was 40 to 60 cents under the best time 10 days ago. Run is 11,000 head today, but the market is holding steady, demand showing some improvement over last week, and trade fairly active. Colorado lambs sold today at \$7.20 to \$7.50, Colorado spring lambs \$8 to \$9.25, clipped wethers, \$6, medium \$5, choice \$5.50. Texas muttons at worth \$5.25 to \$6, though choice muttons brought \$6.50 first of last week. Low grade Texas goats brought \$4.10 today, choice goats, \$5.05, ewes \$3.50 to \$4.00. About 200,000 sheep and lambs are being advised to ship sparingly till these are worked off in some degree.

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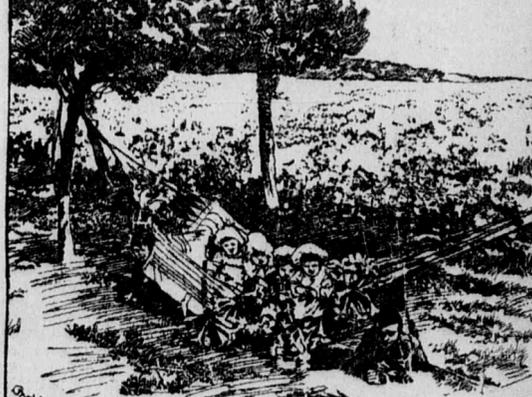
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leadership of the bandmaster of the Fifteenth infantry band. NOTICEABLE IMPROVEMENT. In two organizations a noticeable improvement over the standing of last year will be shown. These are the First battery and the Signal corps. Under the direction of Captain W. C. Webb, the battery is forging steadily to the front. The condition of its equipment would do credit to any regular battery. A plan is also under way to provide the battery with its own mounts and to hold mounted drills twice each week, a thing which has never been attempted before. In the Signal corps the men have taken up signaling as they never have before. For the first time the use of the telephone and telegraph are being made features of the work in this organization.

SCENE ON A BERMDA LILY FARM.



The cut shows one of the great fields of Lilium harrisi, known as the Easter Lily, which are to be found in the Bermuda Islands. The little folks in the lily decorated hamper are the children of American visitors, but those peeping around the corners are native Bermudians.

Keith O'Brien Co. Suits For Easter 2 Days Special Friday and Saturday. A large assortment of the prevailing Spring styles—Fifth avenue walking suits and semi-fitted Prince Chap, Butterfly and the smart fitted hip length jackets. 1908 shades in the latest materials and novelty weaves. Values up to \$32.50 for \$19.75. Values up to \$39.50 for \$25.00. Values up to \$45.00 for \$35.00. Coats. Cream serge jackets in the Popular Box styles—a feature at \$10.50. A most attractive assortment of full length coats in linen, repp, pongee, Tussah and Rajah, ranging in prices from \$7.50 to \$35.00. Splendid line of Covert Jackets, fitted or box styles, from \$9.50 and upward. Handsome Skirts. New models in cream serge skirts—the swagger gored styles with self-covered or gilt button trimmings—from \$9.75 to \$22.50. Altman voile skirts, full kilt pleated style, with silk fold trimmings. Special \$9.75

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