

lieved it would be wise to accept the tax offered, and allow the injunction to stand.

On motion of Mr. James, the attorney was instructed to employ Messrs. Dickson and Rawlins as he requested, and in the case of Raybould et al. the recommendations of the city attorney were concurred in.

Recorder Hyams reported that the bonds of City Attorney Merritt and assessor and collector of water rates Diehl had been filed and approved.

The city recorder presented the following report:

Gentlemen—In compliance with your request I beg leave to report as follows on the subject matters that were referred to me at the last session of the council, namely, the status of the city in relation to the new City Hall building and the amount of money expended, if any, on the grading of Ninth North Street.

In relation to the new City Hall building I find the following to be on record:

"SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 2, 1890.

"Hon. the Mayor and City Council, Salt Lake City:

"Gentlemen—Your committee on improvements, associated with the committee from the county court, to whom were referred the plans submitted in competition in accordance with previous advertisement for joint city hall and court house, to be erected on the corner of First South and First East streets, this city, respectfully report that we have carefully examined the several plans and find that those executed and presented by Mr. C. R. Apponyi are, in our opinion, the best adapted for our wants, and we therefore award, subject to your approval and that of the county court, the premium of \$250 to that gentleman.

"We also award the second premium of \$100 to Mr. William Ward, architect, for the second best plans.

"We further recommend that Mr. Apponyi be engaged to prepare the plans and specifications necessary to proceed with the construction of said building.

"We further recommend that the work of excavation for the basement of said building be begun forthwith, under the direction of the Mayor, and that city prison labor be employed to do said excavation, Salt Lake County to pay to the city at the rate of 12½ cents per cubic yard of earth removed, and that the supervisor of streets be instructed to use the gravel taken from said excavation on the streets heretofore ordered to be improved.

Respectfully,

W. S. MCCORMICK,

JOHN CLARK,

J. FLEWSON SMITH,

Committee on Improvements."

This report was approved by the Council on the 2nd of January.

On January 28, I find that Alderman McCormick, chairman of the committee on improvements, made the following verbal statement:

"That Mr. C. R. Apponyi, architect, was preparing the necessary working plans for the joint city and county building and desired that a contract be executed between himself, the city and county."

On motion of Alderman Riter this was referred to the committee on improvements with instructions to confer with the county committee and report at the next meeting, and said subject was made the special order for the next meeting.

I would state, however, that the sub-

ject was not taken up at the next meeting of the council, and nothing further has ever been done on the subject.

Relative to the grading of Ninth North Street, I would say that the supervisor of streets informed me that he had not done any work whatever on said street; whatever work has been or is being done at present on said street was done by the county authorities.

Respectfully yours,

LOUIS HYAMS.

City Recorder.

On suggestion of the Mayor, the report was received and referred to the committee on improvements, with instructions to confer with mechanics and others and see whether the building could be constructed for the amount which had been named.

The committee to whom was referred the request of the assessor, recommended that 300 block plats be made, the contract to be let to the lowest responsible bidder, and that the bidder be required to furnish bonds for the accuracy and early delivery of the work. Adopted.

Mr. Hall moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the assessor was authorized to let contracts for the block plats. As a matter of principle, he said, the bids should be submitted to the Council.

Mr. Clute urged that prompt action was necessary.

Mr. Hall did not think the matter was so urgent but that a few days' time could be allowed to elapse.

The motion to reconsider was put and carried, when Mr. Hall moved that the assessor obtain bids from the various abstract companies or others and submit them to the council on March 4th. The motion was carried.

J. R. Smith and sixty others protested against the proposed establishment of a pest house near the old woolen mills property on Parley's Creek. Referred.

The petition of Matilda Busby, asking to purchase certain city ground, was not granted.

The petition of Morrison, Merrill, & Co., asking the privilege to run a spur from the Utah Central trace to their yard, was granted.

A bill of the Utah Artesian Well Company was ordered paid.

The committee on rules and order of business asked further time, and it was granted.

The Salt Lake Rapid Transit Company accepted the franchise recently granted.

The East-Marshall Mercantile Company and the Salt Lake Brewing Company represented that they were about to erect manufactories which would use some twenty thousand to thirty-five thousand gallons of pure water daily, and asked that the committee on water works give them a hearing. Granted.

The question of salaries for the new officers was referred to the committee on finance.

Joseph Hawks asked to be allowed to repaint the city flag pole, he to furnish all labor and material.

Several liquor licenses were granted.

The following nominations for policemen were presented: S. C.

Haller, W. N. McCurdy, W. B. Parker, E. M. Jenney, C. H. Gaetz, C. C. Lange, J. H. Curran, George P. Albright, J. H. Raleigh, B. D. Seigfuss, M. Merrill, A. E. Ecklund, C. G. Berkner, R. Thornton, T. W. Matthews and W. Hilton.

Mr. James wanted the confirmation of the appointees postponed until March 4th, but his motion was defeated and the appointees were confirmed.

On motion of Mr. Parsons, the appointment of a city surveyor was postponed for a week.

Mr. Hall made a few remarks in reference to the advisability of appointing an electric inspector, and the Council adjourned until Tuesday, March 4th.

THE SALVATIONISTS.

In glancing over the police items in your last night's issue I saw an account of the arrest of two Salvation army paraders for blowing horns and beating drums on Sunday evening. Now, sir, I do not know the person or persons that entered the complaint and caused the arrest, neither do I wish to; but with your permission I would like briefly to review this affair. Salt Lake City has just passed through a dreadful affliction (not *la grippe*) but worse, viz., the drum corps fever, which has struck every section of this city for the last three or four months, raging from Sunday morning till Saturday night without any cessation. Drums, fifes, brass bands, tin oil cans, horns and tin pans have been brought into use, accompanied occasionally by sky rockets, Roman candles, firecrackers, bombs, bonfires, etc.

In all this campaign, where is the first instance of a complaint on either party, Liberal or People's? And yet two men with drum and horn must be arrested because they were creating a nuisance. Perhaps the complainant is an Episcopalian or Catholic or Lutheran. What about the noise of his church bells, which can be heard all over the city? Perhaps he is a member of some lodge. Should any brother die and be buried on a Sunday, in all probability a band of music would precede the procession. What citizen would complain of the bells or the doleful dirge played by the band? Such music gives most people the blues. And yet a few Salvation paraders with fife, drum, cornet and timbrel must be arrested because this is one of their modes of worship, which is as old as Israel.

It may be possible that the parties who entered the complaint did it in some very strong language, such as is not taught in a Sunday School; yet this would not be noticed, although there is a city ordinance making the use of such language a punishable offense. But the poor earnest Salvationist, who sings praises, talks about his Savior and plays his drum must be arrested.

The complainant may say, "I don't like them; they are cranks. Listen to their talk; look at their dress. They are a set of cranks." All new religious denominations