

## Summary of Newspaper Articles

### Deseret Evening News – Salt Lake City, UT (last date searched 12/15/1887)

Headline: [Earthquake At Kanab](#)  
Date: 12/10/1887  
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### Salt Lake Tribune – Salt Lake City, UT (last date searched 12/11/1887)

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## Information Categories

### **A -- Aid:**

provide medical services, shelter, donations, loans, advice, encouragement, implement safety measures

### **B -- Building Damage:**

structure itself plus windows and chimneys (typically damage visible from outside the building)

### **E -- Earthquake Description:**

where, when, duration, direction, sound, motion, number and timing of aftershocks

### **G -- Geologic Effects:**

changes at the Earth's surface, fault scarps, rockfalls, landslides, ground cracks, ground subsidence, sand boils, water spouts; effects on springs, lakes, wells

### **H -- Humor:**

### **I -- Impact:**

changes in daily routine; rumors; influx of reporters, politicians, cost in dollars

### **L -- Lifelines:**

effects on transportation: roads, bridges, railroads, airports

effects on communications: telephone, telegraph

effects on power, gas, water, and sewer lines

effects on dams

### **N -- Nonstructural Effects:**

effects on plaster, furnishings (typically damage or rearrangement of furnishings visible inside a building)

### **P -- People:**

effects on and responses to, during and after; deaths, injuries, near misses

### **R -- Recovery:**

clean up, rebuild

### **S -- Scientific:**

explanation of the day

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## **EARTHQUAKE AT KANAB**

### **The People Frightened And Some Damage Done**

Under date of the 5th inst. "Norman" writes as follows from Kanab:

"This morning, at 8:30, this place was visited by an earthquake. The motion seemed to be from southeast to northwest. The shock lasted perhaps ten seconds, and in several houses dishes were shaken from the cupboard shelves, clocks stopped and bricks fell from the tops of chimneys. Persons walking in houses or on streets were, in some cases, thrown down. Tons of rock fell from the cliffs, raising a dust along the mountain chain. Many people were considerably frightened, and ran hither and thither, apparently trying to find their tickets. No serious damage occurred, only a few cracks in houses.

Later in the day rumbling sounds were heard, but no other shocks were noticed."

On the same date, "J. B. H." of the same place, wrote the following:

"This morning, just at 15 minutes past 8 o'clock by my time, a heavy shock of earthquake was witnessed here all through this city. It came with a loud, rumbling sound, and a wonderful heaving and shaking of everything. I immediately looked at my clock; it was fifteen minutes past eight, and the clock there and then stopped. All the tinkling things hanging round the house played a lively tune. The house door slammed as if a horse or some other big, heavy substance had fallen against it with great force. The house shook so as to scare the inmates very much. My wife was about to faint. I then looked round the outside of my two-story house, and on the west side I found three cracks or rents in the wall, running straight from the roof. One of them runs straight down through the rock foundation into the earth, and two on the east side are much the same.

"I went up through town, and everybody was somewhat shocked about the event that had taken place."

**[Deseret Evening News; December 10, 1887]**

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