

# UTAH STATE NEWS.

In Utah county, during the year 1902, 283 mortgages, of the value of \$249,977.56 were released.

It is said the Oregon Short Line railway will erect a \$300,000 depot in Salt Lake City during the coming year.

Over \$5,000 worth of stamps were sold at the Salt Lake postoffice during the three days preceding Christmas.

Work on the Judge memorial home for miners in Salt Lake City is being pushed forward as fast as possible.

George Quion of Ephraim accidentally shot himself in the foot last week while carelessly handling a revolver.

Henry F. Schefski of Salt Lake City has mysteriously disappeared, and his friends fear he has met with foul play.

The second annual banquet of the Salt Lake Stock Exchange was held Saturday night last, covers being laid for sixty.

James Lynch and Robert King have been sentenced to be shot on February 20 for the murder of Colonel Prowse in a Salt Lake City gambling house.

The buildings at Beck's Hot Springs, north of Salt Lake City, were destroyed by fire last week, the occupants escaping in their night clothes.

Fountain Green now has electric lights, furnished by the Big Springs Electric company, the stock being held by Fountain Green and Moroni citizens.

Charles Auger, aged 6, while coasting down a hill in Salt Lake City, ran into a street car and had a narrow escape from death, being badly scratched up.

The mother of Horace Sheppard, who was run over and killed by a street car in Salt Lake City, June 19 last, has sued the company for \$30,000 damages.

Twenty-one million pounds of sugar has been sacked at the Lehi sugar factory this season. When loaded upon cars this would fill a train nearly six miles long.

It is claimed by the representatives of the Rio Grande and the Short Line that there has not in years been such a large amount of travel out of Salt Lake City during the holiday period.

Shadrach Holdaway, of Provo, one of the pioneers of Utah, and who was the first to bring to Provo machinery for carding and spinning wool, died at his home in Provo last week, after a short illness.

Dr. L. S. Payne of Salt Lake will have to face a charge of murder, the coroner's jury returning a verdict that he caused the death of Miss Anna Hill, a Salt Lake school teacher, upon whom he performed a criminal operation.

Charles B. Markland, a prominent Salt Laker, occupies a padded cell at the city jail, awaiting an examination regarding his sanity. Markland was endeavoring to murder his wife when frustrated by passers-by and taken into custody.

During the progress of a kangaroo court at Ephraim, Ezra Madson was accidentally struck with a policeman's club, the blow rendering him unconscious for several hours, he being confined to his bed since, although his recovery is assured.

Robert Cook and Henry Cornady engaged in a fight at Spanish Fork, Cook using a knife, slashing Cornady a number of times across the breast and once in the abdomen, the latter wound being a serious one, grave consequences being feared.

Roy F. Felt, a 17-year-old boy, who was in jail in St. George, last week made his escape by the assistance of another boy. Both boys secured horses, cut the telegraph wires to prevent word being sent in advance, and rode away, but were captured the next day.

The charges against Clyde Felt, the boy charged with the murder of Samuel Collins, near Salt Lake last Easter, have been dismissed. When young Felt was arraigned shortly after the crime was committed he pleaded guilty. Now the prosecuting attorney declares it is doubtful if a conviction could be secured.

Daniel Gibson, of Sandy, while attempting to drive under a bridge near Murray, being seated on top of a load of lumber, was caught between the lumber and the bridge and horribly crushed and mangled, succumbing to his injuries soon after being taken to the hospital.

William Bright of Kimberly has just received notice of the issuance of a patent for a device of his invention. It is a scheme whereby a boiler automatically closes off the water and steam from the water gauge in case of the breakage of the glass.

Henry Howland, a stationery engineer, living at Elgin, this state, has received word that his father, Dr. Henry M. Howland, had suicided in Denver. He had been a sufferer from rheumatism and was despondent over illness and a lack of money.