UTAH'S FAIR BUILDING

At Chicago and What the Commission Say of It.

THEY ARE PLEASED WITH IT.

Contract for Grading and Sodding the Grounds Let.—Interesting Information.

There was a meeting of Utah's World's Fair commissioners last night. The principal business transacted was the reading of the following report from President Chambers and Commissioner Empey:

In pursuance of an order of the commission, we visited Chicago arriving there on the 12th of December and remaining until the 17th. We visited the Utah building and grounds at Jackson park and found everything in good shape, the building practically completed and the contractor on hand with a large force of men preparing to clear up the grounds and remove all rubbish. The inside of the building was undergoing the finishing touches of the painter, carpenter and plumber while the outside was ready for the painter but the weather was so cold that it was scarcely possible to work with any degree of satisfaction.

We were well satisfied with the Utah building, and while it has not been formally passed upon and accepted, we anticipate no difficulty in the final settlement, as the contractor has so far shown a willingness to perform his part of the work in accordance with the terms of the contract. A few minor details will have to be adjusted before the final payment is made. As a general, the contractor will have a claim for extras, and so far as we are able to judge he will be entitled to an allowance for extra work, while on the other hand the commission will be entitled to some reduction by reason of the fact that some of the changes have resulted in a saving to the contractor. The matter of extra work and reduction allowed according to the terms of the contract being a matter for the architect to settle, we do not enter upon a formal consideration of the matter.

The electric wiring is yet to be done, but as the wiring has to be done on the outside of the plastering, it cannot be put in until the building is completed.

While in Chicago we received and considered bids for the grading and sodding of the grounds and awarded the contract to Mr. J. C. Ure, for $350, he being the lowest bidder.

We also considered the matter of the Lake pavilion and Eagle gate, these structures we have decided, it will be best to set in the spring.

We carefully considered the question as to the advisability of erecting a street kiosk and dining room at the rear of our building, but could not write what we considered satisfactory estimates for the erection of the building, we are determined to delay the consideration of the matter until we return. There is much to be said for and against this arrangement. We are satisfied it will be a saving in expense, yet it may be an inconvenience in many ways. The purpose is to use the building for providing meals for the officials and employes about the building and not for a general restaurant. In fact, we decided to make it an absolute rule not to allow any one except the parties specially designated by the executive commissioner to receive meals there, and to hold the secretary jointly responsible for the enforcement of the rule. We will require the secretary and all attendants to be in constant attendance at the building, and we think considerable time and expense can be saved by providing a means of serving meals to a limited number of people. However, this is a matter for later consideration.

After visiting Chicago and consulting with the executive boards of Japan, we fully endorse in all other respects the action of the vice-president.

In every item with what other states and nations are doing, we are well satisfied with the progress we have made. We are inclined to believe that we have saved from $3000 to $4000 on our building and grounds, as in other words, it has cost other states at least that much more to accomplish the same results we have attained.

The true name of the great Exposition as a means of advancing the interests of Utah can scarcely be over estimated. A creditable showing by the Territory will be worth many times what it will cost to make the exhibit, and our only regret now is that the funds at our disposal will not permit us to elaborate more in several ways. Yet we feel that no state will accomplish more for the amount of money expended than will Utah, however, every dollar expended will bring rich returns and the amount of good we may do is only limited by the amount we have to expend.

As we now understand the situation, we will bring back to the Territory in actual value of property and exhibits more than it will cost the Territory to prepare and make an exhibit, and this, too, after counting out the cost of the building, which will be practically a total loss, as it will be of little or no value after the close of the Exposition.

H. G. CHAMBERS,
N. A. EMPEY, President.
Executive Commissioner.
SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 30.

AFFAIRS OF BARRATT BROS.

The Amount of the Firm's Liabilities Aggregate $17,085.93.

As announced in the NEWS yesterday afternoon, Mr. W. H. Lett has been appointed receiver of the business of Barratt Bros., furniture dealers of Main street. This was at the request of Messrs. Morganti & Hoyle, attorneys for the Commercial National bank in this city. While the liabilities of the firm are set down at $17,085.93, the assets have not yet been ascertained. The inventory of the stock began today.

Following are the list of creditors: Commercial National Bank, $1700; Mrs. Lewis, $2000; F. Auerbach & Bro., $1234.28; Zion's Cooperative Mercantile Institution, $97.40; H. Dinwoodey, $153.51; Kelly & Co., $27.35; Union National bank, $70; W. F. Shurtleff & Co., $85; Rogers, Searles & Lee, $49.50; taxes, $188.35; total $5016.11, and this is all preferred.

It is said that the "outside" claims of nearly $11,000, the heaviest creditors being the Forest City Furniture company of Rockford, Ill., Kipp Bros. of Milwaukee, the Heywood & Morrell Rattan company in Chicago and the Sheboygan Chair company of Sheboygan, Wis.

Until the work of stock-taking has been concluded and the books balanced the business will be suspended.

THIRD DISTRICT COURT.

Chief Justice Zane Makes the Customary Morning Orders.

An unfinished case, began on Thursday afternoon, stood in the way of the ordinary motion business in Judge Zane's court for nearly an hour this morning, and caused a provoking delay of sundry matters which should have been cleared off the deck before the time for the noon adjournment had arrived. There was, however, a divorce case—reported in another column—run off prior to the legal arguments in the Kesler suit being resumed.

DEMURRER OVERRULED.

In the case of Mosler, Lure & Co. vs. the Smythe, Britton & Pierce Co., the demurrer to complaint was overruled, leave being given till Jan. 3rd, 1893, to answer.

ADDITIONAL TIME.

Andrew C. Brixen vs. Thos Mulloy et al. Ten days additional time was given to file statement on motion for a new trial or bill of exceptions.

MOTION ALLOWED.

In the suit of Fritz Riepen vs. Sharon Atkinson, the motion to dismiss the motion for a new trial was allowed.

LAWYERS' TALK.

Final arguments were made by counsel in the case of E. A. Kesler, administrator, vs. Belle L. Lynch et al. It was a suit to quiet title and has engaged the attention of the court for more than a day and a half. His honor found in favor of the plaintiffs. Thirty days were allowed in which to file statement on motion for a new trial.

DOMESTIC INFELICITY.

Herman Gerwing, a Salt Lake Butcher, Arrested for Threatening His Wife.

At 9 p.m. today Herman Gerwing will go before Commissioner Greenman to answer a charge of assault, preferred by his wife.

The parties reside on East Eighth South street, the defendant being a butcher. Mrs. Gerwing alleges that her husband, while in one of his periodical fits of anger, struck her and pitched her out of the house—for which display of affection she had him arrested under a warrant last evening. He was escorted by Deputy Marshal Byron to Commissioner Greenman's court room, and that introduction to the commissioner ended in the debt dam being required to give a $500 bond for his next appearance.

The complaint does not flatter her husband in what she has to say about him, and if her statement be true he has been in the habit of abusing his better half in a variety of ways for the last five years, and inveigling in language not at all calculated to please mere polite. The pros and cons of the case will doubtless be well weighed by Commissioner Greenman.

Since the foregoing was written Gerwing has been rearrested on the additional charge of threatening to kill his wife.

An Independent Gardener.

There must be something in gardening that cultivates independence and obstinacy. My old gardener, with his one leaper, and not a lot of glass on the place save a modest hothouse or two, was as great a tyrant as the swell Scotch gardeners of my friends.

"Andy," I would say, "don't put those double asters in the corner bed this year, and please don't sow double poppy seed. They are such untidy flowers."

"Yes, ma'am."

With spring came the asterisms; in June, in a faraway corner, straggled up the poppies.

"Andy, I thought I told you I did not want those things."

"Did ye, ma'am? Deed an I thought them poppies would be more satisfaitder in the corner of the wall like."

Poor old Andy! He never realized that I was an American, but would guess many an argument of mine with:

"That's the way they does in America. Isn't that more beaucoolder?"

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