

Present: E. M. Weiler, F. Armstrong, S. Bennion, selectmen.

"Whereas, It has been made to appear that there is due and owing to Salt Lake county for work done on the South Jordan canal the sum of \$22,622.30; and,

"Whereas, The South Jordan Canal company is now the recipient of said labor, in the use of that portion of said canal constructed by said labor; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the clerk of this court be and he is hereby authorized and directed to demand of said South Jordan Canal company the said amount of \$22,622.30, and be it further

Resolved, That the clerk of this court be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to subscribe for, in the name of Salt Lake county, and receive 1,500 shares of the capital stock of said company at \$14.50 per share, and balance to remain to the credit of Salt Lake county to apply as assessments on said subscription as they may be come due from time to time."

AUGUST 8TH, 1883.

At this meeting of the county court it was

Resolved, That we proceed to effect a settlement with said company in relation to work done on the canal by the county."

SEPTEMBER 21ST, 1883.

"Selectmen Weiler and Armstrong are appointed a committee to meet trustees of said canal company to arrange for settlement of claim."

NOVEMBER 6TH, 1883.

"Claim against South Jordan Canal company called up, discussed and continued."

NOVEMBER 13TH, 1883.

"The claim of Salt Lake county against the South Jordan Canal company was called, and Selectman Holman appointed a committee to confer with the officers of said company in relation to a basis of settlement."

NOVEMBER 20, 1883.

"Selectman Holman reported that he had visited C. D. Haun, president of the South Jordan Irrigating company in relation to the claim of Salt Lake county against said company; that a meeting of the directors of said company would be held soon for the purpose of canvassing the matter and report."

FEBRUARY 5, 1884.

"E. Holman was appointed a committee of one to make preliminary arrangements towards a settlement of the matters of difference between Salt Lake county and the South Jordan Irrigating company."

MARCH 8, 1884.

"E. Holman, committee of one appointed February 15, 1884, reported he had visited the officers of the South Jordan Irrigating company, who called a meeting of the directors of said company, at which it was decided that they did not owe Salt Lake county anything and ignored any claim of said county."

APRIL 3, 1884.

"The clerk was authorized to open an account with South Jordan Canal company stock account, and charge it with 500 shares of stock (now on hand) at \$14.50 per share, and credit said amount to 'appropriation account.'"

JUNE 4 1884.

"The clerk ordered to charge South Jordan Canal company, and credit appropriation account \$5,000, as per report. See County Record 'D,' folio 36, in full settlement of said account of \$22,622.30 against said company."

The county received from some source, the 500 shares of stock alluded to above, (April 3, 1884), valued at \$7,250; after paying assessments to the amount of \$792.75, they sold the stock for its costs and assessments added. However, the county clerk told your committee that he did not absolutely know it was received, on account of the \$22,622.30 which the Canal company was owing the county. It would seem that the county court did not intend to credit

the Canal company with those 500 shares on April 3 1884, the time the entry was made, because afterwards, on June 4, 1884, they declare that they accept \$5,000 in full settlement of said account of \$22,622.30 against said company. But, if it be true that these 500 shares were delivered by the South Jordan Canal company, their account with the county would stand as follows:

Account of their indebtedness as
per report of March 9, 1883.....\$22,622.30
Credit.
By 500 shares of stock at \$14.50.....\$7,250.00
By item of June 4, 1884, since paid.....5,000.00

Total.....\$12,250.00
Leaving a loss to the county, exclusive of interest, of \$10,372.30.

The South Jordan Canal company and South Jordan Irrigating company are the same.

On August 17, 1885, Elias A. Smith, probate judge, and Jesse W. Fox jr., selectman, a committee appointed by the county court, filed a report declaring that the Utah and Salt Lake Canal company has been paid for excavating, exclusive of amount paid to engineers, the sum of \$33,949.94. The court thereupon asked for settlement.

The next reference to this matter is found in the following order of February 3rd, 1886:

"The clerk is instructed to notify the Utah & Salt Lake Canal Co., that a settlement must be made at an early date of the account due Salt Lake county."

We find no further reference to this matter in any of the books. The item of \$33,949.94 is not on the ledger and is mentioned only in the court minutes, as shown above. It is of course, a total loss to the county.

We copy the following from County court proceedings of Aug. 17th 1885:

The following report was received:

SALT LAKE CITY, August 14, 1885.

To the Hon. The County Court of Salt Lake County, Utah Territory.

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned would respectfully report that in accordance with the agreement entered into with the bondsmen of George Crismon, late collector of Salt Lake County on the 8th day of June, 1885, as appears on the records of the County Court, I have received from said bondsmen the following property, to-wit: Cash, \$2,000, note of E. M. Weiler to W. W. Riter and H. Dinwoodey, which has since been paid, \$3,000 stock; in the Home Coal company which has been sold to R. C. Chambers, and for which I received the sum of \$2,300; also an order on C. O. Whittemore, to turn over to Salt Lake county all moneys collected from the delinquent taxes to George Crismon, late collector, as per the agreement entered into between said bondsmen and Whittemore. The said Whittemore has paid me in cash the sum of \$1,400; they also gave me an order on N. V. Jones to turn over all moneys in his possession collected on taxes for the years 1878 to 1882, inclusive, and he has turned over to me the sum of \$856.56; making a total in cash of \$9,556.56 received from said bondsmen and their agents, which amount has been paid into the county treasury, as will appear by the receipt of the treasurer No. 94 filed herewith.

□ I would further report that Mr. C. O. Whittemore has some more money in his hands which he will turn over to me in a short time.

You will therefore perceive that the bondsmen have complied with the agreement above referred to and have turned over all property mentioned therein. I would further recommend that you make an entire canceling of the balance standing to the debit of George Crismon as collector of Salt Lake county.

Respectfully,

(Signed,) ELIAS A. SMITH,
Probate Judge.

On motion of E. Holman, the foregoing report is accepted, and it is hereby ordered that the sum of \$3,299.11, standing against George Crismon, assessor and collector of Salt Lake county for the year 1876, be

credited to his account and charged to relief account.

And it is hereby ordered that the sum of \$5,769.34 standing against George Crismon, assessor and collector for the year 1877, be credited to his account and charged to relief account.

And it is hereby ordered that the sum of \$5,395.71, standing against George Crismon, assessor and collector for the year 1878, be credited to his account and charged to relief account.

And it is hereby ordered that the sum of \$2,726.23, standing against the account of George Crismon, as collector for the year 1879, be credited to his account and charged to relief account.

And it is hereby ordered that the sum of \$2,851.20, standing against George Crismon as collector for Salt Lake county for the year 1880, be credited to his account and charged to relief account.

And it is hereby ordered that the sum of \$1,020.25, standing against George Crismon as collector of Salt Lake county, for the year 1881, be credited to his account and charged to relief account.

And it is hereby ordered that the sum of \$1,020.25, standing against George Crismon as collector of Salt Lake county, for the year 1882, be credited to his account and charged to relief account. Total, \$22,024.04.

And it is ordered that the sum of \$9,556.56 be divided and credited to George Crismon, collector, for the following years:

1879	\$ 4,500 00
1881	4,000 00
1882	1,056 56

and said total amount ordered charged to M. E. Cummings, treasurer, as per his receipt of August 10, 1885, No. 94.

It is further ordered that said bondsmen be and are hereby released from all liabilities on the bonds of George Crismon as collector for Salt Lake county for the years 1879, 1880, 1881 and 1882.

On motion of Jesse W. Fox, jr., it is ordered that the sum of \$7,631.80, standing against R. J. Golding, late assessor and collector for Salt Lake county, be charged to relief account and credited to said R. J. Golding's account, as said account has been standing against him for several years, and as said R. J. Golding is dead and has no property to realize the amount from.

Minutes were read and approved.

(Signed) ELIAS A. SMITH, probate judge.
E. M. WEILER,
E. HOLMAN,
JESSIE W. FOX, Jr.,
Selectmen.

The foregoing entries in brief, mean this:

George Crismon as collector from 1876 to 1882 owed, \$31,580.60. He paid as stated, \$9,556.56. Charged to relief account, which means a loss to the county of \$22,024.04.

His bondsmen were E. M. Weiler, S. B. Young, A. H. Raleigh, H. Dinwoodey, W. W. Riter, Bolivar Roberts, L. S. Hills and R. C. Chambers.

Surely these names are good for many times the balance due from George Crismon to the county, and the failure of the county court to enforce the terms of the bond is something beyond the knowledge of this grand jury.

We find the defalcation of D. Bockhoit, late county clerks to be \$11,038.60.

The county has paid large sums of

MONEY FOR DETECTIVE WORK.

Nearly all of it passed through the hands of the sheriff and E. Holman, a selectman. From April 3, 1885, to October 4, 1886, Mr. Holman received \$1,350 for detective work. How it was expended this jury cannot say, as Mr. Holman rendered no vouchers nor written report of such expenditures.

On February 1, 1887, the county court authorized the sheriff to employ a regular detective, to be paid out of criminal expense fund. For the years 1887 and 1888 this detective was paid \$100 per month; since then \$50 per month.

From this criminal expense fund the sheriff pays various small bills which necessarily attach to the conduct of his office, and which we do not doubt are correctly