

SALT LAKE FOND OF DIAMONDS

City's Jewel Bill Is High This Season.

OUTSIDE TRADE IS HEAVY NECKLACE FOR \$6,000, RINGS FOR LITTLE LESS.

When Salt Lake comes to figure up her Christmas and holiday bill for 1904, she will find that diamonds and other precious stones represent not small amount of the total expenditures. This fact may be better appreciated when it is known that the diamond business of the largest jewelry house in town, which may be taken as a standard, has been better during the sixty days ending with the second week in this month than for any like period before. The public is cordially invited to attend the services.

Every day small fortunes go across the counters of one or another of the leading houses—this representing the purchase price of a diamond ring, a watch, or a necklace of gems. This city is one of the standing reputations, according to a local diamond merchant, of the statement that "the best business in retailing diamonds is done in cities where there is the largest sporting population."

Salt Lake's population is much more free from the sporting element than any other city of its size in the west. On the coast, fistic and turf admirers are to be found in plenty. No one will accuse this city of being the cynosure of sporting men's eyes.

Salt Lake Good Diamond Town.
But far from being a poor diamond retailing city, Salt Lake is the purchasing point not only for a large home population, but for several adjacent states. Indeed, the largest purchases are not infrequently made by outsiders or tourists.

According to the jeweler before mentioned, there is scarcely a young man, or old one either, residing in this state but that is able to buy a diamond for his promised one as soon as he is given the opportunity. These men represent, in the main, thrifty residents. If they are satisfied, their future trade is assured.

Sporting men, on the other hand, often are ready to sell back one week what they have bought the previous. They are not reliable purchasers. As to sales, probably the most expensive pieces of jewelry sold are necklaces. Not long ago one of these, a beautiful "rope" of diamonds, was purchased by a local woman for \$6,000. Not infrequently ones of from \$1,500 to \$3,000 are made. Rings for which over \$1,000 are paid generally contain several stones, either a pearl or ruby with diamond setting, or several diamonds.

Of course, some are satisfied with "chipped" diamonds, which may be purchased at from \$5 to \$100, according to the quality of the metal in which they are set. If gold predominates and the design is beautiful, "chipped" diamond rings, crescents and other jewels can be sold at higher prices than if they were made of eight or twelve-carat "rolled plate," which means they are mostly brass or copper, or composite material.

There are few solitaires sold for \$1,000 in this city or any other city in the west. The number of persons wearing solitaires upward of \$500 in value constitute, it is safe to say, a large minority of the population. "First water stones," the highest quality, can be had for this sum.

Jewelers find that most men who pay this price for a ring make several such purchases during the year. Thus, there are a number of Salt Lake families whose accounts run up into five figures annually. Of course, this does not mean that precious stones alone are purchased. A few watches at \$100 to \$500 apiece and a chest of plate at a few hundreds more help swell the figure.

In speaking on this subject, the manager of a large jewelry store, which makes a specialty of diamonds, said:

"Salt Lake has an outside business in diamonds and fine jewelry that is immense. In the past few years it has grown to unprecedented proportions. These outside buyers come from every part of the state. Today, for instance, a foreman on a large engineering work does not a great way from this city purchased a watch valued at \$300 and a diamond ring valued at the same figure.

Two other fine rings were bought today, one of which was set to order for a woman temporarily in this city. Each is valued at \$600, one containing a \$200 pearl, surrounded by diamonds, the other a ruby between two large diamonds. It is seldom that solitaires worth more than \$600 are purchased, although, of course, where the ring contains several stones the price will run much higher.

Medicine vs. Diamonds.
"Not long ago a woman who had come to Salt Lake almost in despair of regaining her lost health came to our store and stated that she desired to look at some of our diamonds. She said her health had so greatly improved that she had decided to spend the money which would otherwise have gone for doctors and medicines in getting some jewelry. She concluded by buying a ring valued at several hundred dollars.

"Often miners from other states will come in and select rings for their brides or wives. Men, however, more often spend large sums for timepieces than for rings. We have sold many repeaters to outsiders, valued at from \$400 to \$500."

London is the great distributing station for diamonds. While the majority of the stones are sent in the rough to Amsterdam to be cut, it is from the British metropolis that they are shipped all over the world.

New York's importance as a diamond cutting center is steadily growing. There has been great progress made by Gothamites in the past two years in the art.

An Eminent Distinction.
The superiority of Mellin's Food over all other infants' foods has been recognized by the international jury at the World's Fair, St. Louis, by giving to Mellin's Food the grand prize (higher than the gold medal) the highest award of the Louisiana Purchase exposition. This eminent distinction is justly merited by Mellin's Food which has always been the standard of infant's food excellence.

No other infants' food received so high an award.

GRAND MASQUERADE BALL.
Given by ladies' auxiliary to R. of T. at the Knights of Columbus hall Tuesday evening, the 13th. Tickets \$1.00. Refreshments served.

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Church Announcements

All notices for this column must be handed in by noon Saturday.

Episcopal.
St. Mark's Cathedral, Very Rev. James B. Eddie, dean.—Holy Sunday in Advent, Dec. 11, 7:30 a. m., holy communion, 9:30, Sunday school; 11 a. m., morning prayer and sermon.—The Epistle of Patience; 7:30 p. m., evening prayer and address. The public is cordially invited to attend the services.

St. Peter's Chapel—4 p. m., Sunday school; 4:30 p. m., evening prayer and address. The Ladies' guild will meet Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. with Mrs. Palmer, 56 South Main street.

St. Paul's Church, Main and Fourth South streets, the Rev. Charles E. Perkins, D. D., pastor.—Services: 8 a. m., holy communion; 9:30 a. m., Sunday school; 11 a. m., morning prayer and sermon.—"The Ministry"; 7:30 p. m., evening prayer and sermon.—"Violations of Law"; 10 a. m., Wednesday, holy communion at the hour of the consecration of the bishop. Strangers always welcome.

St. John's Chapel, Perkins addition.—2:45 p. m., Sunday school; 4 p. m., evening prayer and sermon by the Rev. Charles E. Perkins. A cordial welcome to all.

Methodist.
First Methodist Episcopal Church, on Third South street, near Main, Benjamin Young, pastor.—Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning topic, "Services," evening subject, "Our Father," Epworth League at 6:30 p. m., Sunday school at 10:30 a. m., Junior League at 3:30 p. m., Young People's Bible class Tuesday evening at 7:30; prayer meeting Wednesday immediately after Sunday morning services. All are cordially invited to these services.

Hill M. E. Church, Ninth East and First South, D. M. Helmick, pastor.—Preaching at 10 o'clock by the Rev. S. A. Wainwright of Liberty Park church, and at 7:30 by the pastor; Sunday school at 10 a. m., Epworth League at 6:30 p. m., led by William L. G. Trapp; Junior League at 3:30. Ladies' Aid will give a reception at the home of Mrs. E. P. Hickey, 821 East Second South street, Monday evening, to which a general invitation is extended to the ladies and their gentlemen friends.

Liberty Park M. E. Church, corner Eighth East and Ninth South, S. A. Wainwright, pastor.—Preaching, 11 a. m. by the pastor; 7:30 p. m. by the pastor; Sunday school, 10 a. m.; Junior League, 3:30 p. m.; Epworth League, 7 p. m.; prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Congregational.
First Congregational—Public services at 11 o'clock, sermon by Rev. Elmer L. Goshe; Sunday school at 12:30; Young People's meeting, 6 o'clock. Public cordially invited to all services.

Phillips Congregational Church—Corner of Fifth South and East streets, Rev. P. A. Simpkins, pastor. Services to be held at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school at 12:15; Christian Endeavor at 6:30. All are cordially invited to these services.

Baptist.
First Baptist Church, corner Second South and Second West, Pastor, D. A. Brown.—Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., Sunday school, 10 a. m., F. J. Lucas, superintendent; B. Y. P. U., at 6:30 p. m., Frank Lucas, leader. Subject, "How to Break Bad Habits and Cultivate Good Ones." Wednesday evening service at 7:30. A welcome to all.

Rio Grande Mission Chapel, Second South-between Ninth and Tenth West—Sunday school at 10 a. m., George Paul, superintendent.

Burlington Mission Chapel, corner Indiana avenue and Navajo street.—Sunday school at 3:30 p. m., Henry Jacobs, superintendent. Friday evening service at 7:30.

Christian.
Central Christian Church, corner Third East and Fourth South (Fourth South street car), Dr. T. W. Pinkerton, pastor.—Morning service, 11 o'clock; evening service, 7:30; Bible school, 12:15; Christian Endeavor, 6:45; Junior Endeavor, Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock; prayer service, Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.; regular monthly song service the first Sunday evening in the month.

Unitarian.
First Unitarian Society.—Services at Unity hall, 149 Second East, at 11 a. m., Rev. William H. Fish, Jr., pastor. Subject of sermon, "The American Gentleman." The Unity quartette will sing an anthem and the pastor will read a solo. Sunday school and Bible class at 12:15. The Unity club will meet Monday evening at 8 o'clock. This is the last meeting at which Rev. Mr. Fish will be present, and a full attendance is desired.

Scientist.
First Church of Christ Scientist, 239 East Third South.—Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., church service at 11 a. m.; subject, "Is the Universe Including Man Evolved by Atomic Force?" Each Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, a meeting is held to listen to the testimonial of healing of both sin and sickness. Free reading rooms open daily from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m., in rooms 607-608 Scott-Strawell building, 168 Main street. Take elevator.

Lutheran.
Our Savior's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Fourth East, between Fourth and Fifth streets, services at 10:30 a. m., in the English language. The Young People's Luther League will meet this afternoon at 5:30 with Miss Pehr, 318 South State street. The Ladies' society will meet next Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Eckert, 35 Park avenue. A. G. H. Overns, pastor.

WOMEN'S CLUBS

Woman's Club.
The Woman's club met Tuesday last at the home of Mrs. Allen T. Sanford on R street. Mrs. Sanford read a paper of the afternoon on "Comparative Education." The writer took up the subject of the afternoon in the various civilized countries and followed the methods employed from the grammar school through the great universities. The subject was prepared in a palatable manner, many problems connected therewith thoroughly discussed. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. A. J. Johnson, Dec. 29, when Mrs. V. M. Stuckey will read a paper on the "Home Finding Association."

Wasatch Literary Circle.
The Wasatch Literary Circle had a Kensington at the home of Mrs. Joseph McClain Tuesday, Dec. 6. During the afternoon the women were entertained by a Christmas story read by Mrs. Hauxhurst and "Current Events" given by Mrs. Beveridge. The next regular meeting will be Jan. 8, with Mrs. W. R. White.

Sorosis of Provo.
The Utah Sorosis met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Misses Buehler and Lena Badnar. The first paper of the afternoon was a review of current literature by Mrs. Mattie Ward. After a short recess, Mrs. S. C. King followed with a review of J. J. Holliver's novel of "Bay Path." The club adjourned to meet next week with Mrs. Speckard.

Daughters of the Confederacy.
The regular meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy will be held next Thursday at the Kenyon hotel. The club will hold an annual reunion on the evening of Dec. 27, at the First Presbyterian church at which ten southern veterans will be decorated with the golden cross. The society of the Daughters is making extensive preparations for the event.

The regular meeting of Unity club will be held tomorrow evening in Unity hall. Rev. W. H. Fish will read a paper on Victor Hugo and after discussion the music from Liszt and

Gounod will be given by Mr. A. A. Kerr.

The Club de Langue Francaise will meet at the home of Mrs. Mary F. Kelly on Friday evening, Dec. 16. The following programme has been arranged:
Chants de Noël, under the direction of Miss Juvet.
Lecture, "Lettres de Mon Moulin," Miss Rufner.
Recitation, Mr. Squires.
Solo violin, Miss Jones.
Devinettes, Mrs. Helmz.

The Cleofan will meet Tuesday with Mrs. Charles Wells, Miss Emeline Wells will give the paper on "Chivalry," which was postponed from last time. Mrs. Charles Wells will review "Provincial Literature," taking in all the early lyrics, allegorical poetry and tableaux of France.

The Nineteenth Century club met at the home of Mrs. E. E. Corman. A character study of "Othello" was given by Miss Kellogg. After a short recess, the roll was called and members responded with quotations from Shakespeare.

Spirit of Liberty Chapter, D. A. R. will meet with Mrs. Grant Hampton, 388 East First South at 2:30 p. m. on Friday, Dec. 16. The next of Thursday, Dec. 15, as previously announced, Mrs. Allen of Park City, will have charge of the programme.

The house decoration section of the Ladies' Literary club will meet tomorrow morning at the club house at 10 o'clock.

The Reviewers club will meet Monday at the home of Mrs. R. C. Woodruff, Mrs. Woodruff will give "A Day with the Japanese."

The Ellice club gave a dance at Christensen's hall Friday evening, which was largely attended. The next affair to be given by this organization will be a character ball during the holidays.

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50 Dozen of damask white lawn handkerchiefs in 8c and 10c values, for three days—**Five for 25c**

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All our fine evening and dress gloves in elbow and shoulder lengths, black, white and evening shades. Gize and undressed kid in values from \$3.00 to \$5.00, will be placed on sale for the next three days at (each)—**\$1.85 Pair**

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Notice of Special City Tax. TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given that a special tax for the purpose of constructing a cement sidewalk six feet wide, on the north side of Sixth South from State to Second East, and the west side of Second East from Fifth South to Seventh South streets, and on the north side of Seventh street from State to Second East street, on the east side of State street in sidewalk districts Nos. 9, 18 and 20, has been levied by the city council and confirmed by ordinance dated Dec. 5, 1904. Said tax is levied upon the following real property in Salt Lake City, to-wit: All of lots 1, 6, 7 and 8, block 35; all of lots 1 and 8, block 24, fronting on Sixth South street; to-wit: lots 1 and 2, block 35, fronting on Second East street; all of lots 1, 6, 7 and 8, block 35; all of lots 1 and 8, block 24, fronting on Seventh South street; all of lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, block 24, fronting on State street; all of lots 1 and 5, block 29, plat

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