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The Council and the Salt Lake City Railroad Co.'s Franchise.

A LONG AND WEARY INNINGS.

Kindergarten Tactics and Juvenile-like Performances. — The Sprinkling Tax.—Water Pipe Contract.

"This will be a night of franchises and fights," said one of the municipal solons at 7:30 o'clock last night. This statement seemed to be generally agreed to by a majority of the eight councilmen present at that time. For nearly fifty minutes there was a good deal of button-holing and lobbying going on. At 8:20 President Loofbourow summoned to and sending himself on his cushioned chair, he looked down upon his subordinates and after exchanging greetings with Recorder Hanson whom he then saw for the first time since his return from the shores of the Pacific, he struck the table vigorously with his silver mounted, walnut gavel and ordered the roll called. The following members responded: Heles, Wandland, Bell, Horn, Moran, Hardy, Kerrick, Rich, Folland, Lawson, Simondi.

THE PROCEEDINGS.

On motion of Rich an ordinance re-enacting and confirming certain resolutions granting certain franchises to the Salt Lake City railway came up and was read the first and second times without discussion but upon it being taken up on third reading active sparring commenced. Loofbourow calling Councilman Evans to the chair and taking the floor himself first objected to an amendment offered by Moran to the effect that the additional franchises and privileges be granted upon the express condition that the company shall charge and collect a fare not to exceed five cents to all points within the limits of the city, and if at any time, the limits of the city shall be extended the same rate of fare shall be charged, and so note.

Loofbourow—I wish Brother Moran would withdraw that amendment. That part which says the company "shall charge and collect a fare not to exceed five cents." That would prevent the company from issuing passes to councilmen. (Laughter.)

Moran—I will withdraw it.

The company was willing to pave the streets between the rails and one foot on either side but the city attorney and city engineer sent in a report in which they were of the opinion that in addition to this the company should, pave between its rails, and tracks and also two feet on the outside of its outside rails.

Rich made a speech in opposition to this and Horn asked: "Shall the railway company be compelled to pave such parts of the street as are occupied by the telegraph and telephone companies?"

The city attorney—That is it precisely.

Loofbourow—Well, if the company objects to too much paving between its tracks I would recommend that it tear up one track and use a single one. This would satisfy the public very well.

Hardy offered the following amendment: That where all poles of twenty-one inches in diameter are set in the streets, that the Salt Lake City Railway company shall pave one foot on the outside of its tracks. The motion was lost on a vote of eleven to three.

Wandland — The Territorial law seems to provide for the paving of two feet on the outside of each outside rail. That being the case it appears to me that we should adjudicate the matter by either paying for or compelling the telegraph and telephone companies to pay for the paving in space between the double tracks.

Loofbourow moved that the company shall pave its different tracks and tracks, and between all the double tracks; also a space of two feet wide outside of the outside rails of the outside tracks, and the tracks herein referred to shall include not only the main tracks, but also all sidewalks, crossings and turnouts used by said company; and when any street or alley shall be occupied by the company and also by any other company with separate tracks, then each of said companies shall pave, repave and keep in repair its proportion of the surface of the street or alley as hereinbefore required; said outside rails to be construed to mean the outside rails of the main tracks, double tracks, sidetracks, turnouts or crossings used by said company.

Carried on a vote of eleven to three. Loofbourow also offered the following amendment which carried: "And provided, that the price of a single passage shall not exceed five cents within the corporate limits of the city and no charge shall be made in excess thereof notwithstanding the limits of the city may hereafter be extended."

For an hour more the much followed and almost every variety of motion known in parliamentary practice was made and voted down or ruled out of order.

Then Bell moved that said grantee "shall pay into the city treasury annually a tax of $140 per car."

Wandland offered the following as a substitute: That a one per cent tax on the gross earnings be paid to the city. Lost.

Bell's motion was then also put and lost.

Hardy moved that $25 per car per annum be charged for each and every car owned and operated by the company. Lost.

From this on until midnight the business transacted was not worthy the name and there was nothing but a series of kindergarten sparring bouts. Finally one out of many motions to adjourn carried, but not until the order of business was suspended and a resolution offered by Hardy was read, directing the mayor to exhibit a creditable and the location of all lots and pieces of ground to be benefited and abutting upon the streets in the sprinkling district, with the estimated cost of same and designating the time fixed by the City Council for determining whether the proposed sprinkling shall be done. The total cost will be $30,000 or 7 cents per linear foot frontage and the date fixed for determining whether or not the said sprinkling shall be done was May 29th beginning at 7:30 p. m. A caption.

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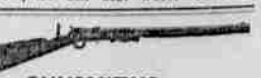

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