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Burglar Busy

Entering Home of L. E. Eggertson Makes Off With Valuable Jewels

[The following clipping has been received from Jas. E. Nielson who is at present staying in Ogdon, Utah, preparatory to his journey to Chicago, Ill., which will be his headquarters for the next two years. Mr. Nielson was visiting with his sister, Mrs. Eggertson, at whose home the robbery occurred, and the satchel and contents mentioned in the clipping belonged to Mrs. Nielson.]

Ogdon, Utah, Apr 24.—The house of County Superintendent L. E. Eggertson, 2071 Madison avenue, was the scene of one of the most daring day-light burglaries yesterday ever pulled off in the city.

It was stated that members of the family were seated in the dining room between one and two in the afternoon when a man was observed in the act of leaving the house. A hurried investigation disclosed the fact that a considerable quantity of valuables had been taken including \$20 in bills, a satchel, hand mirror, silver watch of Swiss make, a plain gold locket of hair and a photograph of a lady and child, a hair brush, pair of kid gloves, a gold watch engraved with the letters "M. M." and a number of other toilet articles of more or less value.

An excellent view of the man's features were secured by those who saw him leaving the house and he would be easily identified. As soon as it was discovered that the intruder had taken the articles, the police were notified, but too late to effect his immediate capture.

The political situation at the Macleod by election will be still further complicated by the nomination of a farmers' candidate. Just who is going to run outside of this farmers' candidate is not yet very apparent but if three or four candidates go into the field he race should be interesting.

Funeral Services

The funeral services Tuesday afternoon over the remains of the late Mrs. Joseph Peters, who passed away on Sunday morning, took place in the Assembly Hall, and was attended by a large number of friends and relatives. The speakers were: Patriarch Henry L. Hinman, Elder S. M. Woolf, Bishop D. E. Harris and Pres. E. J. Wood. The large hall was draped in white, and many beautiful flowers covered the stand. The choir was present and rendered sweet music during the services.

Natural Gas

To the Editor of The Star.
It is quite a matter of interest to some citizens as to what is going to be done about the natural gas discovery. If nothing is done by us this project may be picked up by outside parties who could furnish fuel or light to the detriment of our present plant or put it out of business. Then we might be paying interests on material that we have no use for.

Another aspect of the case is that the gas may be an indication of coal below the surface. It is agreed that in respect to the cost of running our present light and water plant the coal is the factor against reaping a profit or dividends. So that if coal could be located close to town at a much lesser cost per ton than we are now paying our municipal venture might be placed upon quite another footing. This matter is worth considering, viz., the question of boring still deeper to see what is below us. I would suggest a meeting be held to take the matter up and discuss it.

Yours truly,
Ratepayer.

When planting trees, shrubs or garden seeds please remember that it is necessary, when wishing to make a success of any of these, that they should be varieties that are acclimatized. It is waste of time trying to do something that cannot be done and then cursing the country.

Notes and Comments

The A. & G. W. enquiry still goes on and the commission this week has been sitting in Winnipeg. Before leaving Edmonton the evidence of Mr. S. B. Woods, Deputy Attorney General, was taken. Mr. Woods seems to have been bearing a good deal of the chief brunt of the enquiry. The defenders of the contract laid considerable stress in the house upon the fact, that when the insurgents objected to the agreement Mr. Clarke had offered better terms.

In regard to this Mr. Justice Scott has the following to say: "But how could the government insist that Clarke carry out the new agreement? At the time it was offered, the Canada West Construction Company already had a contract with the A. & G. W. company to build the road according to the original specifications. B. R. Clarke was president of the Construction company and it was out of the power of the railroad company to compel the other to follow the new specifications."

"I did not know at that time," replied Woods, "that such an arrangement had been made. I regarded Clarke and the Construction company as one and the same thing."

A question we might ask in regard to this also is: How many of those who voted to amend the condition behind it? However it might have been a misunderstanding all round. Daylight seems sometime coming and the situation can scarcely be said to improve. If that amount of money was to be guaranteed by the province it would have been safer to guarantee it upon some project that had a better chance of being a paying project. Country already well filled up, by being rapidly improved, would have been a greater asset to the province and would have strengthened our credit. The faster we develop the settled portion of the province, where development is easy, the sooner shall we be able to bear the burden of extra expense in developing the newer portions. It is a case of settling one's bank account upon a solid foundation before trying a new venture.

We are deriving considerable information now adays from the papers as to how to promote projects and so arrange them that all is kept within the family circle, and so that when any trading is to be done we can pass the money out of one pocket into the other and keep the circuit intact.

One of the features of the struggle that has been somewhat overlooked, viz., who is the government of this country? When the legislature met it looked very much as though a small, we might say a very small Cabinet was the whole thing, and legislature, the representatives of the people had very little to say about anything, in fact knew very little about what was going on. In the west we like to know something about our own affairs and what we are paying for? In future it may be safer for our government to consider that this is not a government by autocracy but a democracy of which the individual and components parts like to receive a little consideration.

Calgary seems determined to take the wind out of the Edmonton sails by starting a university of her own at Calgary. In a way at this early juncture in our history, the splitting of forces is to be deplored but our two principal cities have entered upon a struggle for supremacy which seems to show no abatement, and it is not within the power of outsiders to offer much advice or change the trend of events. The Calgary University seems now to be a certainty in the not very distant future.

Leavitt News

Last week the Young Ladies Mutual entertained the young men of the ward in honor of the outgoing and incoming superintendent. Our association was re-organized on account of the removal from the Ward of Supt. W. Tyler. Bishop Frank Leavitt was chosen to succeed him, with Hyrum Broadbent and Thos. L. Wilson as aids. The entertainment was one of the leading social features of the season. The following program was rendered.

Singing, prayer and singing. Speech of welcome by Clara E. Coombs.

Song, Miss Luella Leavitt. Paper (local) Mrs. Addie Wilson. Song, Amos Leavitt. Recitation, Maroni Allen. Prophecy, Miss Rose Archibald. Lunch was then served by the Domestic Science Class.

Menu
Ham sandwiches
Fruit salad
Pie and cake
After which the following toasts were given.

Our Domestic Science Class. Mrs. Millie Matkin. Our past, William Tyler. Our Mutuals as an education, Professor David Osborn Wight. "Our Association, Bishop W. G. Smith. Our future Supt. Frank Leavitt. Toast master, Mr. I. M. Coombs. The balance of the evening was spent in exercise of the "Light fantastic toe."

The gents received their partners for the evening by drawing the corresponding bow, worn by the ladies.

Mr. Willard Sorrensen and G. E. Caboon, members of the Union Board have just returned from Orton, where they have been visiting in interest of the Sabbath Schools.

On Saturday, the Leavitt base ball team accepted a challenge from Mt. View "9" and played a very interesting game, score 15-12 in favor of Leavitt.

Incidentally we took over some of our jumpers and wrestlers and added to the fund of amusement thereby.

Mr. D. O. Wight and George Parker tried a fall, was declared by the referee, Willard S. Smith a draw. Mr. W. D. Sorrensen then accepted a challenge from Albert Henderson. Owing to an accident that occurred during the ball game, Mr. Sorrensen was placed at a disadvantage, but Willard was one too many for Albert and scored best 2 of 3.

It was decided in the parents class Sunday that next Saturday, April 30th, would be public holiday and a general clean up of all public property would occupy attention. Following up the Arbor day exercises held by the school last Thursday, our school house and grounds will receive special attention. New pains, new shades, looks etc, will be installed and a general beautifying of the place so

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