

Onelda, Ida., Republican: The committee on constitution and by-laws for the company which will undertake the construction of the proposed irrigation canal down the west side of Cache valley were in session in Preston Friday. The gentlemen composing this committee are George C. Parkinson, Preston; W. A. Hyde, Downey; E. G. Farmer, Clifton; M. W. Butten, Trenton; J. L. McMurrin, Clifton.

The constitution and by-laws have been prepared, but will not be made public until the next meeting of the company, which is to be held in Oxford today.

Reports from the various communities along the proposed canal would show that the proposition was meeting with general approval, and the stock subscription lists now being circulated are receiving substantial support from every section. Everything now goes to indicate that the undertaking will be a complete success.

The attorney general has transmitted two opinions, one to S. H. Eddy, county attorney of Grand county, on the question of the levying of a special school tax, and the other to County Attorney Luethi of Uintah county, with reference to bond issues. Both opinions, the first of which is to Mr Eddy, are as follows:

"I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 3rd instant, in which you ask to be advised as to the sufficiency of notice of meeting of school trustees for levying a special school tax, filed with the county clerk by the clerk of the school board.

"You suggest that certain parties are claiming that the tax is illegal by reason of insufficiency of the order and notice. You also ask whether the county commissioners can order the tax refunded from the county treasury without such tax being first paid over to the school district.

"I infer from your language, that the tax has been paid, although you do not expressly so state. If it has been paid without protest, it would raise the question as to whether it could be refunded or recovered as a matter of law. If paid under protest, the remedy of the party would be by a suit to recover the same. In any event I am inclined to think that the county commissioners have no jurisdiction to refund it at this time.

"However, it is difficult, if not quite impossible to venture a legal opinion in a case where the facts are fully known, as in this.

"I would therefore suggest that the safer method would be, to allow the parties to seek such remedy as they may think the are entitled to and leave the matter to the decision of the courts."

To Attorney Luethi:

"Answering your favor of the 14th instant, permit me to say, that under the laws of 1897 and the decision of the Supreme court, counties are authorized to issue bonds equal to the amount of floating indebtedness on Jan. 4, 1896. Bonds could not be issued in excess of this amount, except as authorized by a vote of the taxpayers thereon as provided in the Constitution and laws of the State."

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, DECEMBER 24.

City Superintendent of Schools Mills-paugh has completed the compilation of the statistics for the schools for the past month. It shows a total enrollment of 11,014, over half of which number are girls. The enrollment includes 75 colored pupils; average daily attendance, 9,813; average daily absence, 639; cases of tardiness, 1,498; neither absent nor tardy for the month, 4,881; per cent of attendance, 93.4; per cent of punctuality, 98.7; cases of suspension, 10; cases of corporal punishment, 9; cases of truancy, 23; visits by par-

ents and guardians, 881; visits to patrons, 472.

It was with a feeling of extreme sadness that the many friends of Prof. A. E. Knuckey, late principal of the Wasatch school, learned last evening of his death. The event, however, was anticipated; for when Prof. Knuckey left Salt Lake for the halmier and more pleasant clime of St. George it was well known that consumption had so far damaged his health as to make recovery impossible.

Prof. Knuckey breathed his last at 4 o'clock yesterday morning. He was a good educator, a genial gentleman and true friend. He was unmarried. His remains will be taken to Illinois, his former home, for interment.

Provo Enquirer: Mrs. Lytle Barney passed away at the home of Mrs. Alex Wilkins, her daughter, Wednesday evening, at 4:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Barney was born in Iowa, April 20, 1806. She joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints May 18, 1831, and married Edson Barney Jan. 1, 1831. She leaves a husband, who is 91 years old, and five children, Mrs. Menerva McClure, aged 71, California, and a son, aged 66, living at Smithfield, Ariz., the two Mrs. Wilkins, aged 62 and 60, of Provo, and Joseph S. Barney, aged 65, of Escalante, Garfield county.

Mrs. Barney was the oldest member in the Church up to the time of her death, both in years and membership. She was one of the charter members of the first Relief society organized by Joseph Smith, the Prophet. She moved to Utah in 1851.

The children, grandchildren, great and great-great-grandchildren which survive her number close on to two hundred. Her last sickness continued for about six weeks.

Wednesday evening, after six weeks' illness, Mrs. Lillie Ballou Barney departed this life at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Alex Wilkins, of the Second ward. The deceased was born in Herkimer county, New York state, April 20, 1805, and became a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on May 7, 1831. She was married to Edson Barney at Amherst, Lorraine county, Ohio, in June, 1831, and since that time has been united with the Mormon people in their various fortunes. In 1851 the family came to Utah and settled in Provo, where they lived till 1861 when they went to St. George in response to a call for pioneers for Dixie. For the last two years the deceased and her husband have made their home with their daughters in this city. Mrs. Barney did not suffer severely during her last illness, but she took scarcely any nourishment. She was satisfied in her own mind that the time for her departure had come, and anxiously awaited the change. Her husband, who, considering his age, is in good health, and five children, numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren and two great-grandchildren are left to honor her memory.

FROM MONDAY'S DAILY, DECEMBER 27.

Elder Thomas S. Cook of Blaine, Davis county, has just returned from the mission field. Elder Cook left home on the 24th of November, 1895, and for twenty-two months labored in the Indiana conference. The latter three months he labored in Minneapolis. He returns in the best of health and reports the mission field in a thriving condition.

Elder E. M. Waddoups of East Bountiful called on the "News" Thursday and reported his return from the Southern Indiana conference, where he has been laboring as a missionary of the Gospel. Elder Waddoups left this

city Dec. 6, 1895, and reports a good work in that part of the vineyard. He had measurably good health while away and greatly enjoyed his labors.

Elder Daniel Bodily of Kaysville, Davis county, who was injured in the Chicago & Northwestern wreck at Vail, Iowa, while returning from the mission field, reached home on the 21st inst. After the accident he remained in the hospital two days, when he resumed his homeward journey. Elder Bodily left home on November 16, 1895, and went to the Northern States' mission. Three months of his time was spent in Missouri, and from then on he labored in Chicago until released to return home. He enjoyed good health.

Manti Messenger: Three of our enterprising citizens, Joseph Judd, E. V. Hardy and Wm. D. Livingston purchased the old opera house last Monday, for the purpose of establishing a creamery in Manti. No doubt the citizens of Sterling and Manti who have been hauling their milk to the Ephraim creamery will rejoice to hear the glad news, that before long they will be able to dispose of their milk in the Temple city. The best of care should be given to milk cows by all owners, who intend giving their support to this worthy institution.

Mt. Pleasant Pyramid: Some three weeks ago, Andrew Anderson (Vissing) made a journey to Salt Lake City in a wagon. On the return trip he was caught in an extremely cold storm while coming up Salt Creek canyon, this side of Nephi. He noticed his feet were unusually cold, but not until after arriving at Fountain Green did he discover that they were frozen stiff. He was brought home, and since then has been perfectly helpless, and has suffered very much from the pain in his feet. He is improving somewhat, but is still in a bad condition.

Elder Ernest R. Needham of Logan reached this city yesterday (Sunday) on his return from a mission to the Southern States. He was absent 33 months, and labored in the East Tennessee conference all the time. This conference embraces the western part of North Carolina, which was Elder Needham's field part of the time. He returns in good health and spirits.

Elder Erastus K. Fillerup of Lake View, Utah county, who was Elder Needham's traveling companion, accompanied him to this office. Elder Fillerup was absent thirty-two months, and like his companion, returns in good health and feeling well.

Brigham City Bugler: Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Rohwer are rejoicing over the narrow escape their babe had from serious results. Ten days ago they noticed a pimple on the chubby arm of Fenton, their year-old babe. "A mosquito bite" was the conclusion. But the sore spot was noticed again this week. When Mrs. Rohwer pressed on the "pimple" she saw the skin protrude on the opposite side of the arm. They then knew that some foreign object was in the arm. The baby was taken to Ogden. Thursday Dr. Perkins removed a needle. It was black from its long stay and was over an inch in length. The doctor says if undiscovered it might have worked its way to the brain, or lodged in a joint with serious results. Needles buried in the flesh of active children pass quickly through the system.

Wellston, O., Dec. 20, 1897.

Would you please put a notice in your paper asking information in regard to one Evan Evans, who left his home in Shawnee, Perry county Ohio, about 12 years ago? When last heard of he was seen on the streets of your city about five years ago. His age is about 35 years he is about 5 feet 7 or 8 inches tall with black, curly hair and brown