

not to exceed \$500. A counter claim is made by others that it will cost at least three times that amount to make the route anywhere near passable.

In the Third district court John R. Park has lodged a suit against Salt City and M. H. Hennessey to recover \$5,000 for damages alleged to have been sustained by the changing of the street grade. The complaint sets forth that the grading was done in such a careless manner that the trees of plaintiff along his sidewalk and on his premises were broken down; that large quantities of debris were piled on the premises and the means of access thereto closed up; also that otherwise he was damaged by the cutting down of the grade, which in some places is ten feet above and in other places ten feet below the premises, which are situated on the east side of State street between North Temple and the capitol grounds. Further, that defendant neglected to build retaining walls for the protection of plaintiff's premises.

The dispatch received here Monday from Washington in which was stated that G. H. Isaub had received the appointment of postmaster of Ogden City to succeed General Kimball, whose time expired last December, and that Achilles Perrin had been appointed to the position of probate judge to succeed Judge Bishop, whose time does not expire until February next, is a leading topic of conversation. A change has been long looked for and expected in the postoffice, but the change in the probate judgeship was unexpected and came as a great surprise. Mr. G. H. Isaub was not surprised, neither was General Kimball, at the first-named change. Mr. Perrin, also seemed not in the least surprised, and of course expressed himself as being much pleased. While it is believed by all that the appointment of Mr. Isaub will be confirmed immediately, doubt is entertained by many concerning Mr. Perrin owing to the term of Judge Bishop not expiring until February next.

Charles Thiede, the Murray saloon keeper, who is now confined in the County jail awaiting trial on a charge of murdering his wife in May last, is seriously ill with hemorrhage of the bowels. He has been unable to leave his cot for the past five days and during the interval has suffered considerable pain.

Thiede is under the treatment of County Physician Worthington. When asked by a News reporter as to the man's condition, the doctor replied that although he did not regard it as critical, yet he is very sick. He seemed worse this morning, but this afternoon the county jail authorities had notified him by telephone that he was decidedly better.

The prisoner has preserved a non-communicative and sullen demeanor ever since he has been in Sheriff McQueen's keeping and has made no reference whatever to the awful tragedy for which he has been held to answer.

The opponents of the special sprinkling tax ordinance can jubilate. The Supreme court this afternoon handed down a decision in the case of Orson H. Pettit et al, plaintiffs and appellants, vs Harry T. Duke, treasurer of Salt Lake City. This is what is known as

the sprinkling tax case and is one of great importance to taxpayers. Their honors thought the tax was levied without authority of law and was therefore illegal and void. The demurrer should have been overruled and the injunction granted. Judgment of the lower court accordingly reversed.

O. H. Pettit et al, appellants, vs E. R. Clute, assessor and collector of Salt Lake City. The question here involved was the same as in the above case, and the judgment of the lower court was therefore reversed on the same authority.

By Monday's mail Acting Governor Richards received an official letter from Secretary of State Gresham, as follows: Accompanying it was a copy of the new Act of Congress regarding Utah:

No. 1884. United States of America. Department of State.

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

I certify that hereto annexed is a true copy of an Act of Congress, approved June 16, 1894, the original of which is on file in this Department, entitled "An act to enable the people of Utah to form a Constitution and State government and to be admitted into the Union on an equal footing with the original states."

In testimony whereof I, W. Q. Gresham, secretary of state of the United States, have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the seal of the department of state to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington this 23rd day of July, A. D. 1894, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and nineteenth.

[SEAL]

W. Q. GRESHAM.

Mrs. L. Jensen, Mill Creek, while driving to this city Monday morning, met with a thrilling accident and a narrow escape from serious injury. While passing along Fifth East street, just beyond Seventh South, the animal that she was driving slipped and fell onto its side, breaking one of the shafts of the buggy.

Mrs. Jensen had a tight hold on the lines at the time and by the force of the fall was jerked over the dashboard. In struggling to free herself she became fast between the neck and the wheels. The lines in the meantime were thrown several feet to one side and altogether out of her reach. She realized that should the animal get on to its feet before she did that she would be dragged to death and for a moment she was greatly frightened. She made a final and successful effort to extricate herself and got the lines into her grasp for the second time just as the horse jumped up and was about to dash away. The lady quieted the beast down, bound the broken shaft together and drove to town. She declared this afternoon that a man who drives an ice wagon witnessed the accident from a short distance but offered her no help whatever. She added with considerable spirit that she was heartily glad that she got along without the assistance of such a man.

That home capitalists are putting more confidence in home securities was again proven July 28 when Zion's

Saving's Bank and Trust company, through its cashier, Mr. George M. Cannon, purchased the \$25,000 city bonds commonly known as the "copper plant" bonds.

The sale was a good one, too, for the city, and Mr. Cannon is fully satisfied with the transaction. The bonds are of the regular municipal issue of 1892, with coupons up to July 1, 1894, detached. The price paid for them is par and accrued interest amounting to \$98.75.

The sale was made by Treasurer Duke and caused several of the Councilmen to open their eyes and congratulate Mr. Duke on the result, as some of them had been saying the bonds could not be disposed of at a figure above 98 cents, and they even doubted that they would bring that much.

Mr. Cannon stated this afternoon that he had not made the purchase without due consideration. It simply showed the confidence that his bank placed in Salt Lake securities, and evidenced the fact that money was "getting easier" in Utah. While he considered the price a very stiff one he could have disposed of the bonds this afternoon at a premium on what he gave for them.]

An arrest which has caused considerable comment among the citizens of Ogden was that made by officer Ferguson at a late hour on Wednesday night of a man who gives his name as G. F. Brown. Brown was seen hanging around the depot yards and when told by Ferguson that he was wanted, broke and run and stopped not until a pistol shot was fired and about half a dozen other officers were on the spot. Immediately after the arrest he was taken to the city jail and underwent the regular search and his pockets were found to contain two sticks of giant powder, one box of giant caps, six dynamite cartridges with tubes, about ten feet of fuse, a brace and two bits, a funnel and a five cent piece. The charge of vagrancy was booked against him at that time but later a more serious charge will be made. Yesterday afternoon he was thoroughly examined and an exact description taken of him; a picture of him was also placed upon a card by the photographer for future reference. He now lingers in the city jail awaiting a preliminary examination before Judge Bagley and his case will undoubtedly be brought up before the special grand jury which has not yet been discharged. Brown will be held to answer any charge which they see fit.

A man named Napione, employed on a ranch about five miles from Roscoe, Cal., had been on a prolonged spree, and while under the influence of delirium tremens, rushed into a barn and set fire to it. The flames drew the attention of several people who were working in the vicinity and they rushed into the barn and dragged out Napione, who was badly burned, and threw him into a large horse trough. They then returned to the barn and took out the horses, and while they were thus occupied Napione rushed back into the barn unobserved. The barn was destroyed and the man incriminated.