

COUNTY COURT MATTERS.

Selectman Morris recommended that R. L. Conely and J. E. Lynch be employed to correct the maps and plates for the assessor and collector for 1893 at 50 cents per hour each, as per their bid. Adopted.

The county physician reported patients in the city hospitals as follows: St. Mary's 1; Deseret, 1; total 2. Filed.

Road Supervisor McDonald of District No. 5 reported that a barbed wire fence was being constructed on the old county road south of the city, making the road less than three rods wide. Filed.

Ann Elmer complained that a county road east of the Penitentiary had been recently fenced up, and asked that it be reopened. Referred to Selectmen Cahoon and Morris.

The clerk was instructed to furnish justices of the Peace with necessary blanks for criminal process.

The applications of Erickson & Nelsen of Sandy, Allen Hall of Binglam Junction, and Nelson & Pruder at Fifth East street and South Boulevard for liquor licenses were granted and bonds approved.

The following resolution was adopted:

Whereas, Certain parties have been depositing night soil, offal and other refuse matter upon and along the public highways immediately south of the city, therefore be it

Resolved, That the names of these parties be given to the county attorney and he instructed to prosecute them to the full extent of the law.

ABOUT THE ASSESSMENT ROLL.

The following additional resolution was also adopted:

Whereas, William J. Lynch, the assessor of Salt Lake county, Utah Territory, has upon this twenty-sixth day of June, 1893, duly made return of the assessment roll of said county for the year 1893, and has delivered the same to the County court of said county as provided by law, be it

Resolved, by the said County court; First—That the said roll be and is hereby received.

Second—That this court sit as a board of equalization to equalize the assessment borne upon said roll and to hear complaints concerning the same as provided by law from the tenth day of August, 1893, to the 21st day of said month, both days included, and that during the said period, Sundays excepted, said board sit daily from 10 o'clock a.m. to 12 m. and from 2 o'clock p.m. to 4 p.m. for said purposes.

Third—That there be and is hereby levied and ordered to be collected in the manner provided by law, a tax at the rate of three mills on the dollar for county purposes of said Salt Lake county, and a tax at the rate of two mills on the dollar for district school purposes in said county, on each dollar of assessed value upon all the taxable property within said county as the same is set forth upon the assessment roll.

Fourth—That said roll is hereby delivered to the county clerk of the county for the extension of the taxes thereon as provided by law. Be it further

Resolved, That the clerk of the court be and is hereby instructed to forthwith notify the territorial board of equalization of Utah Territory that the assessment roll of Salt Lake county has been delivered as aforesaid, and is subject to the inspection of said board. Be it fur-

Resolved, That the county clerk notify the Mayor and City Council of Salt Lake City that the assessment roll of Salt Lake county has been delivered, and that said City Council be requested to make their levy for city purposes at the earliest possible day; also be it

Resolved, That the Mayor and City Council be notified of the adoption of this resolution, and that the said County court will sit as a board of equalization as hereinbefore stated.

George M. Cannon was granted a franchise to maintain and operate watermain, pipes, valves and necessary appurtenances for the distribution of water for all purposes in Forest Dale addition. The latter place takes in a part of blocks 43 and 44, ten-acre plat A, and the entire area amounts to 320 acres, lying northeast of the city. The franchise continues for a period of twenty-five years, under the usual provisions.

A resolution was adopted providing that the probate judge deliver a quit claim deed to Wells Clark for certain property sold for taxes.

Selectman Bamberger reported that the bid of Kelly & Co. for the county printing for 1893 was the lowest of the two bids received, and recommended that the contract be awarded them upon the filing of a bond in the sum of \$2000. Adopted.

Selectman Morris offered a resolution providing that the city authorities be urged to repair all bridges crossing the Jordan and the Salt Lake canal in the southern portion of the city, which was adopted.

It was decided to hold another session of the court on Saturday afternoon for the purpose of fixing the salaries of all county officers.

METHODISM IN UTAH.

Before the final adjournment Monday of the Methodist Episcopal conference which has been in session in this city for several days past, the following report was read and adopted:

For another year's hard-earned victories, we give God thanks.

Amid the rapid changes in material, political and intellectual affairs, it is not always easy to see our way clearly marked, but trusting in a wise Providence and following in the footsteps of our Christ, Methodism still advances.

We have not been able to report to the world the Utah pentecost which we believe is coming.

While Mormonism has the same name, it is not the Mormonism of Brigham Young. There is no church and state, and while some would go back to the old regime, enough have tasted the sweetness of liberty, that we believe the authority of the priesthood can never trammel them as in the past.

With these reformation come new responsibilities and opportunities. Ignorance is the mother of all superstition, and we believe that a cure for ignorance will solve the vexed problem of "How to save Utah."

In rural places there is extreme illiteracy, which is being overcome by our schools.

We regret exceedingly that the idea has gone out that we are ready to abandon our rural schools; no greater mistake could be made. Better do without a pastor in such places than teacher and schools. We not only need to continue those schools now in operation, but re-establish all that have been abandoned which are out of reach of Christian communities.

The situation at large remains an unsolved problem; party lines have been drawn, a warm political campaign, a war of words has been waged, and the independence of thought, speech and action therein displayed has brought a measure of foreboding to the church leaders. Other political campaigns are before us.

While our first duty is to Jesus Christ and His gospel, we believe that unswerving loyalty to our country demands that we shall neglect no opportunity to teach patriotism to those with whom we are called to labor, to Americanize as well as Christianize the youth of Utah.

Our Territorial free school system is proving a grand success, and with increased educational facilities and contact with extraneous influences, intelligence is making rapid strides.

With increased intelligence is coming, as it must, loss of faith and respect for the Mormon dogmas.

When these go out there will come in an overwhelming flood of infidelity and skepticism, the evil results of which are to be counteracted only by the gospel of Jesus Christ.

As a result of these changing conditions of which the future promises more and greater, we are brought face to face with the fact that our strength is not sufficient for them.

We must lean upon our God, who is greater than all difficulties and stronger than all opposition.

Unswerving faith, singleness of purpose and sanctified common sense will enable us to plant the banner of the cross during the year before us in the very stronghold of iniquity and make full proof of our ministry. M. O. BILLINGS, H. A. JONES.

REFRACTORY WHEAT.

WILLARD, Utah, June 23.—Although the incident I am about to relate occurred some eight or ten years ago, I believe that it has never been in print. As I consider it somewhat unusual and hard to believe, notwithstanding there is evidence enough to convince the most skeptical, I take the liberty to give it.

A crowd of people had assembled to enjoy themselves in a slugging practice, when a rather mischievous boy began handing wheat around. In performing this pleasant task he threw a handful in the face of a young lady, who threw up her hand and rubbed her eye. Nothing more was thought of it until several hours later, when three kernels of wheat were taken from her eye. From that time for a month the wheat continued to come usually two kernels at a time, until nineteen kernels were taken out. Two kernels which had been in three weeks, were sprouted, and were the only ones causing pain. The last two kernels, taken out just thirty days after they were thrown in, were solid. Not much pain was experienced, the girl having to remain from school only one week. Flaxseed was the only remedy used. One night seven of these were put into the eye, and during the night they seemed to have formed an alliance, for the next morning four of them appeared, tugging the culprit for which they were sent. In coming out the course of the wheat was from the inner corner, around under the upper lid to the outer corner, thence under the lower lid to the inner corner. O. J. CALL.

Pima county, Ariz., has sold 6500 head of beef cattle from \$9.50 to \$12 per head during the past month.