

Professor Joseph J. Daynes advocated its adoption in the city schools, for the purpose of training the children in vocal music, showing that by the Tonic-sol-fa method there is only one scale to be learnt, in connection with a few simple indications for time, etc., while the staff notation is cumbered with fifteen different scales and a multitude of signs, all of which it is well nigh impossible for children to comprehend.

Prof. Evan Stephens argued for the adoption of the staff notation, to be learnt in conjunction with that portion of the Tonic-sol-fa system which designates the notes by names. He asserted that by this means the staff notation can be learnt in very little more time than is required for the Tonic-sol-fa method alone, and it prepares the pupil to understand instrumental music which the other does not.

After some further discussion of the matter by the members of the committee themselves, it was decided not to adopt the Tonic-sol-fa system in the city schools.

Bids for the construction of the Jackson school in the Sixteenth ward were opened, as follows:

H. E. Redfield.....	\$62,471 00
DeVine & Robinson.....	62,400 00
W. H. Jay.....	59,100 00
F. M. Wright.....	61,800 00
S. O. Sherrell.....	59,900 00
Salt Lake B. & M. company.....	59,300 00
William Lister.....	68,880 00
Wilson Bros.....	66,184 00
Tuddenham & Hralo.....	62,539 00
Commercial Mill & Building Co.....	59,201 49
A. Henegen.....	51,493 00

Bids for steam heating and ventilating the schools named were also opened, as follows:

HEESON & ELLERBECK.

Eleventh building.....	\$2,500 00
Water motor.....	125 00
Electric motor.....	500 00
Twentieth building.....	3,500 00
Water motor.....	150 00
Electric motor.....	600 00

P. J. MORAN.

Sixth school.....	\$2,435 00
Eleventh school.....	2,389 00
Twentieth school.....	3,412 50
Nineteenth school.....	3,419 50
Sixteenth school.....	3,591 00

HENDRY & MEYER.

Sixth school.....	\$2,300 00
Eleventh school.....	2,300 00
Nineteenth school.....	3,200 00
Sixteenth school.....	3,260 00
Twentieth school.....	3,200 00

JAMES SPENCER-BATEMAN CO.

Sixth school.....	\$2,095 00
Eleventh school.....	2,085 00
Twentieth school.....	2,784 00
Nineteenth school.....	2,740 00
Sixteenth school.....	2,781 00

MINGLEY & SONS.

Sixth building.....	\$3,877 00
Water closet.....	210 00
Changes.....	1,100 00
Sixteenth building.....	6,175 00
Changes, flues.....	225 00
Water closets.....	524 00
Nineteenth building.....	5,841 00
Changes, flues.....	70 00
Boiler changes.....	501 00
Twentieth building.....	5,811 00
Changing flues.....	1,125 00
Water closet and boiler.....	504 00
Eleventh building.....	3,725 00
Changes.....	205 00

The city school board met last night, Vice-President Nelson in the chair. The members present were Ald, Baldwin, Young, Pike, Raybould and Newman.

BRYANT SCHOOL BUILDING.

The following communications were read:

Hon. Board of Education:

I hereby submit the following item of

this my first estimate for work and materials incorporated in the Eleventh district or Bryant schoolhouse to date as per agreement:

2000 yards excavating at 40c per yard.....	\$ 900
20 cords footing stone at \$36.....	720
51 cords rubble stone at \$25.....	1 270
70,000 brick at \$11.....	770
Basement window frames.....	70
Lumber and Labor furnished in blocking up old building.....	200
Cut Stone.....	350

Respectfully,
W. H. Joy.

Referred to the committee on sites and buildings.

APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT.

O. H. Lancaster applied for a position as janitor of one of the school buildings. Committee on furniture and supplies.

Samuel H. Carlyle petitioned to be appointed as supervisor of stone work on the buildings about to be erected. Committee on sites and buildings.

INSURANCE RENEWED.

Whittemore, Cooke & Co. stated that the fire insurance on the Eighth ward school building expires July 8th, and asked to be instructed to renew the same. The insurance was placed with the North German Fire Insurance company of Hamburg, Germany. The amount of policy is \$1850, ratio, \$1.89 for three years, premium, \$24.30. Renewed.

TO TEACH.

The following list of applicants to teach was read:

Nettie Reno.....	Freeman, Mo.
Ella Remsburg.....	Red Cloud, Neb.
Ethel Woodmansee.....	Salt Lake City.
Nellie E. Campbell.....	Litchfield, Minn.
Emma McGee.....	Wichita, Kansas.
O. M. Ritchie.....	Loveland, Colo.
Mrs. Davis.....	Aux Vassa, Mo.
E. L. Knoche.....	Holton, Kansas.
Kate Paul.....	Wichita, Kansas.

Referred to the committee on teachers.

TEXT BOOKS.

The committee on school work made the following report:

To the Board of Education:

Gentlemen—Your committee on school work have to report that for the past ten days they have been engaged each day in investigating the merits of the different books presented by the publishers for adoption by this board.

They have completed the presentation by the agents of the different houses, and at the next meeting of the board will be able to recommend the books they think should be adopted.

They heard the merits of the tonic sol-fa and the staff systems of teaching music presented by the advocates of the different methods and decided by a vote of 4 to 1 that we ought to adopt the staff system.

Adopted.

TO RE-RENT ROOMS.

The committee on sites and buildings recommended that the contract between G. A. Heles and the board be renewed until June 30, 1893, at \$30 per month. They also recommended that the offer of W. H. Whitney of the rooms at Eighth West and First South be accepted, provided the rooms could be rented from month to month. Mr. Whitney donated the rent for July.

The offer of T. C. Armstrong of the two upper floors of the Armstrong building, on Second South street, was also accepted, provided they could be rented from month to month, and that the rent for July and August should be at the rate of \$40 per month. Adopted.

THE LOWELL SCHOOL.

Mr. Young moved that the Board accept the proposition of the contractors for the Lowell school in the Twentieth ward contained in their letter of June 7, 1892, to build six two-story water closets and furnish inscription stones for the sum of \$947, and that the Superintendent of Buildings be instructed to order said additional work done. Adopted.

THE NUMBER INCREASED.

On motion of Mr. Pike the Committee on Teachers was increased to five, to be the same in number as the other committee. Newman and Baldwin were appointed as the two other members.

SCHOOL CENSUS.

Mr. Pike moved that the members of each municipal ward at the next meeting, next Thursday evening, present the names of suitable persons from each ward to take the school census according to law. Carried.

Adjourned for one week.

AT ITS OLD BUSINESS.

THE attempt of the Mayor to cast odium upon the City Councilmen who were the means of exposing the misdeeds of some of his police, while offensive to decent citizens of all classes, is of course endorsed by the Salt Lake Tribune. That paper, which puts the word of such a person as O. W. Powers against that of United States Senators and other men of national repute, and throws mud at the latter to vindicate the former, might be expected to assail gentlemen at home who bring to light the misdeeds of officers of its own party.

The doings of the officials entrusted with the care of the city have been known for some time. Their scandalous conduct has been whispered around, and among a certain class has been food for mirth. Is it likely that anything more would have come of it if the councilmen who received positive information of these orgies had not determined to bring them to light? Why should the Mayor condemn their action, and exhibit so much anger over the exposure which compelled him to remove the offending officer? "Interfered with his prerogatives," did they? Why did he not exercise them, then and, relieve them of the necessity of action? If he ardently desired the purity of the city, he would have thanked those Councilmen instead of casting blame upon them.

But the Tribune goes much further. In its common vile and mean and paltry way, it seeks to put a "Mormon" color on the transaction. Two of those Councilmen were "Mormon Aldermen," it says, and proceeds to put upon them what blame it chooses to manufacture. It charges that they "were trying by imitating the methods of the Chief of Police to damn him and escape uncathed themselves."

If there is anything connected with this unsavory affair that is meaner and more contemptible than this Tribune effort to besmirch those gentlemen, we fail to perceive it. The evidence is clear that their object was solely to detect the evil doings of men in the public service, and the vile insinuations and assertions of the Tribune are simply—characteristic of that sheet.