

insufficient to properly maintain the city system, the board is authorized, under certain circumstances to direct the levy of additional taxes for that purpose.

"It is manifest, however, that the burden resting upon the city is an onerous one, and works a hardship that ought to be remedied, but that duty is with the Legislature and the court cannot assume that the Constitutional provision was intended to deal with the subject without its clearly so appearing."

RETURNED ELDERS.

Elder Cyrus Neff of East Mill Creek, this county, returned on the 8th inst. from a mission to the Northern States mission. He left Utah Nov. 10, 1894, and labored first in Wetzel county, West Virginia. He subsequently labored in Maryland and Pennsylvania, but again returned to West Virginia, where the last six months of his mission was spent in Hampshire and Hardy counties. He reports a great improvement since 1894 in the prospects of the work of the Gospel throughout the mission, especially in West Virginia, where many are embracing the truth.

Elder Neff returns in good health and spirits, having had a rich experience.

Elder William Henry Thompson, of Price, Carbon county, left this city on August 14th, 1893 on a mission to the Hawaiian Islands, and he arrived here, on his return from that mission on the 10th instant. He labored on the islands of Oahu, Hawaii, Maui and Lanai, as a rule meeting with fair success, and enjoying his labors. He not only labored in the ministry but worked at carpentry and taught music.

The mission is progressing, and the Elders now laboring in it are faithful and zealous. There has been an increase in the number of baptisms of late, and the prospects are encouraging. Elder Thompson had good health during his mission, and returns home enjoying that blessing. He will probably locate in this city.

Elder Austin M. Brown of Pleasant Green ward, Salt Lake county, returned home yesterday from the mission field. His labors while away have been confined wholly to the West Virginia conference where he made many friends. The mission he says is flourishing and the Church in that part of the vineyard has a number of followers. Elder Brown left home April 11th last, and was released to return on account of poor health.

Elder Nathan A. Tanner of Ogden called on the NEWS last evening and reported his return from the California mission field, he having reached home a week ago. Elder Tanner has been in the field since March, 1895, and he states that the mission is prospering and much good is resulting from the labors of the Mormon Elders. While away he has enjoyed his labors and good health has been his portion.

Yesterday afternoon the NEWS received a call from Elder John R. Jolley of Franklin, Idaho, who reached this city yesterday on his return from a mission to the Sandwich Islands. He left home Nov. 11, 1893, and arrived at his home in Franklin again Nov. 10, 1894. During his mission he en-

joyed good health and spirits. He reports the Hawaiian Islands mission in a prosperous condition. There are now twelve missionaries there—less than for a long time. During the past six months there have been over two hundred new baptisms. The mission numbers over 5,000 Saints, and Sunday schools, Relief societies, Mutual Improvement and Primary associations are in active operation. Elder Jolley labored on all the principal islands, and since October, 1894, has presided over different conferences. His return ocean trip was made on the Mowera to Vancouver, B. C.

FUNERAL OF ELDER W. H. STEVENS.

The remains of William Henry Stevens were tenderly laid to rest on Sunday the 15th inst. in the Ogden City cemetery, he having died on the Thursday preceding.

The funeral services were conducted by Bishop Robert McQuarrie in the Second ward meeting house. The large congregation in attendance was addressed by Bishop James Taylor, Elder Robert F. Neslen, and Bishop McQuarrie; opening prayer by Joseph Hall and benediction by Elder C. F. Middleton, of the Stake presidency.

Each of the speakers paid a high tribute to the noble life that Brother Stevens had lived, and spoke of the esteem in which he is held by all with whom he had come in contact.

Brother Stevens had been a patient sufferer for about 29 years, having been deprived the use of his legs, all that time as the result of a stroke of paralysis, but although infirm and decrepit he did not lose courage. In fact he was never known to murmur or complain. Being naturally of a very independent disposition, he has managed through all these years of affliction, by his own labors, to provide sufficient for the support of his family.

The immediate cause of death was pneumonia, which overtook him one week prior to his demise. He seemed to fully realize, from the beginning of this attack, that his time had come and was perfectly submissive to the infallible decree of an Allwise Providence.

The floral pieces were numerous and elegant, the same being contributed by the tabernacle choir, the Second ward Y. L. M. I. A., and by friends and relatives of the family. The line of vehicles which followed the remains to their last resting place was nearly three blocks in length, indicating the high esteem in which deceased was held by all.

Brother Stevens was born in Cornwall 51 years ago, last August. He moved to the city of Bristol with his parents when about two years of age; was baptized into the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints when eight years old; arrived in Utah in company with his parents and brother, Bishop Thomas J. Stevens of Ogden, Nov. 3, 1864, in Warren Snow's train. He was united in marriage in the endowment house, Salt Lake City, in Nov., 1867, to Ellen J. Neimoyer. Four children have been born to them, two girls and two boys, the youngest a boy about 15 years of age; the oldest daughter, who was the wife of Reuben Wright of Brigham City for one short year, having pre-

ceded her father to the spirit world one year ago the 19th of this month; he died as he had lived a faithful Latter-day Saint.

The bereaved ones feel to humbly submit to the ruling of an Allwise Providence and acknowledge His hand even in this severe affliction.

STATE INSANE ASYLUM.

The State insane asylum board held its regular monthly meeting Friday. All the members, Governor Wells, Treasurer Chipman and Auditor Richards, were present.

The following amounts were appropriated:

Salaries for October.....	\$1,209.20
Current expenses for October.....	1,563.64
Improvements and repairs.....	572.00

The treasurer's report showed:

Cash on hand October 1st.....	\$2,623.42
Receipts in October.....	106.50
Overdraft, November 1st.....	424.63
	\$3,162.55
Disbursements.....	\$3,162.55

Medical Superintendent Hardy presented his estimate of expenses for the quarter ending January 31st, 1897, amounting to \$10,692.50, which was approved and the treasurer authorized to draw on the State auditor for warrants to cover the amount.

The following appointments were recommended by the medical superintendent and confirmed by the board: Samuel H. Buckley and Mary Forsyth, attendants, and Lizzie Andrews, laundress.

Contracts for supplies for six months were let to the following firms:

Excelsior Drug and Paint Co., drugs; P. P. Hindmarsh, meat; P. V. Coal Co., 633 tons of slack coal at \$2.25 per ton; Provo Coal Co., one car of diamond lump coal, at \$3.75 per ton. Only one bid for groceries was submitted, that of Z. C. M. I. Provo branch; no contract was let, matter being taken under advisement till next meeting.

The table below shows the number of patients for the month of October.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
No. patients in Asylum			
September 30.....	120	111	231
Admitted in October.....	3	1	4
Under treatment.....	123	112	235
Discharged.....	0	0	0
Died.....	0	0	0
Remaining in Asylum			
October 31.....	123	112	235

The State treasurer has paid warrants against the State held by the Asylum treasurer to the amount of \$18,000, which has enabled the asylum to pay all of its indebtedness, except about \$4,000.

Mrs. John Henderson, wife of a farmer living about fifty miles from Reno, Bluff, Cal., was fatally injured in a runaway Saturday morning. Mrs. Henderson and her son, Homer, a boy about 13 years of age, were driving down Monroe street when one of the shaft bolts broke. The horse started on a gallop, and at the corner of Monroe and Hickory streets the buggy struck a granite post and Mrs. Henderson was thrown from the buggy, striking on her left shoulder and head. She was thrown about sixteen feet, and her skull was fractured and collar bone broken in two places. The doctors say she cannot recover.