

compliment Texas. We are honored by your request and thank you therefor. I was in Salt Lake City in 1853, passing through on my way from California to Missouri, and viewed the foundation of the great Temple, and on a subsequent visit, a few years ago, saw the still unfinished edifice and admired the wonderful development of the city.

With cordial respect, in which the governor joins me, I am,

Yours very truly,
A. J. ROSE,
Commissioner.

MINNESOTA.

The northern companion of Texas in having a city which will provide one of the table supports is Minnesota, and Governor Nelson sends the following from his home at Alexandria:

Dear Sir:—I sent you day before yesterday a piece of native hardwood oak, as you requested, by express, which I think you will find satisfactory.

Yours truly,
KNUTE NELSON.

St. Paul, the capital city, compliments us by the following, from the chamber of commerce:

Dear Sir:—Your favor of the 28th ult. came to hand on the 1st inst., too late to be laid before the meeting of our board of directors held that day, but at the meeting of the board on Monday, the 8th inst., the matter was considered, and the secretary was instructed to procure the piece of wood you desired for a table leg, and send it to you. The St. Paul Furniture Co., of this city, a concern of whose exquisite workmanship St. Paul is justly proud, and whose card I enclose hereto, will today forward the piece of wood you request, which I trust will reach you speedily and in good condition, and prove in every way satisfactory. If you will kindly advise me of its receipt, upon its arrival, you will much oblige.

Yours truly,
J. L. BEAUMONT,
Secretary.

IOWA.

From the executive office at Des Moines, the governor's secretary writes:

My Dear Sir:—I am directed by the governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of March 6th. I am further directed to say that the governor today sends you by mail a piece of black walnut of native Iowa growth, taken from the top of an old table that was used in the first, or old Capitol building in Des Moines.

Trusting it will reach you, I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,
W. S. RICHARDS,
Private Secretary.

OHIO.

The Buckeye state also extends the courtesy requested, as shown by the following note, dated at Columbus:

Dear Sir:—Governor McKinley is in receipt of a recent communication from you asking for a piece of hardwood to be used in the construction of a table for the first State Legislature of Utah. The governor will endeavor to comply with your request.

Very respectfully,
JAS. BOYLE,
Private Secretary.

MISSOURI.

Missouri's response comes from Whiting, in good shape:

Dear Sir:—Yours of the 10th inst., to Gov. Stone, of this state, has been referred to us with the request that we comply with your wishes. It affords us pleasure to do so, and we have, this day, forwarded to your address two pieces of native wood, one sweet-gum and the

other oak, which we trust will answer the purpose.

Yours truly,
THE WARD LUMBER CO.
KENTUCKY.

Governor Brown's communication from Frankfort, tells what the Blue Grass state has done:

Dear Sir:—Yours of the 14th inst. received, and in reply to your inquiry will say that the piece of walnut timber I sent you was part of a tree cut on Benson Hills in 1846, and used in the construction of the bridge in this city that spanned the Kentucky river. This old wooden bridge was torn down in 1893, and an iron one was substituted.

Yours truly,
JOHN YOUNG BROWN.

NORTH DAKOTA.

Governor Roger Allin also promptly responded, as shown by the following, dated at Bismarck four days after Mr. Wilson's letter was mailed in this city:

Dear Sir:—Your favor of the 26th inst., addressed to Governor Allin, requesting specimens of hardwood, has been received, and your letter handed to Hon. W. W. Barrett, who will forward the specimen desired. I remain,

Yours respectfully,
WILL M. COCHRAN,
Private Secretary.

ARIZONA.

Our southern neighbor's reply is from the superintendent of the territorial prison at Yuma, who says:

Dear Sir:—Your favor of the 7th ult., to Governor L. C. Hughes was handed me by the governor, and in compliance with the request therein made, I forward you today, per Wells Fargo & Co.'s express, a piece of Arizona ironwood of the dimensions mentioned in your letter and which will, I hope, meet all the requirements of your purpose.

The cutting and polishing of this piece of wood was done by one of the inmates of the territorial prison.

Very respectfully,
THOMAS GATES,
Superintendent.

DIMENSIONS.

The table when completed will be three feet square and two feet six inches high. The center piece of Utah wood will be eight inches in diameter; and the circular division containing the wood from forty-four states will be eight inches in width.

With respect to the table now being made by John R. Wilson To be used to sign the first bill passed by the first Legislature of the State of Utah, Mr. Wilson desires it announced that there will be space after the representative pieces from the various states and territories are in place; and he invites any institution of learning, or scientific institution, publishing company, religious society or church, corporation or company, organization, or individual, anywhere in the United States who has got or can procure any piece of antique or historical hardwood—the piece not to exceed one inch in thickness and six inches wide by eight inches long—to send such piece to his address at Salt Lake City postoffice, with a short history of the piece. This will be received with thanks; and such pieces used as long as there is place left for them.

Lehi Banner: The sugar beets that were planted early are coming up very nicely and the farmers feel delighted at the prospects for a good stand.

WEATHER AND CROPS.

The U. S. department of agriculture, weather bureau, furnishes the following weather-drop bulletin of the Utah weather service, for the week ending April 23, 1895:

Weather—Warm, dry windy days, and cold, frosty nights, were the prevailing features of the weather during the past week. The sunshine was abundant and almost continuous. The temperature averaged slightly above the normal, while the precipitation was unusually deficient in all sections of the Territory. Frosts were of daily occurrence.

Crops—While the weather was all that could be desired for general farm work, the conditions were decidedly unfavorable for germinating seeds and growth of crops. The drying winds which prevailed nearly the whole week have deprived the soil of moisture, and unless it rains soon, the farmers will have to irrigate the grain to make it sprout and grow. At the close of the week spring seeding was practically finished, and in many districts the early sown grain was showing above ground and looking nicely. Fall wheat appears to be doing well, but is not making much headway on account of the cold nights and dry weather. The beet crop is all planted, and preparations are now being made for planting corn and potatoes. The lucern fields, pastures and meadows are looking quite green. In the southern sections of the Territory vegetation is well advanced and crops are making considerable headway. Early vegetables, such as radishes, lettuce, onions and asparagus, are in market. All reports indicate a good season for fruit. A good rain is needed to improve the condition of crops.

REMARKS OF CORRESPONDENTS.

Rich County—Randolph—Crops about all in; weather quite dry and warm. Winter wheat is doing well; garden planting is in order.

Millard County—Meadow—Weather fine and warm; no rain. All crops looking well; water plentiful; potatoes and vegetables being planted; prospect for crops good at present.

Solito—Warm, nice weather first part of week; cold northerly winds 20th, 21st and 22nd. Rain needed to bring up late grain; all that is out of the ground looks well.

Plute County—Kooabarem—Sowing just commenced; last few days quite cool.

Davis County—Kayaville—The dry weather still continues accompanied by extremely cold nights which are very injurious to grain and hay. Crops are not so far gone but that rain would save them.

Layton—The weather remains dry but not hot. A good warm rain would do a great deal of good. Crops are not growing very fast owing to the cool nights. Apricots, peaches and plums are in bloom, and other trees and shrubs are beginning to leaf; some potatoes are up.

Cache County—Lawlston—The past week has been unusually warm and drying for crops. Sunshine, warm, pleasant weather every day; we need rain. Very hard frost two or three nights; light frost every night. Small fruit leafing out in good shape; lucern quite green.