

line, and that the contract is to be completed within ninety days. The company evidently mean business, and has recently asked depot grounds and rights of way privileges at St. George, which request has been granted by the city council of that place.

Bingham Bulletin: A mass meeting of the registered voters of the precinct of Bingham has been called for Wednesday evening next, January 3, 1894, at Social hall, at which will be considered the proposition of incorporating the precinct under the laws of Utah. The business men of the town, with scarcely an exception, believe in the wisdom of the movement, and that it will materially aid in the comfort, safety and prosperity of our citizens.

The directors of the the Deseret Savings bank met January 2nd, and transacted business of interest to not only the stockholders but to the public at large, as it indicates the prosperity of local institutions notwithstanding the general financial depression in the country. The report presented to the Savings bank directors showed the institution to be in sound condition, and so satisfactory was the state of its finances that the board declared a dividend of two and a half per cent for the past quarter.

Beaver Usonian: Mr. William Pearson and others have made a valuable discovery of coal just south of Beaver, in Iron county. The ledge is five feet wide, is twenty-eight miles a little east of south of Beaver, and croppings can be traced into Beaver county. These discoveries from time to time show of what magnitude our resources are in this southern country, and one day they will become known far and wide, and capital will find a fruitful field for investment.

In a letter written by E. P. Ellis, of Layton, Davis county, that gentleman says: "I raised five acres of beets for the sugar factory at Lehi. They cost me \$175.75 all told, and I had left, after all expenses were paid, \$139.25, or \$27.85 per acre, besides some weight to ten tons of beets left for feed. I claim that beets can be raised here and pay the farmer better than any crop I know of. The only drawback is the distance we are from the factory."

Tonight the Utah Sugar factory will close down for the season. The run throughout has been characterized by remarkable success. In round figures the output has been four million pounds of sugar. Tomorrow the close of the season will be celebrated by a grand ball by the employees. It will take place in Garfield's hall, Lehi. Invitations have been sent to the officers and directors, some of whom will go down to this city to attend.

Emmett, Idaho, Index: An excellent quality of coal and an extensive ledge is found on Squaw creek, somewhere near Horseshoe Bend. The owners of the ledge have developed it some, and next winter propose making an effort to supply Emmett, Caldwell, Boise and other towns in this section, as well as those nearer home. The coal is said to be of good quality, and the mine is about twenty-three miles from Emmett.

The new Mammoth mill which was

put into operation this week is to have its capacity doubled in the near future. At present a twenty-stamp mill is in operation, but the foundation and buildings are for a forty stamp mill, and the extra machinery is soon to be added.

Manti Messenger: A specimen of mica at the Messenger office shows what valuable deposits are found in the hills near the city. This will be placed in the mineral exhibit of the Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce, and labeled "Manti Mica," for transportation to the Midwinter Fair.

Mr. J. Q. Packard has put a force of men to blasting the excavation for the foundation of the new mill to be constructed at the Eureka Hill mine, Tintic. The mill will be 40-stamp and from now on the work is to be pushed as rapidly as circumstances will permit.

The Davis county court, which was visited yesterday afternoon by Mr. W. E. Hubbard, as stated in last evening's News, made an appropriation of \$200 for the Utah exhibit at the Midwinter Fair.

Dou Coray, of Provo, has been designated to visit the Mercur or Camp Floyd district, and give a description of its situation and resources for the bureau of information pamphlet.

The branch of the Butte, Anaconda and Pacific Railway, from the company's mines to the Anaconda smelters, is to be opened for traffic on January 1st.

A shipment of over 20 tons of Galena ore brought into Salt Lake, showed by assay today 39.7 per cent lead and 141.6 ounces silver to the ton.

It is expected that the report on Utah county, for the bureau of information pamphlet, will be completed and forwarded to the committee this week.

CHURCH THEOLOGY CLASS.

The class was opened with prayer by Elder A. Clawson. Several questions which had been submitted in writing and were bearing on subjects previously considered, were answered. A review was taken upon the lecture of the last session and the subject of "baptism for the dead" more fully discussed.

Dr. J. E. Talmage, the instructor, stated that this was not a new doctrine, it was known of old. Through Isaiah the Lord declares "I the Lord have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand and will keep thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the gentiles; to open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house."

Latter-day Saints officiate vicariously for their progenitors, in fulfillment of these words and also of Malachi when he says that before the great day of the Lord Elijah should visit the earth and turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the children to their fathers. This prophecy was fulfilled April 3, 1836, when Elijah appeared to Joseph Smith and Oliver Cowdery in the Kirtland Temple, announcing his mission, bestowing the keys of this great labor. Actuated by a belief in this glorious principle,

the Latter-day Saints erect temples and provide for the sacred labors of those holy places.

The class adjourned for one week, benediction being pronounced by Elder B. H. Roberts.

DEDICATION OF MEETING HOUSE.

The new assembly hall of the Twenty-second ward, Salt Lake City, was dedicated Sunday evening, Dec. 31st, 1893, the dedicatory prayer being offered by President George Q. Cannon. There were present on the stand: Presidents George Q. Cannon and Joseph F. Smith of the First Presidency of the Church, Elders Angus M. Cannon, Joseph E. Taylor and Charles W. Peurose, of the presidency of the Stake, Bishop Alfred Solomon, of the ward, and other brethren. The house was filled to overflowing, many being unable to get in.

Appropriate remarks were made by Bishop Solomon, Elder Angus M. Cannon and Presidents Joseph F. Smith and George Q. Cannon. The singing by the ward and Sunday school choirs under the leadership of Brother Henry Gardner was a very pleasing feature of the services.

Owing to the death of Brother Alexander Garrick, which occurred some time ago, Brother John L. Nebeker, formerly second counselor in the Bishopric, was set apart as first counselor to Bishop Solomon, and Brother Arthur Winter was ordained a High Priest and set apart as second counselor.

The assembly hall is a beautiful brick and stone structure 40x60 feet, and cost \$10,000. The building was tastefully decorated for the very important occasion by the sisters of the ward. The Saints of that ward are elated over their new house of worship, and have good reason for feeling so.

LIBERTY PARK'S FOUNDER.

HARRISVILLE, Utah, Dec. 29, 1893.—In your weekly issue of Dec. 23, 1893, under the heading of "A modern Moses," and near the center of said communication, the following paragraph occurs:

"President Young was foremost in everything. To him is given the credit for the many shade trees that we now enjoy in Salt Lake City. He planted that forest in the park."

I wish to say that I never pass Liberty Park, but I reflect upon the time I received my first store pay, for my work in Utah, and that on President Young's store, I think Apostle George Teasdale being manager. Bro. Coulam, who I think resided in the Twelfth ward, and a Scotchman, I think Bro. Wilson by name, who I think came to Utah in Rowley's hand-cart company in 1859, when I did, and myself planted the seed in May, 1860, from which that forest arises, and I fully accord with H. J. Faust, that President Brigham Young in his day, was the leading active mover for Utah's welfare and establishment.

By all means let a monument be erected to his great name, that generations yet unborn may know whom to thank for the settlement of these peaceful valleys, and for the shades of that beautiful park. Yours fraternally,
PETER LATER.