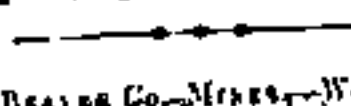


LOCAL ITEMS.

GOLD.—Corrected daily by First National Bank. Gold coin buying at 108 Selling at 107. 

THE BEAVER CO. MINES.—We see, by a dispatch from Beaver that the mines in Lincoln District, four miles from Minersville, are, besides being very rich in gold-bearing quartz, producing free gold. The lodes are from 100 to 5,000 feet, and have a breadth of some five feet. They assay from \$1,200 to \$1,800 in gold, and \$100 in silver per ton. The formation is granite, quartzite and slate. The best miners have long considered Beaver county the best district of minerals in the Territory. It is 200 miles directly south of this city. It has a fine climate and plenty of grass, timber and water.

WANTED AN ANTIDOTE for the house worshipping. Somebody has got it had already. One would judge that building material is in big demand hereabouts. It may be interesting to the public to know that that specimen of the rural architecture of the country, was safely landed on First South Street a few rods west of the city market. It is doubtless intended for an observatory.

TIBIC DOLLAR.—T. W. Clarkson Esq. Treasurer and General Superintendent of the Utah Smelting and Milling Co. of Hematite Tibic, called in on Saturday last, and showed us a fine specimen of bullion from the Eureka hill which had the true ring—the first yet run in that district. The company have just completed two very fine large furnaces built of the native sand rock. They commenced work six weeks ago and are now in full running order. It may be remembered that the Eureka Mining Co., bought up the entire Eureka hill some little time since, at a cost of half a million. There will be three or four tons of this bullion at the company's office in this city today.

THE JUNCTION writes on the Corlone launch, regardless of expense, so says the reporter. Corlone's head begins to swim a little.

FRIDAY NIGHT four large, heavy boilers, from the Iron Works at San Francisco, passed through this place for Salt Lake City. Yesterday afternoon the machinery for large hoisting works was on the freight train, destination the same. An immense amount of machinery is now being brought into the Territory from California.—*Corlone Journal.*

BISHOP J. C. LITTLE is in the hotel business. Jesse is a good Saint, and we presume that he can stand it, if he don't get too fat off the "Gentiles."

MR. L. STENOGRAPH left yesterday morning for the eastern cities to solicit advertisements to be placed in the cars of the U. P. and U. C. Railroads. Mr. Stenograph is an active, reliable young man, who will be likely to make business for his patrons. We wish him success. Mr. S. informs us that he will get up his arrangements so as to make them ornamental to the cars.

PERSONAL.—Among the distinguished visitors now in this city is the Hon. James Brooks of New York, one of the Editors and proprietors of the *Express* of that city, and a representative in Congress from Gotham. Mr. Brooks is one of the veteran journalists of the Empire State. Next to Horace Greeley we believe that he has been longer in the editorial chair than any other writer connected, certainly with the metropolitan press. He combines the rare qualities of a first-class journalist with the experience and skill of a veteran politician, and we are a little afraid that he is more fond of the excitement and glory incident to a statesman's life than the quiet but arduous existence of an editor. As he is equally clever in either sphere, we hardly feel inclined to question his taste, since he is entitled to a holiday life after passing so many years in the editorial harness. We welcome Mr. Brooks to our city. He is a man of quick perception, and is not likely to be misled by the "smiles of princes," which so often turn the heads of men of considerable character and power who visit this city of the Saints.

ALMOST A FIRE.—Early on Saturday morning a fire was kindled by two little boys playing in the yard in the rear of the Tribune office. A large amount of straw, paper, and other light combustible matter was scattered over the ground, to which the little fellows applied a match. The blaze almost instantly attracted the attention of one of Mr. Dinwoodey's hands, who gave the alarm and at the same time made a vigorous application of water. A dozen men and boys were on the spot in less than two minutes with buckets and other vessels for bearing water, who with efforts which only men in such a crisis can make, succeeded in subduing the flames, which had taken hold of some crates stuffed with straw belonging to Messrs. Kimball & Lawrence. If the fire had not been discovered immediately after it was ignited, a conflagration, which would have swept away a large portion of the buildings on this block would doubtless have been the result, as a strong wind was prevailing. There was next to no water in the little ditch which runs through the premises. This is another warning to our city fathers whose duty it is to provide efficient water-works in the vicinity of the business portions of the city. A reservoir of water could be constructed on the bench north of the city that would by means of pipes and hydrants throw water over any given portion of the city.

THE STORE-PAY BUSINESS.—We have ever been opposed to this kind of pay, but there was perhaps a day when it was more excusable in Utah than it is at the present time. The trade in Utah has changed within the last year or two to an extent that bartering or swapping one commodity for another has almost become obsolete. It is impossible to conceive of a more awkward state of affairs in business transactions, than the necessity of buying and selling, paying and receiving, in the absence of money. It is to-day as practicable to pay for what we get in money, here in Salt Lake, as in any other city on this western coast, and the policy of still settling accounts in goods is unjust to the laborer. The man who lives by his labor is not to be trifled with, and he should in every instance have the choice of houses in spending his money. It is our experience that money will always discount orders. There are many houses we know that will let their goods go as cheap on their accounts as for money paid down; but where there is competition there are always chances that give the advantage to the man who has the greenbacks. We hope to see our merchants adapt themselves to the times, and discard at once the store order business. In a mining country like Utah we cannot see the least necessity for this antiquated and unsatisfactory method of doing business. Every man wants to decide for himself where he will buy his goods; rob him of this right and he will feel that he is to some extent the victim of monopoly, whether it be a fact or not. This is human nature everywhere, and against its universal law we may not contend.

MASSONIC.—A special communication of Mt. Moriah Lodge No. 70 will be held this evening at 7 o'clock, sharp, for work in the M. M. Degree. Members and visiting brethren are invited to attend.

Wells, Fargo shipped yesterday, to Lees and Waller of New York, 6 bars of bullion from the Meadow Valley Works, worth \$8,555.55; and 11 bars from Ely & Raymond, worth \$12,879.57.