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The Remedy is at Hand and Officials Are Only Asked to Do Their Duty.

MASS MEETING HELD. BIG The Evil of the Stockade is Pointed Out and Will be Taken to

Polls if Necessary.

The mass meeting last evening at the Fifteenth ward chapel, held to protest egainst the "stockade," was attended by about 200 representative citizens, the majority was from the west side, ome were noticed in the crowd phose homes are east of Main street, The principal speakers were James W Ure, B. F. Grant and Lon J. Haddock, all of whom criticized the mayor and city council for permitting the stockade to exist after it had been proved that it is not restricting the vice. The speeches met with approval from the meeting as the frequent bursts of applause from the audience indicated. Two resolutions, one to the mayor and city council and the other to the gover-nor and attorney-general were adopted unanimously by the meeting, requesting the abolition of the "stockade."

the abolition of the "stockade." E. C. Ashton, who was chairman of the meeting, in his opening speech, said, among other things, that the "stock-ade" does not stockade, because al-though the women are alike in the vice they are not alike in their tastes and amany will not go in the stockade. From the foul nest of vice in the stockade, broods may be expected everywhere throughout the city and state where conditions are favorable. He assert-ed that if the traffic is fostered any-where it will increase everywhere, and where it will increase everywhere, and compared it to snakegrass in the gar-den, the roots of which travel from the main root under the surface to rethe main root under the surface to re-appear at a distance. It was out-rageous that public officials should countenance such things contrary to law. The mayor does not shape the public policy. That is done in the city council and the legislature. It is his duty to execute the laws, and it was to present resolutions to that effect that the meeting was called.

WANT LAWS ENFORCED.

James W. Ure said that while prosbe made so hard for those engaging in the vice that it would be greatly re-suricted. He compared it to theiving, which does not cease to exist, but is lessened, because the laws against it us arfored. That is what the people are enforced. That is what the people want with regard to the stockade. They are asking for an enforcement of the laws.

He also referred with contempt to the shareholders of the Citizens' Inthe shareholders of the Citizens' In-vestment company, who could receive such ill-gotten grains, and fired a hot shot at the police officers who had been seen walking in the company of the women. He said that the mayor and city council have been approached in vain on the matter, and the people proposed now to take effective steps to enlist the support of the honorable people of the city. They were fighting not as weat siders, but as citizens of Sait Lake City without respect to lo-cality, and he assured his hearers that there are as many of the east sido there are as many of the east side who are just as indignant on the mat-ter as any of the people on the west

VICE HAS INCREASED.

He was charitable enough to believe at in the first place there might have en a feeling in some quarters that enforce the law and protect the caud-ren and homes of the people by blotting out this pest. He had seen, he said, the slums of the east, but he had never seen anything to compare with the stockade which is being fostered by Sait Lake City offi-Ernest Wright said that in spite of

not what his opinion is, as to the methods of contral, but that he simply

Ernest Wright said that in spite of the stockade, vice is just as prevalent up town as it ever was, so that with the awful condition in the stockade, conditions are worse than ever. With regard to the tardiness of the city offi-cials to do their duty, he said that the people should do with them as an em-ployer would do with an employe who would not do what he was required to do, they should put in those who would do their duty.

HADDOCK LAST SPEAKER. Lon J. Haddock, who was the last

Lon J. Haddock, who was the last speaker, said there was nearly 500 wo-men in the stockade, as hundreds of fallen women have been brought in fom other places. He knew that many boys under age have visited the stock-ade and the stockade is largely re-sponsible for the wave of crime which is passing through the city. He as-serted that the crime of the stockade must be traced to those who are re-sponsible. The people will have to en-ter the political field in order to do it. The stockade does not restrict The stockade does not restrict because the immates go from there all over town. He asserted that the people would carry the matter up to the polls, and eventually wipe it out. They would never cease to fight until the monstrous evil had been obliterated. Personally, as a father, he would give every drop of his blood to blot out the evil father, he would give every d his blood to blot out the evil.

TO THE CITY COUNCIL.

Chairman Ashton then read the first resolution, which was directed to t mayor and city council, as follows: ted to the

"Whereas, the undisputed evidence shows that that certain corporation known as the Citizens' Investment company has for several weeks past, shows that company has for several weeks past, and now is, devoting its property, known as the 'stockade,' to open and notorious prostitution in violation of the temporary injunction granted by the Third district court in a certain case pending between certain owners of property adjacent to and in close proximity to the said 'stockade,' as plaintiffs, and the said Citizens' In-vestment company and one Dora P

vestment company and one Dora P. Topham, as defendants; and "Whereas, the said use of said prop-erty is well known to the public at Whereas, the said use of said prop-erty is well known to the public at large, and is known, or ought to be known to the honorable mayor and efty council of Sait Lake City, and to the chief of police of said city; and "Whereas, said use of said property is in violation of law, and the injunc-tive order of said court, and is in vio-lation of the city ordinances of Sait Lake City; and "Whereas, we and our children are constantly exposed to the dangers that lurk in and surround this institution of vice and crime and the peace, com-fort and safety of our homes are threatened and will be destroyed by the establishment and maintenance of this institution of vice, iniquity and crime in the heart of the western por-tion of this city, and at our very doors; and

loors; and

'Whereas, it is the sworn duty of the mayor and city council of Salt Lake City, and the chief of police thereof, to enforce the laws and ordinances which will protect us and the people of this city from the evils of such an institution;

"Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the people of the western portion of Salt Lake City in mass meeting assembled, do hereby respectfully de-mand that the honorable mayor and city council of Salt Lake City, and the chief of police thereof, take immediate action to enforce the laws and ordin-ances which will effectually put an end to the wholesale practise of pros-titution as now carried on in the stockade operated and controlled by the Citizens' Investment company and one Dora P. Topham, president and manager thereof. "We demand this action at your hands under and by virtue of the oaths of "Now, therefore, be it resolved that

under and by virtue of the oaths of your office and the duties and obliga-tions resting upon you, and under and by virtue of the laws and constitution

of this state, which guarantee to us life, liberty and the pursuit of happi-ness, and under which guarantee of rights, we are entitled to have the peace and quiet of our homes undisturbed, and our children and wives guarded



governor of the state of Utah, and the Hon. Albert S. Barnes, the at-torney general thereof, to take such immediate action under the laws of this state for the purpose of bring-ing about a dissolution of the said Citizens' investment company, for its flagrant violation of the laws of this state of the such as the said "Resolved, That a certified copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the honorable governor and the honorable attorney general of this state."

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MILLINERY.

ANOTHER MASS MEETING. On motion the following committee was appointed to arrange for another meeting to be held within the next week, and also to arrange for meetings in all sections of the city. Those named were William McMillian, Ednamed were william McMillian, Ed-ward F. Parry, Lon J. Haddock, John H. White, George Q. Morris, William Laylon, W. R. Jones, Joseph J. Cannon, Ellas E. Woodruff, B. F. Grant George Burbidge, W. D. Browning, Louis Iverson and J. D. Bennett.

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Local College Men Seek to Divert President William Taft.

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his, finding, the schools closed a hund-ber of times each year on account of the lack of heat in the rooms. In every instance that they could recall the mat-ter had been investigated and it was found that the coal was rocky or most-ly dust or that the electric power which forced the heat through the buildings was of Them in when easys the heat KØB KØB

forced the heat through the buildings was off. Then in other cases the heat-ing plants were defective. In all the mass of evidence that H. C. Edwards, counsel for Mr. Bridwell, brought out, nothing could be found that reflected on the work of any of the janitors of the buildings or Mr. Bridwell. When L. P. Judd, clerk was called, it was learned that he and his office force made out the pay roll youchers from made out the pay roll vouchers from the time sheets which were turned in by Mr. Bridwell. Mr. Edwards called Mr. Judd's attention in particular to a time chart in which T. J. Bridwell, brother of Supt. Bridwell, had worked five days as a janitor at the Jorean biother of Supt. Bridweit, ind works a five days as a fanitor at the Lincoln school, several days as a carpenter and three or four days doing repairs about the building. In the voucher which was made out by Judd, it showed that the work was all classed as carpenter work. Mr. Edwards called attention to the fact that when Mr. Bridweil to the fact that when Mr. Bridwell was on the stand, he was accused of classing all of his brother's work as classing all of his brother's work as carpenter work in this item. Mr. Judd admitted that he was the one who made out the work as carpenter work be-cause he could not give the various items in the time sheet on the voucher. For this reason he said it was classi-fied under the one head. This was the manner in which the vouchers were manner in which the vouchers were made out every month, and Mr. Ed-wards showed that Mr. Bridwell was not responsible for the vouchers which did not show all the classes of work done by the employs of the board. RESIGNATION OF GIAUQUE.

Evidence was introduced to show that Clarence P. Glauque, against whom charges of incompetency were made, had handed in his resignation, and that the board refused to accept it. His resignation was withdrawn at the re-quest of the members of the committee of buildings and grounds who want-ed him to remain in the employ of the board until the close of the school year. His resignation was handed in on March 15, last. This was introduced to show that Mr.

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This was introduced to show that ar, Bridwell was not responsible for the employment of Glauque as janitor after the charges of incompetency had been made against the janitor. A little later it came out as a slide issue that Glauque, the janitor, had been sick five days, and that T. J. Bridwell took his slace. From the yourthers it was shown place. From the vouchers, it was shown that Giauque had been paid for his time when sick and that Bridwell had been paid for the same work. After

Giauque received his pay, he immedi-ately refunded the money he received for work while sick. Mr. Thomas at-tempted to show that Bridwell was re-sponsible for these men being paid for the seme work. he same work. Mr. Edwards called Judd to the stand

nd brought out the fact that Bridwell ad nothing to do with the employment had nothing to do with the employment of the janitors, end that the pay rolls, were made out by Judd or his force each month. Judd said that he always called Bridwell to see if any of the janitors had been off during the month. When he was further examined on this subject, Judd was unable to say that he called Bridwell on this particular occasion and asked him if the janitors had worked their full time. had worked their full time. MR. THOMAS CALLED.

Mr. Thomas was subjected to cross-examination as to persons who had given him certain information and he refused to give any names until he saw the parties. In several instances he explained that the persons who had given him the information had refused to come before the board because they did not wish to be mixed up in it and he said that he had dismissed the mat-ter without consideration.

He admitted that he had sent a man to see Mrs. E. Lompe, the wife of the janitor of the Webster school building, and Mrs. Rogers, the wife of an engi-

neer at the High school building, who was reported had been compelled to do janitor work at the house of Bridwell and had received no pay. Mrs. Lompe said that she did not want to mix up in the business. Mr. Thomas said that he heard later that Lompe declared that

he would tear his wife's head off if she testified at the investigation. During the examination Mr. Thomas admitted that he had made up his mind as to the incompetency of Mr. Bridwell. He refused to say on what evidence and declined to answer a number of questions. He also said that he as a board member was cutilled to his judgment on any matter and that it was none of Bridwell's business on what evi-dence he based his opinions as to his incompetency.

Oscar W. Moyle, when president of the board, admitted that he had talked on the temperature of the buildings with Bridwell and also discussed the janitor service and the matter of as sumed names on the pay roll. Moyle said that he had investigated a num-ber of complaints and found that neither Bridwell nor the janitors were responsible for them.

These three witnesses were were examined last night. M Mr. Brid

well had about twenty witnesses pres-ent who will testify. The investiga-tion will be resumed as 8 o'clock Thursday night.

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YALE WANTS TO ENTERTAIN.

the stockade might be a good thing in restricting and localizing the traffic, but in spite of it there are more fallen women the city than there has ever been, proving the falsity of such an assumption. At this point the chairman stated that it was an absolute fact that there

that it was an absolute fact that there are twice as many prostitutes in the city as there were before the stockade

opened. William Latham said the movement was purely in the interest of morality. They would ask the officials to enforce the law which they were sworn to do. If they would not do it then he would favor making it a political movement. B. F. GRANT SPEAKS.

B. F. GRANT SPEAKS. B. F. Grant was then called for. He said in part that prostitution may al-ways exist, but if fostered it is bound to increase. Many of the women who run houses of ill repute object to move bo the stockade and pay tribute to Belle London. The mayor may have had a good motive in assenting to the stockade in the first place, but instead of centralizing the evil, a trust of pros-titution has grown on the west side under the care of Salt Lake City, in addition to the evils already existing in other places.

addition to the evils arready existing in other places. He assured his hearers that the idea of the builders of the stockade was to make money, and in spite of the efforts of the sheriff and county commission-ers, and the humiliation of private citi-zens the institution is growing from day to day.

zens the institution is growing from day to day. Letters have not only been sent to Denver, Bolse, Butts and San Francisco for women to come to Salt Lake, but this notorious woman. Belle London, has also sent out personal representa-tives for additional women. He touched a sympathetic chord when he said it was a movement of fathers and mothers and asked if any of those present had a boy or girl to spare for such a life. He stated that the condi-tion is such that the people should rise en masse and ask Mayor Bransford,



and protected against the blighting and baneful influences of this cesspool of vice and crime, which is permitted to flourish at the yery doors of our iones, notwithstanding the same is condomned by the ordinances of this bity and the laws of this state, and

city and the laws of this state, and notwithstanding we have made every effort thus far within our power to stop the illegal traffic. "We have long since resolved and do again resolve that this institution of vice and crime shall not exist in our mildst, whether the officials, whose duty

which whether the officials, whose duty it is to abate the same, shall do so or not. Our homes were here first and we firmly resolve that this institution shall be driven from the place where it is now located rather than that we shall be compelled to abandon the homes which we have for so many years owned and enjoyed. You must do your duty in this respect or we shall find a way to protect ourselves and our homes against this impudent, tyr-anical and unlawful thing that is rear-ing its head serpent-like and is in defi-ance of law, morals and decency strik-ing at the portals of our homes and is endangering all that is near and dear to us.

o us. "Be it further resolved, that a certified opy of these resolutions be forwarded o the honorable mayor and city council of the honorable mayor and city bound of Salt Lake City. "We, the undersigned, do hereby certi

"We, the undersigned, do hereby certi-fy that the foregoing is a full; true and correct copy of a resolution unanimous-ly adopted at a mass meeting of the citizens of the west side of Salt Lake City held on the evening of the 15th day of June, A. D. 1909. "E. C. ASHTON, Chairman. "JOHN E. COTTAM, Secretary."

The resolution to the governor and attorney-general, which was also read by Chairman Ashton, is as fol-

attorney-general, which was also read by Chairman Ashton, is as fol-lows: "Whereas, The fact appears that a certain corporation known as the Citizens' Investment company, has acquired certain lands situate be-tween Fourth and Fifth West streets and First and Second South streets, in Sait Lake City, Utah, commonly known as the "stockade," and in which lands it has erected a large number of buildings, commonly used as 'cribs and parlor houses,' which property is, and has been for several weeks past, devoted almost entirely to the open and notorious practise of prostitution in violation of the con-stitution and statutes of this stae and in violation of the charter granted, to the said Citizens' Investment com-pany; and.

in violation of the charter granted, to the said Citizens' Investment com-pany: and. "Whereas, We, the residents and property owners living in close proxi-mity to the said stockade, have and now are doing everything within our power to prevent this lilegal and im-moral traffic, but notwithstanding our efforts the said company insolently and unlawfully defice every effort put forth by us in that behalf; and. "Whereas, We believe, under the laws and the constitution of this state, quo warranto proceedings can be taken which will effectuate a dis-solution of the said Citizens' Invest-ment company on account of its open and flagrant violation of the statutes of this state and the charter under which it was incorporated, and that such proceedings lie within the pow-er of the attorney general of this state, acting under the advice and sug-gestion of the governor thereof, now. therefore, be it. "Resolved, That we herby petition and request the Hon, William Spry.

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service of three and a half years He will remain home to engage in business and not re-enter the navy, although by serving out a full term of apprenticeship he might secure a commission Mr. Denhalter says there are quite number of young men in the navy wi are studying for commissions, which requires 12 years study and sea-going experience. The young man has been pretty much all over the world, and has

seen a great deal of international life PROSPEROUS NEBRASKA,

NO STATE OFFICERS.

R. M. Turner, a prominent citizen of Lincoln, Neb., is in the city, on a business trip. He reports the state capital as growing with remarkable

capital as growing with remarkation rapidity, and with a present popula-tion of 75,000. It is now a "dry town;" in fact, the whole state would have gone dry but for W. J. Bryan. Mr. Turner says the crop outlook in that section of the country is promising. Wheat promises 30 bushels to the acre, while there has been as much presidentiation there has been so much precipitation over western Kansas and Nebraska and eastern Colorado-usually arid sections, that the dry farmers are sure of excel-lent harvests. All this means riches for the farmer, as there is nothing left over of last year's crops to get rid of, and high prices having been realized along all lines. The farmers on the plains have money in the bank now; they are riding in automobiles, sending their

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