

curing consumption, asthma, and kindred diseases. Consumptives are especially benefited by breathing our light, pure air, and traveling through our many canyons. Where they are not cured grim death is baffled for many a year.

But persons suffering from catarrh should never come here thinking to improve their health, as our climate favors such a disease. They should seek a seaside home, where they can breathe moist air.

We are occasionally visited with diphtheria, scarlet fever, mumps, measles and whooping cough; but with good care these diseases can be prevented from spreading over a community and sweeping half the people away. It is not so in countries where the climate is not naturally so free from disease germs. So that even in contagious diseases we can claim much for our climate.

Some very rare cases of small pox, typhoid fever and other like diseases are seen in Utah, but they are generally carried here from other regions, and are checked and stamped out before spreading far. In some few places where the surface is swampy, or where, as in cities, there is no drainage, malarial diseases occasionally appear; but this is no fault of the climate.

Anyone wishing a healthy constitution, a beautiful form, strong mental powers, and a love for human freedom, should come to Utah, the finest climate on earth to increase these qualities.

MAMIE C. LEWIS, Fairview, Utah.

### CITY COUNCIL.

The City Council met last night in regular weekly session, President Looftsbourow in the chair. The councilmen in attendance were: Rich, Karrick, Hardy, Wantland, Beardsley, Heiss, Simondi, Kelly, Folland, Evans, Moran, Lawson, Horn—13.  
Absent—Bell—1.

#### JUDGE HOGE EXCUSED.

Immediately after roll call President Looftsbourow announced that Judge Hoge, who was present, had pressing business elsewhere and recommended that he be excused from the rest of the meeting. There was no objection and Judge Hoge left the council chamber.

#### The Proceedings.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

#### COAL DEALERS' QUERIES.

Wostenholme & Morris, Ellerbeck Bros., J. S. Morse & Sons, R. M. Wilkinson, Diamond Coal company and Salt Lake Coal company sent in the following communication:

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen.—In order to fully comply with the requirements of the ordinance regulating the sale and delivery of coal to the public, we would like the following information:

First. At what place must we get coal weighed?

Second. In what manner do you wish to weigh the coal sold to farmers and others who come to the coal yards with their own teams?

Third. Coal that is sold by wholesale car loads and delivered f. o. b. cars, how do you wish to weigh and furnish certificate of weight?

Fourth. To the poor people who

purchase 50 or 100 pounds at the coal yards and haul away in hand wagons, how do the city wish to furnish certificates?

Fifth.—Should a buyer decide to take the coal at the coal company's weights and pay for same, may he do so, either hauling it himself, or have the company haulers do the work without the city certificate of weight?

Sixth.—Will it be required of all teams hauling coal to first visit the city's scales and be weighed for light weight of wagons and horses, each load or only once a day?

Seventh.—Will the city be prepared to weigh and certify on 1500 to 2000 loads and the same tare weights in ten hours, beginning at 7 o'clock a. m. each day?

Eighth.—Will the city appoint a supervisor or coal inspector with whom we may confer in regards to rules and plans of action in the expediting of business and fill the demands of the buyers of coal so as to make the least delay?

Nine.—To whom will the difference, if any, be given by the city between weighing on scales that weigh horses and wagon, and those that weigh wagons only, as there is usually a difference from 50 to 100 pounds?

Ten.—Should a difference in weight appear at any time, what would be considered by the Council as the least difference to be a cause for action against the coal companies by the purchaser?

We would respectfully suggest that the city immediately erect four or more ton scales at a point on Third West near First South, whereby there would be a saving to the public of 25 cents per ton or fraction of a ton, as we have been informed by coal haulers that the drayage on coal will be at least 40 cents per ton or fraction of a ton more than at present, when said coal is hauled to the city weight scales, where now located—which 40 cents added to the cost of weighing, say 10 cents, will add to the present cost of coal 50 cents per ton or fraction of a ton when weighed over city scales.

#### Committee on markets.

#### FOR EXPERT TESTIMONY.

Professor H. Hirsching, chemist, sent in a bill for \$100 for giving expert testimony in the recent tonnage suit against the city heard before Judge Miner at Ogden. The bill was "O. K'd" by City Attorney Hoge. Referred to the committee on claims.

#### THEY WANT LIGHT.

W. C. Reilly and others asked for an electric light on Kendall street. Committee on improvements.

#### ABATEMENTS ASKED.

Henry Wagner asked an abatement of sidewalk tax, having constructed his own sidewalk by permission of the City Council. Board of public works.

W. L. Bluder asked for the abatement of a watermain extension assessment, giving reasons. Committee on waterworks.

#### POLICEMEN APPOINTED.

The chief of police and mayor sent in a communication appointing R. C. Brown as policeman to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Carl Birkner; also J. C. Davis to succeed Policeman Duke who was appointed to drive the patrol wagon. Confirmed.

#### A CREMATORY COMPANY'S BOND.

The mayor sent in a communication in which he recommended that the bond of the Engle Sanitary and Crematory company of Iowa be referred to the city attorney. So ordered.

#### ONEY FOR THE EAGLE GATE.

The committee on improvements reported as follows in the matter of the petition of Spencer Clawson and others: We think the city should protect old land marks and monuments, and we also think the public have contributed so liberally in this worthy cause of replacing the old Eagle Gate, we recommend that the City Council appropriate the amount asked in the petition, \$1778.19, and that it be placed on the appropriation list. Adopted.

#### FEWER EXTENSION.

The committee on sewerage reported in the matter of the petition of the board of education for extension of sewer laterals, that the same be granted and that the city engineer be instructed to return an estimate of cost to the Council, provided said cost of sewerage construction shall be borne by the petitioner. Received and filed.

#### DON'T WANT A POLICE MATRON.

In the matter of the petition of the Rev. R. G. McNiece and others asking for the appointment of a police matron, the committee on police reported that they did not think it advisable to recommend the appointment at the present, as the city did not have suitable rooms and other necessary accommodations for such persons. Adopted.

#### SIMONDI GETS ECONOMICAL.

Simondi then took the floor and moved that the vote whereby an appropriation of \$1778.19 was made to complete the Eagle Gate be reconsidered. He said he was not in favor of giving any such amount for the purpose for which it was given. He was busy he said, when the matter passed and therefore said nothing in regard to it. He thought that the parties most directly interested in the improvement should foot the bill and not the city.

Hardy—Did you vote on the proposition, Mr. Simondi?

Simondi—No, I did not.

Hardy—Then you cannot move to reconsider now.

The chair—The point is well taken. However, I would like very much to have the motion reconsidered as I think the amount appropriated exorbitant.

Simondi and Looftsbourow only were antagonistic to the appropriation which was accordingly left unchanged.

The following communication was received from the city auditor and after a good deal of discussion referred to the city attorney:

To the Honorable President and City Council:

Gentlemen—I herewith return for your further action bill of sewerage department against the Utah Central railway, the amount of which I was instructed by your honorable body to withhold from warrant No. 7924 for \$487.51 issued in their favor on October 28, 1892. The railway company refused to allow the amount of the city's bill to be deducted. I also enclose for your action writs of execution against the Utah Central railway in favor of J. C. Smith, Alonzo Wallace, Henry Hully and E. C. Coffin Hardware company. Also one against John A. Davenport, policeman, in favor of Louis Bazarot.

#### COAL WEIGHMASTERS.

An ordinance providing for the appointment and regulating the duties of