

the train for home, they became separated. David sat in a car near the engine and Roy boarded one near the rear of the train. Soon after leaving Saltair Roy says he thought he saw the body of his playmate lying alongside the truck, but being uncertain he did not speak to the conductor.

On reaching the city Roy went to David's home, and finding that he had not arrived, told his parents what he had seen. Immediately a party went in search of the missing boy, and he was found in an unconscious condition near the track about two miles from Saltair. He was conveyed home and medical aid was quickly summoned. His head and face were bruised and bleeding and he was delirious. It was at first thought that the skull was fractured in the upper and front part of the head, and that an operation would have to be performed, and the boy was removed to St. Mark's hospital.

He remained unconscious or delirious from the time he was hurt on Friday evening until Sunday morning, when he became rational. By this time it was ascertained that the internal injuries it was feared he had sustained were nothing more dangerous than a serious shaking up of the system, and that the injuries to the head would probably not require an operation. The boy's father, an old and valued employe of Elias Morris, informed a News representative today that the patient was progressing favorably.

On regaining consciousness, the boy explained how he came to fall from the train by saying that while sitting in the car he went to sleep. He bears an excellent reputation as a good, steady boy.

Hon. A. H. Cannon, who left for the Pacific coast two weeks ago on business connected with the Utah and California railroad, has returned home under rather unfavorable circumstances so far as his health is concerned. While not confined to his bed he is suffering from severe pains in the head and is considerably reduced in flesh on account of a loss of sleep, but he expects to be at his office most of the time from now on.

From a business point of view Mr. Cannon's trip was a very successful one. He went from here direct to Los Angeles, while Hon. R. C. Lund branched off to Carson City, Nevada, where he filed articles of incorporation of the Utah and California railroad. At Los Angeles, Mr. Cannon said, "I met the gentlemen having control of the Nevada Southern. From them I received the assurances of hearty co-operation in the carrying out of our enterprise. The people of Southern California are very friendly and look with encouragement upon our efforts. When I was there a year ago I did not receive as much encouragement as on this occasion when the advantages of getting cheap coal from Utah was presented. Then oil was being sold at thirty cents a barrel and the supply seemed inexhaustible. Now it is selling at \$1.25 per barrel and the supply appears to be diminishing. Consequently Utah coal will be greatly appreciated."

"One other important reason I had for undertaking the trip was to arrange for the operations of the Sterling mine in western Nevada. The property has

been inspected by men of highest standing and by them pronounced as being very promising. The property can be successfully and profitably worked now. Our proposed railroad will make it much more valuable. The new road will pass within forty miles of it.

"I had thought of coming home across the country by team," continued Mr. Cannon, "to examine the route of the Utah & California but the intense heat and my illness prevented me from doing so. This trip, therefore, has of necessity been postponed until later in the season when the weather will be cooler and when it can be more comfortably and profitably made."

### TAX OF SEVEN MILLS

A special session of the City Council was had Monday in accordance with the following letter from Mayor Glendinning:

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, July 6, 1896.

To the Honorable the City Council:

Gentlemen: I have called you together in special session this evening that you may take such action as may be deemed expedient in reference to determining the rate of the city tax for 1896, and for the purpose of levying the same and certifying the rate and levy to the county clerk as required by law.

The statute requires that this be done on or before the first Monday in July in each year, and I do not deem it the part of wisdom to postpone this important duty to a later date than today. Respectfully,

JAMES GLENDINNING,

Mayor.

The question of the amount of the city tax for 1896 was the only one before the meeting and Councilman Stewart opened up with a presentation of the following table in favor of an eight-mill tax:

Interest on indebtedness.....	\$127,400
Bills payable.....	25,100
Judgments against city.....	16,000
Removing catch basins.....	2,800
New fire station.....	5,500
Street lighting.....	20,000
Street sprinkling.....	20,000
Fifth South street sewer.....	5,000
Amount required for the different departments.....	300,000
Total.....	\$329,500

Receipts (estimated)—	
Liquor licenses.....	\$90,000
Water tax.....	70,000
Merchants' licenses.....	70,000
Miscellaneous.....	20,000—200,000

Apparent deficiency.....\$329,500

Mr. Stewart urged that the assessed valuation of the city which can be relied on will be \$35,000,000 and that an eight-mill tax even would not cover his estimated deficiency of \$329,500. Others of the members were certain that Mr. Stewart's estimate was entirely too high and that a tax of seven mills would be ample.

Mr. Callister introduced an ordinance for a seven-mill tax and Mr. Stewart presented one for a tax of eight mills. The rules were suspended and Mr. Stewart's bill was read the first, second and third times, amended so as to make the tax seven mills and passed. It was as follows:

A bill for an ordinance levying a tax on the assessed value of the taxable property within the corporate limits of Salt Lake City, county of Salt Lake, State of Utah, for the year 1896.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the City Council of Salt Lake City that there be

and is hereby levied on all the real and personal property situate, lying and being within the corporate limits of Salt Lake City, made taxable by the laws of said State and the ordinances of said city, 7 mills on the dollar, as follows, to-wit:

First—To defray the contingent expenses of said city, 5 mills on the dollar.

Second—To defray the expenses of controlling the waters of said city, 1½ mills on the dollar.

Third—To defray the expenses of opening, improving and keeping in repair the streets and sidewalks of said city, ½ mill on the dollar.

Fourth—To defray the expenses of constructing and keeping in repair the sewers and drains in said city, ¼ mill on the dollar.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect from and after its approval.

### NOTES.

A big rattlesnake with twenty rattles was killed near Towles last week.

Omaha Stockman: Preston Nutter, a prominent Utah stockman, brought in nine cars of range cattle from Klowa, Utah.

The Kansas City exchange last Thursday, by vote of 135 to 14, decided to raise the membership fee from \$1,000 to \$2,500.

John Zimmerman, a logger, was run over and killed by a logging train at George Schaffer's mill Truckee, Cal., Sunday afternoon.

Quail are very numerous at Winchester, San Diego county, Cal., and orchardists complain that they are very destructive to ripe apricots.

As the result of a rabbit drive in Rialto and Bloomington, Cal., recently, the number of these predatory animals was decreased by about 2,000.

Henry Patterson, while intoxicated, fell into a creek at Yellow Jacket, Idaho, and the swift-running waters soon beat his life out on the rocks.

Fendal Adams, aged 23 years, was drowned in the Umpqua river, a half mile north of Roseburg, Oregon, while bathing with some companions.

There will be a wheelmen's meet at Stockton, Cal., on August 9th, at which it is proposed to carve over 6,000 San Joaquin watermelons as refreshments.

An increase of 20,244 sheep is the record of Yakima county, Wash., for the past year. In 1895 there were 79,776 sheep in the county, and now there are upward of 100,000.

St. Johns, Arizona, Herald: The Latter-day Saints organization have established a Sunday school at Holbrook, and also hold religious services every alternate Sunday.

Small boys at San Jacinto, Cal., started a fire to burn out a rattler. The snake was killed, timber valued at thousands of dollars has been destroyed and to July 21 the fire was still burning.

Very Rev. Thomas Larkin, S. M., president of All Hallows' college, Salt Lake, was the preacher at Notre Dame des Victoires, San Francisco, Cal., on Sunday. Father Larkin spoke in English to the French congregation. He took his text from Matthew viii: 1-9, "I have compassion on the multitude."