

the consultation with Messrs. Sutherland and Judd concerning Apponyi's claims had been unavoidably delayed, but that a conference would be held today, and asked that the matter be deferred for one week.

Councilman Pembroke said that this continuous postponement was driving him wild; something must be done and that immediately. The atmosphere is laden with rumors of conspiracy. This lethargy must be shaken off. I believe that this subject is nearer the hearts of the members than any other.

Councilman Hall wished it understood that they had conferred with the county authorities and had agreed to employ Mr. Kletting as being as responsible and capable in his profession as any man they could engage, and that one week's delay would not be serious.

Councilman Noble thought that other architects should not be shut out of competition.

Councilman Hall—We were instructed to employ an architect to revise and perfect the old plans or procure new ones. If the Council sees fit to reconsider its action on that subject it can easily be done.

Councilman Anderson said he wished to state how the vote stood in committee on employing Mr. Kletting. The ayes were Bartch, Howe, Hall and Lynn, while he (Anderson) voted no. He did not do so because he was opposed to Kletting, but because he was opposed to the proposition.

Councilman Hall said that Mr. Kletting was present and he would ask him if there would be any charges for examining the old plans in case they should decide not to use them. To this question Mr. Kletting replied, not if he furnished the new plans.

On motion of Councilman Cohn the matter was deferred for one week.

RESOLUTIONS.

The following resolutions were offered in rapid succession by Councilman Pembroke and voted down as soon as the motions were put:

"Resolved, That it be the sense of this council that supervisor of streets be instructed to employ sufficient additional force to enable them to complete without unreasonable delay the work now in his hands.

That, whereas, a large amount of street work remains uncompleted, on the hands of the street supervisor, and that, whereas, the best interests of the city demand that all work of the nature of public improvements shall be prosecuted in a vigorous and economical manner, and whereas insufficient facilities for such vigorous prosecution of public work are at the command of the street supervisor, and that this department should be relieved of a large part of this work, which it is impossible for it to complete without delay.

Therefore, be it resolved by this Council, That all the extensive jobs now in the hands of the street supervisor and uncompleted, and which may be hereafter recommended by this Council, in the line of grading, cutting or filling roadways and such kindred work, be contracted to the lowest responsible bidder, under the direction of the board of public works.

Resolved, That it be the sense of this Council all items of street work

and improvements which have been recommended by the street committee have been received in good faith and with the view of having the same prosecuted without any unnecessary delay.

Councilman Hall opposed this last resolution on the ground that it made a direct attack against the committee and inferred that they had not done their work in good faith.

Councilman Pembroke—For the life of me I can't tell why the street committee always sit down on me; but they do. I have offered four resolutions and each has been voted down as rapidly as possible. I now propose to offer a verbal resolution that will make this committee show their hands. Their actions must go on record. This last resolution was as follows:

Be it resolved that the city engineer confer with the superintendent of waterworks and the Salt Lake Gas Company relative to the present condition of the gas and water pipes laid in the street upon which estimates for paving have been called, with the view of having the said pipes lowered without unnecessary delay if the same shall be found necessary.

The resolution was adopted and Mr. Pembroke smiled triumphantly.

APPROPRIATIONS.

The following appropriations were then made:

John W. Snell.....	\$ 468 93
Hines & Auer.....	224 00
Waterworks.....	20,000 00
National Tube Works Company.....	15,000 00
Hyrum Barton.....	50 00
Evans & Ross.....	15 00
Hospital Holy Cross.....	50 25
T. C. Rookledge.....	2,500 00

The Council then adjourned for one week.

FROM SAN JUAN COUNTY.

We have had a very fair season the past summer. Our sheep and cattle have done well and are in fine condition to move into winter quarters. We found sale for some 1500 mutton wethers at \$2.50 per head, which for our class of sheep was a good price. No sale has been made of our beef steers, the great drought which prevailed in Kansas, Nebraska and other border States having greatly injured the corn crop, and doubtless kept back buyers who usually come out here and purchase our range steers for feeders. However, we do not feel bad about it, believing that if we can carry our steers through the winter we shall reach a much better figure for them next June, which will more than pay us for waiting on the market.

Crops have been very fair here. A good crop of cane was raised. A first-class quality of sorghum was made from it and sent up into Colorado, where it readily sells for eighty-five cents per gallon. With this money we purchase wheat, take it to the mill and flour it, and in this way can make our bread much better than by growing wheat here, as the climate is too warm for us to raise wheat profitably. Our corn crop was injured considerably through want of water, which went out of our ditch by the

falling of the river early in the season. This caused a partial failure of our fruit crop also; but a good supply was raised for home use. The hard frosts last February almost entirely destroyed our early peaches. At Monticello, some fifty odd miles nearly due north of this point, and situated at the eastern base of the Blue Mountains, the people raised full crops of wheat, oats, barley, and some corn, and as fine a quality of vegetables as can be raised, I believe, anywhere. A few peaches ripened there for the first time this season. This is the more remarkable as the location is not less than 6500 feet above sea level. The brethren have a steam saw mill in operation, about six miles distant, producing very good lumber.

At our last quarterly conference, held here a few weeks ago, a waru was organized under the direction of Apostle John Henry Smith, Frederick J. Jones as Bishop, with Charles E. Walton and George Adams counselors. We had a most excellent time, and some of those present came a distance of from fifty to ninety miles. Apostle Smith was the chief speaker. The young men and women's, Primary and Relief societies all held their conferences, and Apostle Smith addressed them, much to their edification.

From here I accompanied Apostle Smith ninety miles over a beautiful valley country nearly due east to Mancos, across the Utah line into Colorado. Here we posted up notices to the effect that Brother Smith would preach in the Central schoolhouse, a nice two story frame building granted for the occasion by the trustees. A large audience assembled, including resident Saints, Methodists, Presbyterians, and Catholics. Some of those who heard Apostle Smith preach remarked to me next morning, that "if that was Mormonism they wanted to hear some more of it."

During the last few months many accidents have occurred in Bluff Ward and three deaths. Two little boys had each a leg broken and another an arm. Father John Allen's little son also had his leg broken by the caving in of a bank, where he and other children were playing. Judge J. S. Barton's son was kicked by a horse while trying to drive the animal. Brother Hyrum Perkins' boy had his arm broken by a kick from a horse while trying to drive the animal out of the lot. Joshua Stephens' little boy died very suddenly from croup. Sad to relate, Father John Allen's child had only just recovered from his accident when he was taken sick with diphtheria and died, his little sister Florence following him soon afterwards. This has been a most severe trial to Father Allen and his family, who have the sympathy of the entire community. The infected districts have been quarantined and school and public meetings discontinued, and we trust that the dread disease will not spread further.

So far as I have traveled among the Saints since our late semi-annual conference, I find that the manifesto issued by President Wood-