

## THE LEGISLATURE.

## COUNCIL.

Upon the reassembling of the Council after the recess yesterday afternoon a message was received from the House, stating that that body had effected a permanent organization.

Councilor Sharp introduced a resolution, providing, the House concurring, that each house elect a minute clerk and usher to serve during the session, the former at a compensation of \$5 per day and the latter of \$4 per day, both to be paid out of the Territorial treasury. Carried.

A message was received from the House, announcing its adoption of a concurrent resolution providing that a committee of three of the House and a like number of the Council be appointed by the Speaker and President respectively to wait upon His Excellency the Governor and inform him of the permanent organization of the Assembly.

Councilors Barton, Page and Shurtliff were appointed on behalf of the Council.

A message was received from the House announcing its concurrence in the resolution providing for the election of minute clerks and ushers and giving the names of its appointees. The Council elected Mr. V. L. Halliday its minute clerk, and Mr. Alfred Ridges, usher.

A message from the House was read, stating that it had adopted a concurrent resolution, ordering that 100 copies of the daily minutes, and 200 copies of the names and residences of the members and officers-elect, with the standing committees of each house, be printed for the use of the members of the Assembly.

On motion of Councilor Sharp the Council concurred.

A message from the House was read, stating that it had adopted a resolution, the Council concurring, ordering the sergeant-at-arms of each house to furnish to each member of the Assembly and the chief clerks of the Assembly four daily papers or their equivalents, in other periodicals, also the necessary postage stamps, during the session, etc. The resolution was concurred in.

The Council then adjourned until 2 p. m. to-day.

## HOUSE.

The committee appointed by the House to wait on the Governor were Messrs. S. R. Thurman, Jos. A. West and John Q. Cannon.

Mr. West offered a resolution that the standing rules of the 26th session be adopted by the members of this house, and that 500 copies be printed for the use of the members. After some discussion the resolution was adopted unanimously.

A communication was read from the Council that a resolution had been adopted providing for the election of a minute clerk by each house at \$5 per day, and an usher at \$4, to be paid out of the Territorial Treasury. The House concurred.

Daniel Harrington was elected minute clerk and Daniel Leatham usher of the House.

Mr. West moved the resolution, the Council concurring, that 100 copies of the daily minutes of this house be printed for the use of the members, and that 200 copies of the names and residences of officers and standing committees be also printed for the use of the Assembly. Adopted.

Mr. E. Stratford moved as a resolution, the Council concurring, that the sergeant-at-arms of each house be requested to furnish the members one copy each of four daily papers or other periodicals equivalent, postage stamps to be paid for out of the Territorial treasury.

On motion of Mr. Clark, the House adjourned till Tuesday, at 2 p. m.

From 1 o'clock till 2 p. m. to-day, the members of both Houses spent the time in special caucuses, after which the Speaker called the solons to order. After the roll call and prayer, they proceeded to business. Nearly every member was in his place, and a large number of spectators were present, among whom were quite a sprinkling of ladies.

The chief clerk read the minutes of the first day's doings, which were approved.

The committee appointed to wait on His Excellency the Governor, reported that the Governor would meet the Assembly at 3 p. m. to-day, and a concurrent resolution was adopted appointing the above named hour for a meeting of both houses in joint session.

The Council gave notice of concurrence in the House resolution in reference to printing.

The House then took a recess for 15 minutes.

During recess, Chief Justice C. S. Zane, and Associate Justices J. S. Boreman and O. W. Powers, entered the House, escorted by Hon. A. L. Thomas. At 3 o'clock the members of the Chamber took their seats, and immediately afterwards His Excellency was announced by the Speaker. The Governor then read his message, as it appears in our columns.

## COUNCIL—JAN. 12.

The Legislative Council was called to order by the President at 2 p. m.

After roll call and prayer by the Chaplain, the journal of the previous day's proceedings was read and approved.

Mr. Barton reported that the committee had waited on the Governor and

that His Excellency would communicate with the assembly at 3 p. m.

The printing committee was instructed to advertise for bids for the printing of that part of the session's work not included in the government appropriation.

Copies of the compiled laws were ordered to be placed upon the desks of the President, members and chief clerk of the Council.

A communication was read from the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone Company, offering an instrument for the free use of the Council. The offer was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Sharp the courtesies of the Council were extended to the Federal, Territorial, County and Municipal officers.

The President then announced the following

## STANDING COMMITTEES:

Elections—Shurtliff, Grover, Taylor, Barton and Slack.

Judiciary—Grover, Hammond, Sharp, Francis and Shurtliff.

Claims and Public Accounts—Francis, Heybourne and Taylor.

Appropriations—Hammond, Sharp, Tuttle and Taylor.

Ways and Means—Sharp, Page and Tuttle.

Counties—Barton, Slack and Heybourne.

Engrossment—Taylor, Page and Barton.

Education—Hammond, Page, Sharp, Slack and Shurtliff.

Agriculture—Grover, Heybourne and Barton.

Manufactures and Commerce—Tuttle, Shurtliff and Grover.

Militia—Heybourne, Tuttle and Taylor.

Penitentiary and Reform Schools—Slack, Tuttle and Francis.

Irrigation—Barton, Hammond, Heybourne and Page.

Fish and Game—Sharp, Tuttle and Grover.

Mines and Mining—Slack, Barton, Grover and Tuttle.

Private Corporations—Francis, Hammond, Sharp and Shurtliff.

Municipal Corporations and Towns—Grover, Barton, Sharp and Francis.

Asylum for Insane—Page, Hammond and Shurtliff.

Public Health—Shurtliff, Sharp and Francis.

Rules—Page, Slack and Heybourne.

## JOINT COMMITTEES—COUNCIL.

Contingent Expenses—Heybourne, Francis and Slack.

Enrollment—Hammond, Barton and Taylor.

Public Printing—Taylor, Grover and Page.

Territorial Library—Tuttle, Hammond and Heybourne.

At 3 p. m. the Council met with the House in joint session, to receive the Governor's message.

When the Council again convened, a committee was appointed to confer with a like committee from the House with regard to an hour for future meetings.

The Council then adjourned until 2 p. m. Wednesday.

## HOUSE—JAN. 12.

In joint session the Governor's message occupied one hour in reading, during which time the most profound silence prevailed, and the recitation was apparently listened to with intense interest and marked attention. The Governor endeavored to be very impressive and strongly emphasized many passages in the gubernatorial document which he seemed most anxious to rivet on the memories of the legislators. At the conclusion of the reading the Assembly drew a long respiration of relief.

Councilor Hammond offered a resolution providing that the "message be received, spread upon the records and printed under the rules." Adopted.

On motion of Councilor Jas. Sharp, the joint session dissolved.

The House resumed its sitting, and the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone Company tendered, and the House accepted with thanks, the free use of an instrument during the session.

Messrs. Rider, Cannon and Farnsworth were appointed as a committee on public printing.

Messrs. Thurman and Clark were appointed a committee to investigate the practicability of compiling the existing laws of Utah and those which should be passed at this session, and were instructed to report to the House on Friday next.

After the appointment of a committee to act with a similar one from the Council to arrange a regular hour for meeting each day in the future, the House adjourned until Wednesday at 2 p. m.

## JAN. 13.

The Council met at 2 p. m., and the first business was the reading of the journal of the previous day's proceedings, which was adopted.

Mr. Hammond called the attention of the President that the committee on highways had been omitted.

The following were therefore appointed: Page, Francis and Heybourne.

Mr. Hammond presented a petition from the inhabitants of Smithfield, Cache County, asking that their municipal boundaries be changed; referred to the committee on corporations and towns.

A message from the House was received concurring in the resolution to commence each day's session at 2 p. m.; also one asking for the appointment of a committee in connection with the House, to revise the compiled and session laws; adopted on motion of

Mr. Page, and Page, Hammond and Grover appointed said committee.

Mr. Sharp presented a bill amending section 14, chapter 29 of the last session laws on poll tax, which was read the first time and referred to the committee on municipal corporations and towns.

Mr. Grover presented a bill prescribing the boundaries of Juab County; referred to the committee on counties, on motion of Mr. Grover.

Mr. Hammond presented a bill to amend the Smithfield City charter, and Mr. Barton one to amend Section 7 of the Code of Civil Procedure, which was referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Francis presented a bill to amend Sec. 173 of the Compiled Laws, extending the terms of probate judges to four years. Referred to the committee on judiciary.

Secretary Thomas administered the oath to Mr. Halliday, minute clerk, after which adjournment was taken till 2 p. m. on Thursday.

## JAN. 13.

During the morning and the early hours of the afternoon quite a number of the members enjoyed their leisure time in chatting, reading the News and other Territorial papers, periodicals, etc., writing to their friends, and exchanging views on the policies and public questions of the day. All appeared to be hale, hearty and in excellent spirits and prepared to settle down to business in real earnest.

At 2 p. m. the Speaker was in his chair and nearly all the members were seated at their desks. The roll was called, and the minutes of Tuesday's session were approved.

The engrossing and enrolling clerks, messenger, ushers and doorkeepers were then sworn in, the oath being administered by Secretary Thomas.

The Speaker announced that the committee to take into consideration the compilation of the existing laws of Utah would be Thurman, Cannon and Klug.

The following is a list of the

## STANDING COMMITTEES.

Elections—Baty, Clark, Smoot, King and Stewart.

Judiciary—Hatch, Thurman, Cannon, Woolley, Stratford, Clark and Kimball.

Claims and Public Accounts—Thurman, Clark, Creer, Houston and Thurber.

Appropriations—Clark, Hatch, Howell, Young, McCullough, King and Rider.

Ways and Means—Stratford, West, Cannon, Lund and Farnsworth.

Counties—Hatch, Thurber, Young, Farnsworth and Stratford.

Highways—Howell, McCullough, Thurber, Woolley and West.

Engrossment—McLaughlin, Woolley and Smoot.

Education—Cannon, Thurman, Kimball, Rider and Howell.

Agriculture—Kimball, Anderson, Houston, Lund and McCullough.

Manufactures and Commerce—Stewart, Creer, McLaughlin, Lund and Howell.

Militia—Houston, Stewart and King.

Penitentiary and Reform School—Lund, West, Cannon, Smoot and Baty.

Irrigation—King, Woolley, Creer, Houston, Anderson, Farnsworth and Kimball.

Fish and Game—Thurber, Stratford and Anderson.

Mines and Mining—Farnsworth, Hatch, Stewart, McLaughlin, Smoot, Rider and Thurber.

Private Corporations—Creer, Baty, Thurman, Howell and Lund.

Municipal Corporations and Towns—Thurman, West, Baty, Clark and Anderson.

Asylum for the Insane—Smoot, Stewart, Young, Stratford and Houston.

Public Health—Young, McLaughlin and McCullough.

Rules—McCullough, McLaughlin and Rider.

Contingent Expenses—Anderson, Hatch and Klug.

## JOINT COMMITTEES.

Enrollment—West, Young and Baty.

Public Printing—Rider, Cannon and Farnsworth.

Territorial Library—Woolley, Creer and Kimball.

Mr. King introduced a resolution amending the rules by striking out the committee on irrigation and substituting in the place thereof "a committee on live stock and irrigation."

Mr. King addressed the House briefly in favor of the resolution, as did also Mr. Hatch and Mr. Creer. Messrs. Kimball and Howell opposed the resolution in the present form.

Mr. West advocated the appointment of a new committee for this purpose.

After remarks by Messrs. Thurman and Cannon, the resolution was adopted.

A concurrent resolution was adopted to provide the engrossing and minute clerks, messenger, chaplain and usher with four daily papers, stationery and postage stamps during the session. It was carried, but not by an overwhelming majority.

## HOUSE—JAN. 13.

During the afternoon the report of the property on hand in the hands of the Territorial Auditor, was read and approved.

After some discussion, on motion of Thurman, the chief clerk of the House was instructed to notify the persons named in Rule 24, including the executive, judicial, military and civil authorities, etc., that they were accorded the freedom of the House.

A resolution was adopted instructing and requiring the Sergeant-at-arms to

keep a strict account of the books, stationery, etc., furnished the members and officers of the House, to be paid for out of the Territorial treasury.

Mr. Thurman asked and obtained permission and introduced a bill providing for the selection and payment of jurors, which was read the first time. The bill provides that the jurors shall receive a compensation of \$2 per day, and a mileage of 12 cents per mile; referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Young was excused to return home in consequence of sickness in his family.

A bill was introduced by Mr. West to amend an act authorizing courts to grant licenses. The intent of the bill is to correct the practices which have obtained in some counties that all classes of merchants, no matter what their capital may be, claim that they should pay a uniform license; referred to the judiciary committee.

Mr. West also introduced a bill providing that: "After conviction of an offense not punishable with death, the defendant who has appealed shall, on application therefor, be admitted to bail as a matter of right." The bill was read the first time and referred to the judiciary.

Mr. Hatch reported that the joint committee, appointed to settle on an hour of meeting in future, had decided on the hour of 2 p. m. This being the most convenient time. Adjourned till 2 p. m. Thursday.

## COUNCIL—JAN. 14.

The Council met at 2 p. m., as per adjournment, and after the usual opening exercises, the journal of the previous day's proceedings was read and adopted.

A message was received from the House, concurring with the Council in allowing stationery, postage stamps and four newspapers or their equivalent in other periodicals to the minute and enrolling clerks, sergeant-at-arms, messenger, watchman, chaplain and members of both houses.

## REPORTS.

Mr. Taylor reported that the committee on public printing had considered the appointment of a public printer, and Thos. E. Taylor had been recommended for that position.

Mr. Hammond asked if the committee had advertised for bids, and Mr. Taylor replied that all printing offices had sent in their bids and that of the News being the lowest it was accepted; report adopted on motion Mr. Sharp.

Mr. Grover, from the committee on municipal corporations reported C. F. No. 3 without amendments, and a second reading was ordered.

Mr. Grover, of the judiciary committee, reported C. F. No. 1, with one amendment, and moved that the bill be filed for second reading. The clerk read the amendment, when the report was adopted.

Mr. Page reported from the committee on compilation that committees of both houses had considered the question of compiling the laws, and recommended that a committee be appointed.

## NEW BILLS

were introduced by Messrs. Page and Hammond to amend certain sections of the laws of 1884, the first of which was referred to the judiciary and the other placed on file for second reading.

Mr. Barton presented a bill pertaining to highways, which was read by its title and referred to the committee on highways.

Mr. Sharp presented a bill to amend certain sections of the Compiled Laws of Utah, which was referred to the committee on judiciary.

A communication from the House was received, approving the appointment of Thos. E. Taylor as public printer.

On second reading of C. F. No. 3, "Amending the charter of Smithfield City, Cache County, changing the boundaries thereof," it was ordered printed.

C. F. No. 1, "Amending section 14, chapter 29, of the laws of 1880, on poll tax," was also ordered printed.

C. F. No. 7, amending sections 4 and 5 of chapter 6, Laws of 1884, was read a second time and ordered printed and placed on general file, on motion of Mr. Hammond.

After a few unimportant motions on miscellaneous business, the Council adjourned.

## HOUSE—JAN. 14.

At the hour announced the Speaker called the House to order, and the roll showed a quorum present. Prayer was offered, the previous minutes were read and approved, and the solons proceeded to business.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Rider, from the committee on printing, reported that the joint committee had recommended Mr. Thos. E. Taylor as public printer. After due consideration, Mr. Hatch moved that the report be recommended for further consideration, as the report did not state that Mr. Taylor's bid was the lowest. Mr. Rider stated that Mr. Taylor's was much the lowest.

After some discussion, in which Messrs. Hatch, Thurman, Cannon and Young participated, the vote to recommit was lost, and the report of the committee was adopted. In reply to a question by Mr. Hatch as to whether there was not a fund appropriated by the general Government for this purpose, Mr. West replied in the negative.

Mr. Cannon said bids had been solicited from all the printing offices here,

and all had been canvassed, and Mr. Taylor's was the lowest.

On motion of Mr. West, Mr. Thos. E. Taylor was elected Public Printer of all matter not provided for by Congressional appropriations.

Mr. Thurman, chairman, from the select committee on compilation, recommended that said laws be compiled, and presented a resolution that Arthur L. Thomas be appointed to compile said laws, and that he be paid out of the funds in the Territorial Treasury. The report was adopted, and the consideration of the resolution was deferred.

## HOUSE—JAN. 14.

Mr. West introduced a bill in relation to the payment of jurors.

Mr. Creer introduced a bill to amend certain sections of an act in reference to summonses in justices' courts.

Mr. Thurman introduced a bill to amend the code of civil procedure.

These bills were read and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Kimball introduced a bill regulating the driving and shipping of horned stock, horses and sheep.

The Speaker appointed the following committees:

On Agriculture and Irrigation—King, Anderson, McCullough, Lund and Houston.

On Live Stock—Kimball, Woolley, Anderson, Klug, Farnsworth and Houston.

Mr. Thurman introduced the following:

Resolved, by the Governor and Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Utah, That a committee of five, (the Speaker selected Messrs. S. R. Thurman, R. H. Baty, W. H. King, Jos. A. West and Joseph Howell) associated with Arthur L. Thomas, Secretary of the Territory of Utah, is hereby appointed and authorized to proceed at once and arrange and compile in convenient form, under the direction of the Legislature, all the existing laws of Utah in force, and all laws and amendments that may be made from time to time during the present session of the Legislature, and present the same in one bill to the Legislature, on or before March 1st, A. D. 1888.

Resolved, further, that said persons are hereby authorized to employ such assistance as may be necessary in the prosecution of said work, the expenses of which shall be paid out of the Territorial treasury.

Resolved, further, that the said Hon. Arthur L. Thomas shall receive for his services herein such compensation as may be provided by the Governor and Legislative Assembly.

The resolution was read twice, after which the rules were suspended, and the resolution passed to its third reading.

After careful consideration, the resolution passed, all the members except Mr. McLaughlin voting "aye." Mr. McLaughlin stated that he was not in sympathy with the resolution, and declined to act on the committee, the name of Joseph Howell being substituted.

A motion of Mr. Smoot, that the auditor be instructed to make immediate distribution of 200 of Hon. Joseph A. West's maps of Utah, was ruled out of order.

The bill introduced by Mr. West, relating to bail, was reported back from the committee on judiciary, who recommended that it be put on its passage.

The House then adjourned until 2 p. m. Friday.

## COUNCIL—JAN. 15.

Council met as per adjournment at 2 p. m. After the usual opening ceremonies and roll call, the journal of Thursday was read and approved.

## BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Sharp—For the further protection of fish and game; referred to the committee on fish and game.

By Mr. Slack—Amending the school law; referred to the committee on education.

By Mr. Hammond—Amending the code of civil procedure; referred to the committee on judiciary.

The House joint resolution appointing a committee to compile all the laws of Utah and present the same in one bill by the first day of March, was referred to the committee on judiciary.

The sergeant-at-arms was instructed to purchase for the use of the Council one copy of the Revised Statutes of the United States, with supplement, and one copy of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary.

C. F. No. 3, "an act to amend an act incorporating the City of Smithfield, in Cache County," passed the Council and was sent to the House.

The bill in relation to poll tax was taken up and considered.

## HOUSE—JAN. 15.

The House convened at 2 p. m., and the minutes of the previous day were read, amended and approved.

The rules were suspended to permit Mr. Hatch to introduce a resolution providing that out of respect to the memory of Hon. William Jennings, formerly a member of this branch of the Legislature, the House adjourn to Monday, Jan. 18, at 2 p. m.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

## COUNCIL—Jan. 15.

The News went to press yesterday afternoon before the discussion on the poll tax amendment was concluded.

Mr. Sharp's motion to amend the bill so as to read "all able-bodied men