

FROM WEDNESDAY'S DAILY, JAN. 11.

## THE LEGISLATURE.

## Effort to Appoint a Commission to Compile the Laws.

The House manifests a disposition to get down to earnest work without delay. It would not have given the Speaker time to appoint the committee had he not suggested that he needed a day at least for the purpose. For this reason the House adjourned till two p. m. tomorrow.

As soon as the joint session was over, yesterday, at 3:50 o'clock the Speaker called the House to order.

Jones moved that the committee appointed to wait on the Governor be discharged with thanks. Carried.

Hatch offered a resolution requiring the sergeant-at-arms to hire a box at the post office for the use of members of the House. Carried.

Richards moved that the chief clerk be instructed to have the minutes printed pending the appointment of a public printer. Carried.

King moved the appointment of a committee of two to confer with a like committee of the Council in fixing an hour for the meetings of both houses. Carried, and the chair appointed King and Clark.

A concurrent resolution was offered to provide copies of daily papers and postage stamps for members. Carried. McLaughlin voted against it.

Thurman offered a joint resolution, appointing J. F. Hammond, J. G. Sutherland and W. C. Hall a commission to compile the laws, and appropriating \$2,400 for their remuneration. After a short debate, the point of order made by Richards was sustained that under rule 32 the resolution was out of order.

Thurman moved to suspend rule 32. Carried.

Moyle moved an adjournment until Thursday at 2 p. m. Thurman opposed, offering a disposition of his resolution. The motion to adjourn was lost. Creer moved that Rule 30 be suspended, which required the resolution to be passed on a day subsequent to its introduction if at all, the object being to push the resolution through without delay.

Hatch opposed haste in making the appropriation. Thurman urged the need of immediate action looking to a compilation of the laws, and depicted the deplorable condition they were in. He was not particular about specifying the remuneration.

The pending motion was carried and Rule 30 was suspended.

Hatch moved to fix the time of adjournment at 2 o'clock today, but on a suggestion from the speaker that he would like one day in which to appoint committees, Hatch withdrew his motion.

On motion Thurman's resolution passed to its second reading.

Richards moved to amend the resolution by striking out the appropriation clause, with a view to inserting it in the general appropriation bill. King opposed the amendment, and urged that the appropriation be made at once.

Moyle was opposed to making the appropriation until the work should be done and accepted. Richards took a stand similar to that of Moyle in support of the amendment he had offered. A compromise amendment was offered by Thurman and accepted, causing his resolution to provide that the work should be paid for when done, but appropriating \$2,400 for the purpose.

Moyle moved to fix the time of adjournment at 2 p. m. Thursday. Carried.

Creer moved that Thurman's resolution be read the third time. Carried. It was so read and on motion of Thurman, was adopted, the roll call disclosing 21 ayes and 2 noes.

The title of the resolution was read, amended and passed.

Clark moved to adjourn. Carried. Benediction by the chaplain.

## COUNCIL.

The Legislative Council met promptly at 2 p. m. today at the City Hall.

After roll call and prayer, the minutes of yesterday's session was read and approved.

The President announced the standing committees as follows:

On Elections—Shurtliff, Carlisle, Marshall, Woolley and Bryan.

On Judiciary—Woolley, Shurtliff, Marshall, Smoot and Wimmer.

On Claims and Public Accounts—Olsen, Bryan and Smoot.

On Appropriations—Woolley, Smoot, Marshall and Carlisle.

On Ways and Means—Shurtliff, Howe and Tuttle.

On Counties—Bryan, Tuttle and Howe.

On Highways—Wimmer, Howe and Olsen.

On Engraving—Young, Olsen and Bryan.

On Education—Carlisle, Marshall, Tuttle, Shurtliff and Woolley.

On Agriculture—Tuttle, Olsen and Howe.

On Manufactures and Commerce—Smoot, Woolley and Wimmer.

On Militia—Howe, Tuttle and Bryan.

On Penitentiary and Reform School—Wimmer, Olsen and Shurtliff.

On Irrigation—Woolley, Carlisle, Howe and Wimmer.

On Fish and Game—Young, Bryan and Wimmer.

On Mines and Mining—Woolley, Marshall, Tuttle and Young.

On Private Corporations—Marshall, Shurtliff, Carlisle and Tuttle.

On Municipal Corporations and Towns—Marshall, Smoot, Bryan and Tuttle.

On Asylum—Smoot, Young and Carlisle.

On Public Health—Bryan, Carlisle and Young.

On Rules—Shurtliff, Marshall and Smoot.

On Contingent Expenses of Council—Howe, Wimmer and Tuttle.

## JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES.

On Enrollment—Olsen, Young and Wimmer.

On Public Printing—Carlisle, Woolley and Smoot.

On Territorial Library—Tuttle, Howe and Young.

A House concurrent resolution providing for the furnishing of four daily papers, or their equivalent in other papers, with the necessary postage stamps to each member, was read.

Adopted.

A resolution of the House providing for the compilation of the laws of Utah, by Messrs. Sutherland, Hall and Hammond, and appropriating a compensation of \$800 each, was received.

Marshall moved that the resolution be not concurred in, and stated that it was incompetent for the Legislature to delegate its authority.

The resolution was referred to the committee on judiciary.

Marshall presented a bill for the compilation of the laws of Utah in compact form, to consist of an edition of 3,000 copies, to be printed by the lowest responsible bidder. Referred to the committee on judiciary.

Marshall then presented a bill for proceedings in insolvency, and briefly explained the necessity for it, as he viewed it; the bill was read by its title and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Bryan offered a resolution providing that a joint committee be appointed by the House and Council to solicit bids for such printing as might be required, and which was not authorized by the government; adopted, and the House notified.

Marshall moved that the oath be administered to such members of the Council as had not already taken it. The President stated that the secretary had already been notified to do so.

The freedom of the Council chamber was then extended to public officers, etc., and the Council adjourned to 2 p. m. tomorrow.

FROM THURSDAY'S DAILY, JAN. 12.

## An Ice Blockade.

There is a probability of some trouble in the vicinity of the Utah Central Railway bridge over Provo river. The channel of the stream, from Utah Lake up to the railroad bridge, seems to be filled solid with ice, and above that the river has left its bed and spread out over the farms in the vicinity, making the place a vast sheet of ice. This is six feet above high water mark and within two inches of the bridge. If there is a sudden thaw there is great danger of an immense amount of damage. All parties interested are anxiously watching further developments.

## A Commendable Enterprise.

One of the home enterprises which is especially deserving of encouragement is the V-ne Bluffs Plaster Mills, situated at Nephi, Juab County, the proprietor of which has sought from the beginning to preclude the necessity of importing plaster of Paris to the Territory, by manufacturing a superior article and selling it for considerably less than it could be purchased for in other markets. He is now supplying all of this material required in the Territory and exporting some, and is making a strong effort to place upon the market a good article of cement also, for the manufacture of which he claims that the crude materials exist in the Territory in abundance.

## Supreme Court.

The Territorial Supreme Court transacted the following business at its session today:

The People, etc., ex rel. George Sutherland, vs. John E. Hoge, U. S. Commissioner; application for writ of prohibition to restrain said commissioner from proceeding further in the case of the Spanish Fork West Elide Irrigation Company vs. William Holt, denied by the court.

E. H. Orth, respondent, vs. Z. C. M. I., appellant; argued, submitted and taken under advisement.

Ogden City, appellant, vs. J. C. McLaughlin et al. respondents; notice of appeal from district court, and order dispensing with printing of transcript.

Accounts of Marshal Dyer for penitentiary expenses, and for Second District Court expenses, approved.

John B. Hopkins et al., respondents, vs. Ogden City, appellants; argued, submitted and taken under advisement.

## The South Jordan Row.

The trial of Wm. Soffe, James Beckstead, George Shields and John Davis, for their connection with the disturbance of a dance at South Jordan on the night of December 30th, 1887, was concluded today. The proceedings were long and tedious, and the prosecution had everything pretty nearly its own way, making out a good case against the accused. A sort of scrambling defense was made, but it was ineffectual against the direct testimony of the other side. At 3 o'clock this afternoon Justice Pyper rendered judgment in the case, adjudging the defendants guilty.

The specific charge against Beckstead, Shields and Davis was the disturbing of a lawful public assembly, the penalty for which is six months' imprisonment in the county jail and a fine in any sum less than \$500. Soffe, Shields and Davis were charged with battery, the penalty for which is the same as for the other offense, thus making two charges against Shields and Davis.

Sentence was fixed for 5 p. m. There is another charge of disturbing the peace against Davis.

## THE U. &amp; N. BLOCKADE.

The Railway Management Criticized for its Course.

The Union Pacific announces that this evening the regular northbound train will leave Ogden over the Utah & Northern, and that it is expected that trains will now be running regularly. The southbound train is reported eight hours late.

This probably means that the blockade on the divide, south of Collinston Station, was broken by the pushing through of the train that arrived in Ogden on Wednesday morning. That train left Logan at 2:30 a. m. on Monday, drawn by two locomotives, and reached the scene of the blockade about noon. There a snowbank was struck, and the front locomotive cut loose and ran into the snow pile, which was farther down the road, making a pretty bad wreck. The passenger train then stuck in the snow, and was there 15 hours before word could be sent from Collinston to Ogden. During the night the thermometer reached 20 degrees below zero.

The next morning, Tuesday, a work train with twenty-five men, came up to assist. In endeavoring to push the snow out of one of the cuts, a window of the passenger locomotive was broken and a piece of glass entered the eye of E. S. Leaf, the fireman. He was also otherwise injured. On reaching Ogden on Wednesday, he received surgical attendance. It was found that his eye was destroyed, and that organ was consequently removed.

On the down run, and while passing through Willard City, one of the passenger coaches on the train struck a part of a wrecked locomotive, and was badly shaken up, but no injury was done.

There is considerable feeling over the action of the railway management in the matter, and the apparently penny-wise and pound-foolish course pursued is strongly denounced. The fact that a train carrying thirty passengers was allowed to lay in a snowbank, with the mercury 20 degrees below zero, for 15 hours, within 40 miles of a city like Ogden, cannot be easily explained away. It would have taken a force of fifty men, which number could easily have been put on the ground in two hours, a comparatively short time to have shoveled the snow out of the cut, which is only four or five feet deep, and barely three quarters of a mile long. As it was the locomotives were kept pushing at the bank, packing the snow more tightly at each effort, until finally they battered through, and besides being damaged to a much greater extent than the cost of employing a sufficient force of men, a railway employee was seriously injured and lost one eye, and the passengers delayed twenty-four hours longer than was made necessary by the snow.

## THE LEGISLATURE.

## COUNCIL.

Council met at 2 p. m. Roll called. Prayer by the chaplain.

Before proceeding to regular business the President suggested that the members and officers not sworn have the oath administered by Secretary Hall, who was present.

The oath was then administered to Smoot, Carlisle and Olsen.

Woolley presented a recommendation of the judiciary committee that the House concurrent resolution presented yesterday for the compilation of the laws be rejected.

Following is his report: Mr. President—Your committee on judiciary to whom was referred the house joint resolution No. 1, providing for the compilation of the laws of Utah Territory beg leave to report that after a careful consideration of said resolution we arrived at the conclusion that the object sought can be arrived at in a better way and consequently recommend that it be rejected.

Respectfully,  
Woolley, Chairman.

Woolley then introduced the following: Mr. President—Your committee on judiciary to whom was referred Council File No. 1, "A Bill to provide for the compilation and publication of the laws of Utah," have to report that upon due consideration of the same they return said bill with some amendments and recommend that it be put upon its passage. Woolley, chairman. Adopted.

Marshall moved the adoption of a concurrent resolution for joint standing committees on memorial to Congress. Approved.

A resolution was presented for the printing of 300 copies of the rules, and of the Council committees and their residences. Adopted.

It was decided that the House and Council meet at 2 p. m. during the pleasure of the assembly.

Marshall introduced a bill providing for attachments.

Council File No. 1 by Marshall read by sections; a bill for compilation and publication of Laws of Utah was passed by the Council.

A bill to exempt Mutual Benefit Building Associations from taxation was presented by Woolley.

The House concurred in Council resolution, No. 3, providing for soliciting bids for public printing not authorized by Congress.

Shurtliff moved to adjourn. Carried.

A message was received from the Governor, but too late for action.

## HOUSE.

Shortly before the House was called to order this afternoon, R. W. Heyborne of Cedar City and W. T. Stewart of Kanab were sworn in. They were delayed on their journey to the capital by severe weather. The roll was called and minutes read.

H. Montgomery was excused.

The standing committees of the House were announced as follows:

## STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE.

Elections—Creer, Clark, Thurman, Richards and McLaughlin.

Judiciary—Thurman, Creer, King, Richards, Moyle and Jones.

Claims and Public Accounts—Hatch, Howell, Farnsworth, Thurman and Creer.

Appropriations—Clark, Seegmiller, Heyborne, Thurman, McLaughlin, Helm and Montgomery.

Ways and Means—Howell, Wood, Richards, Jones and McLaughlin.

Counties—Lund, Spencer, Kimball, Wood and Rousche.

Highways—Farnsworth, Rousche, Spencer, Clark and Seegmiller.

Engraving—Helm, Rousche and Seegmiller.

Education—Moyle, Lund, King, Stewart, Allen.

Agriculture and Irrigation—Rousche, Spencer, Stewart, Lund and Farnsworth.

Manufactures and Commerce—Heyborne, Wood, Clark, Allen and Kimball.

Militia—Stewart, Creer and Montgomery.

Penitentiary and Reform School—Hoge, Farnsworth, Rousche, Kimball and Hatch.

Live Stock—Seegmiller, Hatch, Kimball, Montgomery, Howell, Heyborne and Helm.

Fish and Game—Spencer, Seegmiller and McLaughlin.

Mines and Mining—McLaughlin, Hatch, Farnsworth, Heyborne, Hoge, Stewart and Wood.

Private Corporations—Richards, Jones, Hoge, Helm and Spencer.

Municipal Corporations and Towns—King, Howell, Creer, Allen and Moyle.

Asylum for the Insane—Wood, Montgomery, Clark, Lund and King.

Public Health—Allen, Heyborne and Jones.

Rules—Hatch, Thurman and Stewart.

Contingent Expenses of the House—Kimball, Richards and Allen.

## JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES.

Enrollment—King, Lund and Moyle.

Public Printing—Jones, Helm and Howell.

Territorial Library—Montgomery and Hoge.

A message from the Council was read, announcing the adoption by that body of a concurrent resolution instructing the joint committee on printing to invite bids for such printing as is not provided for by congressional appropriation and report the nomination of a public printer at an early day. On motion of King the House concurred.

Messages from the Council were read announcing the concurrence of that body in the House resolution relating to fixing an hour for meeting, and requesting the Auditor to furnish copies of the laws to members.

A communication from the Territorial Treasurer, reporting certain personal property belonging to the Territory in his possession, including a safe, maps etc., was received and filed.

A petition from M. S. Browning and 174 others, asking for an amendment to the fish and game law was referred to that committee.

The claim of H. H. Henderson, clerk of the First District Court, was referred to the committee on claims.

The claims of Mr. Perkins and Benjamin Bachman, deputy clerks of the First District Court, were referred to the same committee.

The report of the select committee on the fixing of an hour for meeting, recommended 2 p. m. each day. Adopted.

Hoge introduced a bill providing for appropriations for certain charities. It gives \$10,000 to the Holy Cross, St. Mary's and Deseret hospitals, to be divided in proportion to the number of charity patients treated in each during 1887. Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

Richards introduced a bill fixing the time at which new laws shall go into effect, at midnight May 31, 1888. Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Hoge introduced a bill providing for the registration of voters and the conduct of elections. Referred to the Committee on Elections.

Thurman offered a resolution providing for the printing of 200 copies of a law of Congress restricting special legislation in Territories. Adopted.

On motion of Howell, the House adjourned. The session was a brief but active one.

FROM FRIDAY'S DAILY, JAN. 13.

## Incorrect.

The report that John Jones, of West Weber, Weber County, had committed suicide, is incorrect. The only person named Jones in that settlement is alive and well.

## Bishop Allred Discharged.

SPRING CITY, Utah, January 13th.—[Special to the DESERET NEWS.]—James A. Allred, Bishop of Spring City, Sanpete County, who was arrested by Deputy Clawson on a charge of unlawful cohabitation on the evening of the 11th inst. and taken before Commissioner Johnson, was discharged this morning after a careful and full examination, lasting the evening of the 12th and morning of the 13th. The defendant was represented by Attorney Wm. K. Reid, of Manti, the commissioner representing the government.

## The Provo Blockade.

The Utah Central passenger was delayed about an hour last night at Provo. The cause for the detention was the freezing up of Provo river, and although no actual damage had been done the railroad, the train proceeded cautiously, so that the passengers would be in no danger. Today's trains also passed over the bad place all right. What water is now running in the Provo has left the river channel proper, and is going under the railway track about 200 yards north of the bridge, and about where the river flowed about 30 years ago. The water is still spreading over the farming land, and the prospect of damage when the thaw comes is rapidly increasing.

## Supreme Court.

A session of the Territorial Supreme Court was held today, at which the following cases were heard:

Max Gruenberg et al., respondents, vs. Henry Buhling, appellant, from Third District Court; set for hearing on Jan. 20.

D. P. Tarpey, respondent, vs. Deseret Salt Company, appellant; from First District; set for hearing on Jan. 20.

Hiram S. Laney was admitted to the bar of the Supreme Court, and took the requisite oath.

The People, etc., respondents, vs. Maurice McGrath, appellant; from First District; argued and submitted. The court adjourned till Monday, Jan. 16, at 2 p. m.

## Looking for Her Husband.

Mrs. Seeley, a lady from Colorado Springs, is in this city looking for her husband. She says he went to Grand Junction, on the D. & R. G., to get work, and while there took sick and sent for her to come and attend him. She started out but when she got to Grand Junction on Saturday last, she found that he had recovered and had come farther west for employment. She decided to follow him, and stopped at this city, hoping to gain tidings of his whereabouts, but has thus far been unsuccessful. He is generally known as Billy Seeley. Mrs. S. is stopping at the Overland House, hoping to obtain some information regarding her husband.

## The Penalty.

Yesterday afternoon, at the appointed hour, Justice Pyper passed sentence upon Wm. Soffe, John Davis, George Shields and James Beckstead, for the part they took in disturbing a dance at South Jordan on Dec. 30.

Soffe was sentenced to 60 days in the county jail, and fined \$200 and \$25 costs.

Beckstead was fined \$200 and \$20.10 costs.

Shields was fined \$20 and costs for the disturbance and \$50 and costs for battery, amounting in all to \$114.85.

Davis received a sentence of 60 days in the county jail and a fine of \$100 and costs on the disturbance charge and \$100 and costs for assault; his total fines aggregating \$240.00.

All of the defendants gave notice of an appeal, and gave bonds. When the case is presented in the Third District Court, if the same evidence is given, it is likely that the defendants will be worse off just the amount that the trial in the higher court costs.

Another case of disturbing the peace, against John Davis, will be heard on Monday afternoon.

## HELD BY A THREAD.

The Evidence on which Joseph Dover is Kept.

Yesterday afternoon Joseph Dover, of the Twenty-first Ward, was arrested on a charge of unlawful cohabitation. The complaint in the case was made about a year ago, before Commissioner McKay, but this morning it was changed to come up to date.

In the examination today before Commissioner Norrell, Mr. Dover pleaded not guilty. Mr. Peters represented the prosecution and Mr. Moyle the defense.

The first witness was Mary B. Laidlow, who testified—I have lived in this city 19 years; Joseph Dover is my husband; I was married to him 15 years ago; he had a wife living at that time—Sarah Dover; I lived at my mother's house, and still live there; he lived with me as my husband; his wife Sarah has no children; I have seven,