

lowing bills and directed the issuance of warrants for payment to contractors for the erection of the following buildings:

Crawford Bros. & Bryan, Hamilton school.....	\$ 3,293 20
Salma U. Watson, Lincoln school.....	4,568 00
F. M. Wright, Washington.....	2,576 00
Salt Lake Building & Manufacturing Co., Lowell.....	9,304 00
Telfer & Hansecker, Franklin.....	3,956 80
W. H. Jay, Bryant.....	5,320 00

Total.....\$28,118 00

The report was received and filed.

APPROPRIATIONS MADE.

The following list of bills were reported by the finance committee for payment and appropriations made accordingly:

Messrs. Stout & Droge, removing soil from Bryant school.....	\$ 95 00
Utah National Bank, rent.....	60 00
George Forrester, services.....	29 25
Bell Telephone Company.....	20 00
A. Stiefel, freight prepaid.....	106 03

PROPOSED NEW SCHOOL BUILDING.

Mr. Young moved that a set of plans and specifications be obtained from the architects for the erection of an eight class room school building on South Temple street, corner of R, the lot just purchased, at a cost not to exceed 1 1/2 per cent. of the contract price, and that the clerk be authorized to advertise for bids for the erection of said building. Adopted.

TREASURER DUKE'S REPORT.

Treasurer Duke presented the following monthly report of the receipts and disbursements:

Receipts—	
Balance.....	\$192,549 08
Received from D. R. Allen, Territorial tax.....	23,447 92
Received from sale of old house, Jackson site.....	60 00
Received from E. R. Clute, city tax.....	314 24
Total.....	\$218,371 24
Disbursements—	
Paid clerk's warrants.....	\$38,593 37
Balance on hand.....	\$179,777 87

The report was referred to the finance committee.

HEATING AND VENTILATING PLANTS.

A special committee consisting of Messrs. Nelson, Young and Baldwin, was appointed to approve the contracts with firms for heating and ventilating plants for the school buildings.

VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

On the 10th and 11th inst., the Virginia Conference was again held at Batesville, Albemarle Co., Va.

The attendance was not large, but the Saints certainly manifested that they appreciated the good resulting from a number of Elders meeting together and preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The following names and addresses of Elders may be of interest to their friends:

Elder Richard C. Harvey, of Heber, Wasatch Co., Utah, president of the conference, still has his postoffice address, Batesville, Albemarle Co., Va.

Elder Ephraim Peterson, of Mink Creek, Idaho, and Elder Duncan Gillies, of Beaver, Beaver Co., Utah, are to labor in Rappahannock, Fauquier, and Prince William counties, whose postoffice address is Flint Hill, Rappahannock Co., Va.

Elder W. W. Richards, of Farmington, Davis Co., Utah, and Elder James Vance, of Maricopa Co.,

Arizona, are to labor in Spottsylvania, Stafford and Caroline Counties. Postoffice address is Andrews Tavern, Spottsylvania Co., Va.

Elders John Curtis, of Orangeville, Emery Co., Utah, and George A. Smith, of Farmington, Davis Co., Utah, will go to Louisa and Goochland Counties, with postoffice address at Dabney, Louisa Co., Va.

Elder Chas. R. Clark, of Morgan, Morgan Co., Utah, and Elder John P. Cardon, of Logan, Cache Co., Utah, go to Orange, Culpepper and Madison Counties, with their postoffice address at Madison Run, Orange Co., Va.

The Elders feel encouraged in reporting their labors of the past and in contemplating the work of the future.

LITTLE GRAND VALLEY.

Feeling that our little valley is worthy of some consideration by the outside world, I cannot resist offering a few facts in regard to it, its people and its general products.

Little Grand Valley, Utah, is located at the west side of the Serra Laas mountains, averaging in width about one and a half mile and about fifteen miles in length, well watered by mountain streams of pure water that assists us in producing excellent crops of alfalfa (lucerne), corn, some small grain, and, in advance of all, our delicious fruits that are quite well known throughout a portion of our western country.

The excellent fruit productive qualities of our little valley, we ask the privilege to claim, are above the average.

Mr. W. W. Warner and others with a determination to test the orchard qualities of our soil are now obtaining results very much beyond their expectations and are getting largely repaid for the energy displayed in planting fruit trees several years ago.

Fruit growers here are removing inferior trees and replacing them with a good standard fruit from some of the leading nurseries.

Our summers, as a general rule, are not very warm. Located, as our little valley is, at the base of a range of mountains, the warm days in midsummer are followed by pleasant nights.

The people here are beginning to realize that our valley is no longer a tract of desolate sagebrush and greasewood, but a pleasant home, surrounded by orchards, meadows and gardens that help to make life worth living and the most of them are taking advantage of the encouragement presented to them, and are doing what they can to make our little place pleasing to the eye of those who may pass our way.

In the past month our people have donated labor on a mountain road that will give us access to a vast amount of fencing and building material, and also sawed material that is going to generally improve our homes. The outlay on the road will only be a few hundred dollars, while the income can not well be calculated.

The financial condition of our country is excellent, and there is no reason why it should not remain thus.

As to our schools, we again ask the privilege of claiming that they are all we can expect of a small colony.

Instead of a small log room in an old dwelling about two years ago, we

are now proud of a neat, substantial, well finished abode building about twenty by fifty feet, fourteen feet ceiling, consisting of a ward school room, a hall or a porch room together with a primary department.

We do not wish to cover our country up from view, but always leave it open to inspection for those desiring a quiet home. Any information concerning our country desired can be obtained by addressing

A CAREFUL OBSERVER.

DEATHS.

SYME.—September 10, at Moroni, George W., son of William and Betsy Morley Syme; born March 31, 1885.

CUTLER.—At Idaho Falls, September 11, 1892; of convulsions, Susan Maren Cutler, daughter of John and Susan A. Cutler; aged 14 months.

CLAYTON.—At Ogden, Levi, son of William and Annie Clayton, aged 14 years. Funeral will be announced hereafter.

WELLS.—In the Sixth ward of this city, September 17th, Cordelia Middleton Wells, wife of Rufus L. Wells; born March 12, 1874.

HARDING.—In this city, September 14, at 7 o'clock a. m. of cancer in the stomach, William Harding, aged 63 years, 8 months and 29 days.

MCGREGGOR.—Died in Salt Lake City, September 10th, 1892, of general debility, Wm. McGreggor, in the seventy-seventh year of his age.

KLEIMAN.—At Toquerville, Washington Co., Utah, August 26th, of cholera morbus, Henry C., son of Henry and S. V. Spillsbury Kleiman, aged one year, ten months and fourteen days.

WOELFLI.—In South Cottonwood, Salt Lake County, on Friday, September 9th, at 5 o'clock p. m., Elizabeth Ruth Woelfli, of chills and fever. The deceased was 63 years of age and was born in Rothenbach, Canton Bern, Switzerland. She was a faithful Latter-day Saint.

LARSEN.—August 26th, at Moroni, Utah, Pernelia Larsen, widow of the late Lars N. Larsen, of convulsions and paralytic stroke; born January 27th, 1835, in Sweden.

Also on August 31st, of old age, Anna J. Larsen; born December 21st, 1810.

FARNES.—At the Holy Cross Hospital, Aug. 9, 1892, of acute nephritis, John F. Farnes; aged 23 years. He was the brother of Edwin J. Farnes, who died at the same hospital three years ago come next November, of typhoid fever, in the 26th year of his age.

SCOTT.—September 9th, at Moroni, Ann Reid wife of Edwin Scott and daughter of Thomas Reid and Allie Middleton; born December 29, 1819, in Ireland. She embraced the Gospel in the city of Manchester, England, on the 23rd of August, 1847, and emigrated to Utah in 1862. She lived and died a faithful Latter-day Saint.

TAYLOR.—At Beaver City, September 2nd, of asthma, Isaiah Wakefield Taylor, son of John and Lydia Taylor, of Salem, Massachusetts, where he was born June 25th, 1800. Deceased joined the Church at an early day, emigrated to Utah in 1857, married Agnes Reid in Salt Lake City November 12, 1861, and removed to Beaver in 1868, where he dwelt until his death.

MORRILL.—At her residence, at Junction, Plute County, Utah, September 6th, 1892, Permelia, wife of Laban Morrill, aged seventy one years and seventeen days. Her death was the result of an accident. She was the daughter of Joel and Tirzah Drury, and was born in Wendell, Franklin County, Massachusetts. She was a consistent and faithful Latter-day Saint. She leaves an aged husband and seven children, with numerous grandchildren and friends to mourn her loss.

WALTERS.—At Weaverville, Aug. 5th, of dyspepsia and diabetes, Edward W. Walters, son of William and Margaret Williams Walters. Deceased was born in Blanelly, Carmarthenshire, South Wales, June 12, 1860. He came to this country with his parents, who settled 1866 in Cache County, where he resided until the time of his death. The deceased has always been a faithful Latter-day Saint and an earnest worker in the cause of truth. He leaves a widow, two children, and a host of friends to mourn his loss.—[COM.]