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DYNAMITE FIENDS.

The French Chamber of Deputies the Scene of Wild Panic.

A BOMB THROWN AND EXPLODED.

Several Persons Reported Killed or Injured.—The Utmost Excitement in the City.

PARIS, Dec. 8.—A dynamite bomb has exploded in the vestibule of the chamber of deputies. Deputies Lemyrede, Willers and one of the notable deputies, and the attendant are reported killed. Report says one or more additional deputies were killed or injured.

FURTHER PARTICULARS.

PARIS, Dec. 8.—The explosion occurred this afternoon. When the chamber was in session, but, as the proceedings were very uninteresting, the galleries were not crowded. Suddenly from the right gallery, some sort of a bomb was thrown, exploding in the midst of the deputies, causing a scene of the greatest confusion and panic. It is impossible to get the exact details at present as the police at once closed all the doors to the chamber, and refused to allow any one to pass in or out, until the investigation was concluded. Still it is said that Deputy Lemyre and one of the attendants were killed and a number wounded. One report is that the deputy killed was not Lemyre De Vilers, but a socialist deputy of a similar name. The utmost excitement prevails throughout the city.

It was 4 p. m. when the bomb was thrown. The ladies fled shrieking from the gallery. Burton Trafton, a newspaper man, was badly wounded in the head.

LATER REPORT.

The halls of the chamber of deputies are still filled with affrighted people and it is impossible to learn the extent of the damage, as the police have drawn a cordon about the building and allow no details to reach the public. Nevertheless the rumors of the police that anybody was killed it is believed that two deputies are dead and many wounded, but the probabilities are that the police statement is correct, though doubtless a number of deputies are wounded. Among those are mentioned Dumas, deputy from Aisne. It is said the bomb was filled with slugs, which were thrown in all directions, some going into the galleries. The police have arrested a number of persons who were in the galleries at the time. One is said to be the man who threw the bomb. President Dupuy is said to have behaved with the utmost coolness, doing much to allay the panic.

NOBODY KILLED.

When quiet was somewhat restored it was discovered that nobody was killed and Dupuy called the chamber to order. Part of the deputies obeyed the summons. Dupuy rose and said as calmly as if nothing had happened: "Such attempts should not disconcert this chamber. I invite you to continue your discussion with calmness. Watch the order of the day has been dealt with the proper officials will do their duty.

A SOCIALIST WOUNDED.

The deputy seriously wounded is not Lemyre de Vilers, but a Socialist deputy, Abbe Le Moire, who is seriously wounded in the neck.

In the midst of indescribable commotion the verification of the deputies was resumed. Meantime the wounded deputies were removed to the anterooms, attended by physicians.

Deputy Le Mesre, though severely hurt, will probably recover. At least a score of persons in the tribunes and galleries were wounded badly enough to require medical aid. They suffered all sorts of wounds and the anterooms presented a sanguinary appearance. Among the wounded were a number of women. The walls in many places in the neighborhood of the explosion were splashed with blood.

It is now believed the man who threw the bomb escaped and that he was wounded, that the bomb exploded as it left his hand, which accounts for the number wounded in the galleries. Had it fallen among the deputies of the right, for whom it was doubtless intended, numbers of them must have been killed.

A number of journalists are more or less wounded. Scattered about on the floor were many pieces of iron resembling nail heads.

Soon after the chamber was called to order Premier Casemarperier addressed the tribune, congratulated the chamber on having adopted the action of Dupuy adding, "The chamber has done its duty and the government will do the same." (Cheers.)

GONE OUT OF EXISTENCE.

The Civil Service Organization of Department Clerks.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The Civil Service association, an organization of clerks in the treasury department has gone out of existence. Its object was to extend the civil service as much as possible. While the new administration showed no active opposition to the scheme, it is said that the official season after Secretary Carlisle came into power, made it plain that they wished no such organization to exist. The association sent a petition to the President asking that chiefs of divisions be compelled to submit to civil service examinations the same as the clerks. The President, it is said, paid no attention to it.

Choices in Townsite.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—A dispatch from Townsite reports that the island is greatly alarmed over the cholera epidemic there; all visitors are leaving.

Cleveland's Hawaiian Policy.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—Neither the foreign office nor the Hawaiian representative have any advices concerning Hawaii from Auckland. An Associated Press representative showed Ambassador Bayard its advices from Auckland. After reading it he said: "President Cleveland will deal with

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the week Hawaiian in the most magnanimous manner and will not force on them a government which they had not a full chance to discuss."

Regarding the dispatches published here today, indicating that Cleveland has sent instructions to Hawaii reversing his policy there, Bayard said: "There can be no reversal of a policy based simply on justice and magnanimity. Cleveland's policy is one of nonintervention. He has not an intention of entering the islands and overturning the government. The policy of the United States toward Hawaii is not a secret and on the contrary, Cleveland's intention is that no advantage shall be taken of the weakness of the queen's party and that the queen shall have full and fair chance to get on her feet." It possible, the Hawaiian native autonomy has been so weakened by late events that I hardly know whether the Hawaiians can avail themselves of the offer of the President to restore the queen to the throne."

The Associated Press representative in Liverpool learns that T. P. Davis, the guardian of Princess Kaiulani, is now in Hawaii and has gone on the continent. The latest news from Davis confirms the Associated Press advices from Auckland.

Will Organize a Belt.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Friends of Governor Lee here are endeavoring to organize a movement against the confirmation of Martin for the United States senate by the Virginia legislature last night, and by consolidation of the full Populist in the Republican vote in the legislature secure Lee's election.

Gladstone Better.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—Gladstone is much better today.

On a Charge of Conspiracy.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 8.—W. L. Bates, chairman of the Republican central committee, has been released on a charge of conspiracy to unlawfully land Chinese. The indictment was returned last night and made public today.

TO DESTROY A MONUMENT.

Three Canadians on Trial for a Peculiar Offense.

MONTREAL, Dec. 8.—The hearing in the case of three young French Canadians, one of whom is the son of ex-Premier Mercier, for attempting to blow up the Nelson monument was resumed this morning. A chemist testified that there was enough dynamite in the cartridge found on them to destroy the monument. The hearing was adjourned for one week to allow of an analysis of the cap and primer of the cartridge.

A Bank Robbed.

DALLAS, TEX., Dec. 8.—The Plano National Bank, 120 miles north of here, was robbed by burglars last night. The robbery is supposed to be committed by the Dalton gang. They received from six to eight thousand dollars.

GOV. WAITE IN PERIL.

The Denver "News" Threatens Him With the Rope.

DENVER, Dec. 9.—The *News* says if Governor Waite calls an extra session of the legislature to forward his silver scheme, he will be impeached for his action in a penitentiary matter.

Over An Embankment.

EL PASO, TEX., Dec. 8.—It is reported that the entire southern passenger train went over a high embankment at Lordsburg, N. M.

From Brazil.

BUENOS AYRES, Dec. 9.—Advices from Rio Janeiro: The Brazilian government has captured the insurgent general's depot at Armazem.

Killed During a Quarrel.

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 9.—Frank Miller, living on a ranch near Horr Park county, last Thursday killed his brother, D. J. Miller, commonly called "Bax," during a quarrel. Frank has surrendered himself to the authorities.

CHANDLER'S EXPEDITION.

Discouraging News From An American Explorer.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—The Royal Geographical society has received news of the expedition headed by the American explorer W. Astor Chandler, who started out to ascend Mount Kenia, the great mountain of equatorial Africa. The expedition was stranded near the equator, waiting for porters, donkeys and goods to arrive from the coast. The messengers had been gone four months, and it was doubtful if they would ever reach him. His animals died of the plague, including 150 donkeys and fifteen camels.

Supposed Work of Tramps.

EL PASO, TEX., Dec. 8.—It is supposed that the work done on the Southern Pacific near Lordsburg, N. M., is the work of the tramps collected there yesterday. An Associated Press correspondent carried a dispatch to the effect that there are 155 tramps at Lordsburg, who threatened to wreck the passenger trains unless the Pacific Pacific included in a strike notice. Tramps from Deming to freight trains.

At Ogden.

Ogden Sun: This morning Mrs. Bergman, sister to John W. Meisnil of this city, and child, arrived from the north. About a week ago Mrs. Bergman, her husband and three children were living in a snow cabin, the husband and two of the children were killed and she herself and the infant were rescued when about dead. Finally, after being buried in the snow for nearly six hours. Mrs. Bergman is still very weak from the effects of her terrible experience.

Under False Pretenses.

W. A. S. say, an employment agent, was arrested by the police today on a charge of getting money under false pretenses.

H. H. Phelps, a second hand dealer, was arrested on a charge of violating the ordinance governing business of the class in which he is engaged, by purchasing a stolen watch from a boy named Kirk, now in the city jail.

IN A DILEMMA.

An Action Brought by the Trustees of the Fillmore School District.

In the Third district court today suit was brought by A. A. Jones, William Hood and H. P. Boines, trustees of the Fillmore school district, Beaver county, against James H. Grow, William H. Chase and W. H. Conner. It is alleged that in October, 1891, plaintiffs entered into an agreement with the defendants whereby Grow was to erect and complete, according to certain plans and specifications, a school building in the Fillmore district at a cost of $1500. It was to be completed by December 1st, 1891. The moneys paid by plaintiffs to the defendant Grow were to be paid to Chase, and by him to the various material men and laborers who worked for Grow on the building. It is then set forth that the defendants executed a bond to plaintiffs, agreeing to guarantee the faithful performance of the agreement and the completion of the building by Grow, in the sum of $1500. Grow, however, they say, has failed to perform his part of the contract, and on Dec. 1st, 1892, notified plaintiffs that he would have to abandon the contract. By reason of his failure and delay of Grow, plaintiffs have suffered damage to the amount of $500. Since the formation of the contract plaintiffs have paid to W. H. Chase, on account of Grow, the sum of $500, but Chase has not, they say, paid the same to the laboring or material men, and has wrongfully detained the moneys. On account of the failure the plaintiffs are threatened with the filing of liens upon their property, whereby they will lose at least $500. Therefore plaintiffs demand judgment in $500 on the bonds of contract, $500 for money alleged to be due to pay material men and others, and $150 for attorney's fee.

Daniel Harrington is attorney for the plaintiffs.

ON THE WAY TO SAN SALVADOR

United States Consul Pollock of Salt Lake Unable to Return to this City, as Expected.

A. L. Pollock, the ex Salt Lake editor, appointed United States consul to San Salvador by President Cleveland, will not return to this city from Washington as was expected. Mr. Pollock, so information just received here states, ascertained when he arrived in the capital that under the law it was necessary for him to reach his destination and begin his duties within one week after taking the oath of office. This caused a change of program and he was compelled to go via New York from where he will take steamer in place of returning across the continent, stopping over in San Francisco, getting business matters before going to San Francisco to set sail from that point. He is now on his way to San Salvador. The voyage from New York in ordinary weather requires six days while from San Francisco seventeen days, would be consumed.

Mr. Pollock is accompanied by his family.

Today's Probate Court.

In the matter of the estate of John L. Blythe, deceased. Continued till Wednesday, Dec. 13th.

Estate of Marcus R. Wyker, deceased. Hearing on petition for probate of will, and the same was allowed. S. Louise Wyker appointed administratrix without bonds.

Estate of Elizabeth Very, deceased. Hearing on final account and petition for distribution allowed.

Church University Theological Class

This class, Dr. J. E. Talmage instructor, will hold its regular session tomorrow at the Assembly hall, 12:30 p. m. Printed outlines will be distributed at the door. All are cordially invited.

Suit For Divorce.

Hulda Engquist filed suit for divorce in the Third district court this morning against her husband, August Engquist, on the ground of failure to support. The parties intermarried at Stockholm, Sweden, on December 25th, 1876, and the wife has resided in Salt Lake since October, 1891. She alleges that her husband has not provided for her for more than two and a half years past (he being now temporarily in Sweden) and asks that in addition to the sacred ties thus sought to be restored to her—Hulda Lindstrom.

M. Marcellus Nelson is the plaintiff's attorney.

Edwards Is Out.

Arthur Ernest Edwards, former manager at the White House, has been released from the penitentiary, having given the $500 bond required by Judge Barich. The bond was approved by Commissioner Greenman. Edwards, it will be remembered, was recently tried in the Third district court for embezzlement. The jury disagreed and the defendant is now awaiting his second trial.

THE CALL ISSUED.

The Special Election Will Be Held on January 4th.

POLITICAL LEADERS AT WORK.

Arrangements Being Made for Conventions Next Week.—A Short Campaign.

The anxiously awaited call from Governor West for a special election for the purpose of filling the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. Clarence W. Hall has been issued, and political leaders are commencing to turn their sails accordingly.

A member of the Republican city committee in conversing with a *News* representative on the subject this afternoon said: "Our committee have got the matter in hand but we have only been waiting for the Governor to issue the proclamation. Now that he has acted in the premises our committee will meet on Monday next and decide when and where our convention will be held—probably in the Theater on a date that we will agree upon when we get together. We propose to make it the largest convention of the kind ever held in this city. It will consist of 250 delegates divided among the various precincts as follows: First, 50; Second, 20; Third, 30; Fourth, 50; Fifth, 50."

An effort—believed to be comparatively easy—will be made to take to all Liberal Republicans and carry out the idea of a straight party ticket.

The Democrats, too, are beginning to get into shape for the coming contest, though they are not yet as far along with the work as their Republican brethren. It was said today, however, the Democratic county committee would probably meet within the next three or four days and appoint an executive committee to take charge of the campaign and place it on a vigorous case.

The Governor's proclamation is as follows:

PROCLAMATION.

TERRITORY OF UTAH, } ss.
County of Salt Lake. }

To All to Whom These Presents Shall Come, Greeting:

Know ye, that whereas Clarence W. Hall, late of Salt Lake City, was member of the House of Representatives of the Legislative Assembly of this Territory, and in and for the Fifth Representative district thereof, and

Whereas, on the second day of December, 1893, the said Clarence W. Hall departed this life, thereby causing a vacancy in said office—

Therefore, I, Caleb W. West, Governor of the Territory of Utah, do hereby issue in the requirements of law, in such case made and provided, do hereby call an election to be held within and for the said Fifth Representative district of this Territory, on Thursday, the Fourth day of January, 1894, for the purpose of filling such vacancy.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of said Territory to be affixed. (SEAL.)

Done at Salt Lake City, this Ninth day of December, A. D. 1893, and of the Independence of the United States the One hundred and eighteenth.

CALEB W. WEST.

By the Governor:

CHARLES C. RICHARDS,
Secretary of Utah Territory.

Monday Night Lecture.

Professor Geo. H. Brimhall, of the B. Y. academy at Provo, will deliver a practical lecture on the use of the Y. M. M. I. A. Manual, in the Fourteenth Ward assembly hall on Monday, December 11th, at 7:30 p. m. Subjects to be treated are as follows: Introduction, Church History—Lesson 10, Founding of Nauvoo. Civil Government—Lesson 5, The Confederation.

It is desired that each association of this stake be fully represented at the position and that all members come prepared to take part in questions on the subjects to be treated upon. The musical exercises will be furnished by the Sixteenth ward M. I. A. Glee club.

Primary Conference.

The quarterly conference of the Primary association of the Salt Lake stake will be held Saturday, December 16th, at the Assembly hall, at 10 a. m. The subjects of the various wards will be, "The Life of Christ, Prayer and Faith."

All interested are invited to attend; there will be but one session.

MRS. E. C. CLAWSON,
President.

For Charitable Purposes.

A fair under the auspices of Scandinavian ladies will be held in the Fourteenth ward assembly rooms on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, Dec. 13 and 14. The proceeds will be devoted to the Scandinavian meetings, and to the poor. A great number of valuable presents have been donated, and these will be given away during the two evenings. The entrance fee is only 25 cents and this gives a chance to receive one present. There will also be music, both vocal and instrumental.

A Remarkable Comparison.

In the great hall of Cooper Union, New York, on Saturday night, November 18th, Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott, the distinguished pastor of Plymouth church, delivered a most interesting lecture on "The Parliament of Religions." He said it was a great wonderful gathering; some like it but never taken place, and no country was so fitting for it as this, he briefly outlined the chief occurrences in the history of America which made such a congress possible and narrated that men should have chosen it as Christianity sole by sign with Paganism, to such an occasion.

"Why," said the speaker, "every day

[illegible] Fair, I walked by the station at the New York Central railroad company, with its monster engine and peaceful drawing-room cars. Night has to do with this wonderful locomotive. But the first railway train, with its primitive engine, with a boiler carrying larger fire in a tea-kettle, and its old coaches. The great railroads show did not lose by contrast, neither did Christianity at the Religious Congress."

NUGGETS OF GOLD.

They Were Made from Jewelry and Led to the Arrest of Two Men.

City Detective Hardy last evening arrested Joe Hamlin and Sylvest Langendorf after several days of quiet note taking and observation. The prisoners are both young men with shady reputations and were found in a township attempting to sell a miscellaneous collection of gold nuggets for the sum of $20.

When the men were taken to the police station and searched there was found on their persons in addition to the nuggets, numerous fragments of jewelry. Hamlin declares that he made the nuggets from jewelry that he had purchased in small pieces. But the police expect to prove that it was stolen. The case was to come up before Justice Gee this afternoon. Hamlin stoll was lives on Fourth south street was released on his own recognizance.

COUNTY TEACHERS MEET.

Prof. Marshall, an Advocate of the Maxim "Make Haste Slowly."—Paper by Miss Brotherton.

The regular meeting of the county teachers occurred at the Utah University building today, and was called to order by County Superintendent D. H. Allen.

Prof. O. M. Marshall of the Utah University gave a very interesting lecture as to the method of teaching grammar in the schools. He emphasized the importance of the teacher confining himself to one of the important educational maxims: "Make haste slowly, especially at the beginning."

If the subject is taught by first making the two important elements of a sentence, as the noun and the verb predicated, the other parts of speech will come in natural sequence, and may be taught as their importance requires. The teacher must present concrete truths, instead of including too much of the abstract. Were this important branch taught as its importance demands, the boiling on the part of those who oppose it in the school curriculum would pass away. After the parts of speech and their properties have been presented, elementary composition and analysis will follow. Of the different authors upon technical grammar and analysis, the speaker commended Kerl's Common School Grammar as a book of reference, and Reed and Kellogg, because of the prominence made to analysis and diagramming.

An elementary outline of the method of diagramming was presented on the board, and its salient points brought out. Prof. Marshall also spoke upon the matter of teaching false syntax, stating that when this method of teaching correct expression is ignored the cream of the work is lost. A discussion then followed the lecture, in which the construction of sentences and the relations of words to each other were considered.

Miss Brotherton, of the Utah University, then read a paper upon the subject of drawing. She dwelt upon the great utility of this branch and its close relation to other studies. She illustrated her subject by drawing upon the board, and by charts and maps, which explains very forcibly the subject in hand. Relief maps were presented to the teachers, being required through a series of drawings, in which plains, mountains, forms of water, volcanoes, coral islands, trees, etc., were brought in view. The lecture was highly appreciated, and was attentively listened to.

Visiting the Capital.

Judge Shields of Park City and Judge Dusenberry of Provo were among the visitors in the capital today. Both are here on official business and both were callers at the office of Territorial Secretary Richards.

THE MAYOR APPEALED TO.

The Colmer Jennings Company Protest Against Being Unjustly Dealt With.

The following is a copy of a letter sent to Mayor Baskin today:

HON. E. N. BASKIN, Mayor:

Dear Sir—We learn to our surprise that it is contemplated to disbarm a large amount of city supply today, for labor performed in November, which we are unable to secure payment for our work done in October for and for a considerable period prior to that.

We pay our agents (not to exceed in our employ who have been waiting to be paid for their work, and also on our own behalf, and we appeal to your honor the you stand between us and this great wrong.

We may endeavor to be patient while the city is undecided, but when it becomes either and discriminates against us and our creditors we must submit.

We remain respectfully yours,

COLMER JENNINGS PAYING CO.

COURT CIRCLES AT REAVER.

Record Official Changes—A Hell Term.—Finishing Up.

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS FROM OUR REPORTER.

BEAVER, UTAH, Dec. 8.—Official lightning which has been held in suspense so long and which has been the cause of so much complaint hereabout, has struck at last as shown by the official presence of two Democratic deputy marshals, replacing McGarry and Law. There only remains now of the previous Republican regime but one officer, Assistant U. S. Attorney McCarty, but he will probably disappear shortly after the holidays.

So far the present has been the slowest and most drawing term of court in Beaver county. There have been two minor contempt proceedings and no convictions. The Hines case against Jailer Jones, of yesterday, was dismissed by the defendant pleading guilty to use the waterline on the prisoners. One more grand larceny case is on tap today. People vs. Rowe.

The news will be brought in a close next week.

THE NEW DIRECTOR.

The following is from the Chronicle of this date, about the appointment of the new of additional director for this district. H. Dixon is the whom Joseph L. Kaw consulted his appointment not meeting so well United Judge Zane may nominate for this district. John Fechser has also been appointed by Nat M. Brigham. It is not certain whether these appointments are merely additional to the terms of whatever they are to take the place of the present incumbents.

Haney is the deputy district clerk here. It is mentioned, however, that McGarry will land on till the new men qualify at least.

Consolidation Rich Out Again.

Consolidation Rich was so narrowly escaped death in the street car and locomotive collision two weeks ago. Was on the streets again today.

THE GROESBECK MATTER.

Hearing Had on the Order to Show Cause, this Morning.

The Negotiation of the Company to Obtain a $250,000 Loan is Strongly Opposed.

The hearing on an order to show cause in the suit brought by the First National Bank of Deadwood, South Dakota, against the Groesbeck company, Heine M. Morgan, John Morgan, Josephine Groesbeck, John H. Smith, Nicholas H. Groesbeck, John A. Groesbeck, Samuel S. Groesbeck, Wm. Groesbeck, Hyrum Groesbeck, and Joseph S. Groesbeck, was called up in Judge Zane's court after the disposal of the ordinary motions this morning.

On motion of counsel the First National Bank of Park City was now made a party defendant.

The plaintiffs were represented by Attorneys E. R. Critchlow and W. C. Hall; the defendants by Attorney Arthur Brown.

The complaint was filed on November 24th last, and the substance thereof appeared in these columns at that time.

By the proceedings taken it is sought to have a decree of the court adjudging that the action of the board of directors of the Groesbeck company on August 25, 1893, in declaring a stock dividend, and all acts of the officers and agents, are null and void; that every defendant holding any shares of stock under the dividend be compelled to surrender the same, that they be cancelled, and in case any shares of said stock have been sold, the money be recovered that the value thereof be ascertained and the defendant directors compelled to respond in damages. It was also prayed that the defendants be restrained from encumbering the property of the company by mortgage, deed of trust or otherwise, pending the hearing, and in accordance with this latter prayer Judge Zane at the time said, washington granted a temporary restraining order.

The statement of counsel for the plaintiff was to the effect that between the 1st day of December, 1892, and 1st day of February, 1893, they loaned to certain of the stockholders of the defendant company large sums of money and that they took as collateral security 1,152 of the 12,000 shares of the said company's capital stock, which the defendants represented as being worth $25 per share. That since February, 1893, by various wrongful and injurious acts on the part of the directors and officers of the company, the capital has been wasted and impaired and converted to private use, and that the business of the company has been unprofitable to such an extent that the shares are not now worth more than $15 each. It is further asserted that John A. Groesbeck, president of the company, was permitted by the directors about January 1st, 1893, to convert to his own use seventy shares of the capital stock of the First National Bank of Salt Lake City, to the value of $10,500, such stock being a part of the assets of the Groesbeck company, whereas the directors knew that he was wholly insolvent. It is also alleged that on August 23rd the board of directors of the company met and declared a dividend (125,000 per cent per share, and that 250 shares of stock were wrongfully contracted as payment to the stockholders of the dividend mentioned, when in the said case the company had no assets and was possessed of no property in excess of its capital stock of $300,000, being compelled to borrow $500, and that the so-called stock dividend was declared and paid on front of the rights and interests of creditors. It is therein claimed that the officers and directors are now negotiating to obtain a loan to the tune of $250,000, and that they intend giving a mortgage or deed of trust on their real estate to secure the same, when in fact to remove assets for borrowing over 175,000. It is to prevent this that the proceedings are taken.

The defendants put in a complete answer to the complaint.

The hearing will occupy all day. Up to noon very little testimony has been made.

School Election Returns.

The official canvass of the recent school election returns will be made by Territorial Secretary Richards within a few days, upon orders from the Utah Commission.

FIVE CENT RIDES

That is What Residents of the Annex Will Probably Soon Get.

RAPID TRANSIT'S NEW FRANCHISE.

It Will Enable the Company to Issue Twenty-Four Rides for Improvement Purposes.

For the last two years or thereabouts the residents of the second annex to the city north and east of Liberty Park having been clamoring for a five cent fare from the Rapid Transit Street Railway company and frequently petitioned the City Council for relief in the matter but unfortunately for them they failed to get what they so emphatically asked for and so much needed.

It is said that all things come to those who wait and if present indications are not deceptive, the petitioners will soon experience the full force of that saying with beneficial results. The Rapid Transit company now has before the City Council an ordinance on its third reading, repealing and confirming certain resolutions and ordinances granting franchises to itself, the Pepperton Park and Fort Douglas Rapid Transit and East South Street Railway companies, and amending the same.

This new franchise is acted partly for the reason that there have been constant disputes and difficulties to continue between the company and city regarding the duties and obligations of the former to the latter in regard to the payment of the special car and per capita tax levied upon it.

The trouble has arisen from the fact that the company's franchises were not uniform inasmuch as some instances per capita tax was annually exacted by the city on the gross earnings of the road and in others a levy of $25 per car was made. The difficulty in adjusting this tax will be made plain by the following citation: For instance, when a passenger gets on a car several blocks beyond the city limits, he rides over a part of a county franchise for which no kind of tax is collected, crosses the municipal boundary line and comes toward town over the Seventh South street line where the $25 tax is applied and then completes his journey on State street to the business district where a per capita tax is enforced under the franchise.

This complex state of affairs has long annoyed the city officials and the officers of the company and has puzzled Treasurer Duke in the adjustment and collection of the tax beyond measure. It has been an utter impossibility to clearly and satisfactorily segregate the two kinds of tax.

In order to set aside this and other incongruous features the company asks that all of its franchises be merged into one extending over a period of 25 years from the first day of December 1893, subject to terms, restrictions and limitations to be agreed upon. The company claims that this extension will be of almost infinite benefit to them. At present their franchises are good for only seventeen years more and of course prevents them from doing what they are very anxious to do—have twenty-year bonds for the extension, improvement and equipment of their lines. Should they secure their new franchise they will be able to issue such bonds and have a margin of five years on which to work.

In consideration of the new franchise the company promises to pay to the city an annual tax of $50 on each car in service and sell five cent fare tickets to all points on the Ninth and Eleventh East street lines as far south as Eighteenth South street. This would give the residents of the Annex and vicinity great relief. The company, however, reserves to itself the right of charging a ten cent fare to that point from all transients, or those who do not buy a book.

FOR LACK OF A QUORUM.

The Council Adjourned Early and Caused Nerves to Declare There Was a Nigger in the Woodpile.

If the regular order of municipal events had been carried out last night there would have been a special meeting of the City Council. As it was no business was transacted.

When the retiring solons at Tuesday night's session stated themselves for another meeting this week there were those who wondered what it meant as the table was practically clear. The only thing of importance in the recorder's wallet was the gravity over contract vetoes message by the Mayor.

At 8 o'clock—thirty minutes after commencement time—Horn moved that Councilman Lynn take the chair. The motion received no second and the mover declared that he was tired of frittering away time and wanted to get down to business. Five minutes later Roland was called to the chair. The roll call showed that there was no quorum present, the following only responding to their names: Pelton, Hardy, Hodge, Horn, Evans, Lynn, Lawson—7.

Member Stanton explained that Councilmen Lynn had filed his bond and taken the oath of office as prescribed by law and was therefore a qualified member. This did not prove of immediate benefit, as testimony to the records showed the fact that it required another councilman to make a quorum. A motion to adjourn until Tuesday night was seconded, and after which Motch wondered in and pretended to be very much perturbed and surprised when he was informed of what had occurred. He thought it looked very much like a case of soap lodgment and was quite certain that there was a nigger in the wood pile. There was altogether too much method in such madness and he proposed to probe the thing to the bottom.