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SHERIDAN BRIEFS.

SHERIDAN, Sept. 15.]—Special Correspondence.—On last week Wednesday, Mrs. James Duncan, on returning home from Sheridan, lost from the buggy a small bundle containing three yards of cambric and a suit of clothing for a small boy, consisting of pants and waist, purchased at Fox Bros. Any one finding the same will please return them to the owner, and thus carry out the precepts of the Golden Rule.

Prof. Ackley was in town last week, enroute to Virginia City; where his friends, musical and otherwise, will gladly greet him.

A very pleasant social gathering was held at the home of Mrs. Mary Righte-nour last Thursday afternoon. The invited guests were Mesdames Cornforth, Cislser, Day, Hedley, Jones, Fitch and Dickinson, all but the latter being present to enjoy the hospitality of the hostess. The time passed in pleasant converse, all too quickly, till the lunch-hour arrived; when full justice was done to the dainty and appetizing viands served. At the hour of parting all felt grateful to their hostess for the enjoyment given them.

Mrs. Crane has so far recovered as to be removed to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Christiansen.

Mrs. John Hatfield and children are down from the Montana mines, for a week's visit with friends.

Mrs. Louis Dahlman has returned to her home, from the Easton mine, where she has been for several months with her husband.

The festival given on Saturday night by the ladies of the M. E. church passed off very pleasantly, the proceeds of the evening being twenty dollars. Considering the stormy weather, and that the entertainment had not been well advertised, all felt satisfied with the results.

Mrs. Carver's select school opened on Monday morning, in an upper room of the school building.

Died of cholera infantum at Brandon, on Sunday evening, the 13th inst., Florence, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Conley, aged three months and seven days. The funeral was held at the residence on Tuesday afternoon, Rev. R. P. Smith, speaking words of spiritual strength and comfort to the bereaved hearts of the parents, called to part with their little darling. His text was from John 14-1. The grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman, were from home visiting in Silver Bow county, and failed to receive word of the child's illness. The burial took place in the Sheridan cemetery; sympathizing friends being in attendance: "Our little baby girl; our dear wee lamb.

With outstretched dimpled hands and rounded cheek;
With eyes of heaven's blue; with breath like balm.
And laughing lips that had not learned to speak!

"Our dear, wee lamb! why are we thus bereft?
Why cradle life, if it be but to die?
Our baby taken; and so many left!
Healer of troubled hearts, lean from on high.

"And by thy truth that sweet assurance send:
That we once more our baby's face will see;
That, though we weep and cannot comprehend,
She is our child through all eternity."

Miss Flora Duncan and Mrs. Estline leave for Virginia City this week, where they will fill positions the coming year, of primary and intermediate teachers, respectively, in the public schools of that place.

Mr. James M. Herndon, of Virginia City has been spending a few days here in the interest of his furniture store.

The entertainment given by the ventriloquist on Tuesday evening, drew a large and interested audience.

Mrs. Davis has been very ill for several days, but is regaining her former health.

Mrs. E. L. Smith of Virginia City was in town Wednesday, enroute to Twin Bridges.

Born on Wednesday the 17th inst., to the wife of R. J. Olson, a daughter.

Rev. R. P. Smith preached a most excellent sermon, to a full house, on

Sunday morning, from the last clause of the 25th verse of the 20th chapter of Acts. The successful organization of a choir has been effected, which adds greatly to the interest of the church service. Mr. Mathew Nelson's rich bass voice, and Miss Malraffy's clear, sweet soprano, are additions greatly needed and appreciated by all church goers.

The clean up from the four week's run, in the M. G. M. & M. Co's. mill, on Wisconsin Creek, is reported as being very satisfactory.

Remember Bishop Brewer's announcement for next Thursday, the 24th inst. as made last week.

Teams Wanted

To haul brick from Sheridan to Virginia City. Apply to Floyd Closser at the city hall building, Virginia City, or H. D. Rossiter, Sheridan.

A CHANGE OF SIGNALS.

Shall the Green Be Placed Above the Red on American Railroads?

There is considerable discussion among railroad men just now over a proposed change in the signals generally in use on American railroads for the guidance of engineers. At a recent meeting of engineers in Chicago it was determined to agitate for a change from the existing rules.

Where a red light is displayed on the line of an American railroad it means that there is danger ahead, and under the regulations of most roads an engineer getting this signal stops the train until either it is removed or another signal is displayed, or until the signal is given by the train dispatcher to proceed. The green signal means caution. The white signal means all clear ahead. The objection to the use of white lights is a double one—first, that they are too common, and second, that they are untrustworthy, for, as railroad men point out, if a red lantern is broken the light shown becomes a white one, and thus the safety of the train and the passengers upon it may be imperiled by the breaking of a piece of glass.

As railroad signals are not always distinguishable from ordinary lights, American engineers have come generally to disregard the white signals entirely, and to look out merely for a red signal, the absence of which they take to be proof of security. Those who are agitating for a change desire to see introduced here the English system, which differs from the American in this, that the English use an amber light for caution and a green light for "all clear." The proposition is to use a green light on American railroads to indicate that all is well, while a red signal light will continue to be a mark of danger. It is estimated that a complete change of the signal service on American railroads would cost \$1,000,000, and most of the railroad corporations, now curtailing expenses, do not give very hearty approval to the engineers' plan at this time.—New York Sun.

TO PRACTICE FARMING.

Nebraska Methodists Adopt Novel Means to Raise Money.

The example of the Methodist church at Winside, Neb., in securing the use for the coming year of a 60 acre tract, which it is proposed to plant to wheat to be sold at the end of the season for the benefit of the church, has been followed with slight variations by the members of the Wayne Methodist church.

The latter has rented a small farm on the outskirts of the town, on which wheat, corn and garden truck will be raised and sold to lift a debt of several hundred dollars on the church property. Seed, grain and labor will be donated. It is expected that churches in several of the neighboring towns will adopt the same plan.—Chicago Times-Herald.

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