

the courts determined the legality of the act, other obstacles of a more or less serious nature intervened, and these, together with the apprehension of delay in completion of the building, fears that owing to the insufficiency of the notice given farmers would be entirely unprepared to exhibit their commodities, and a wholesale apathy among the people, consequent upon the long period of inactivity in fair holding, combined to inspire a feeling of anxiety in regard to the outcome of the project which was at once irresistible and depressing. It is therefore with more than ordinary pleasure that we are enabled to announce that in all respects the fair of 1888 was an unqualified and unequivocal success. In fact, considering the attendant disadvantages, some of which have been enumerated, the interest evinced on the occasion, the character of the display made, the financial outcome, and the satisfaction universally expressed, are remarkable and gratifying. For this result the Board feels it is indebted to the public, and therefore takes this occasion to express to them its obligation. In a special manner it desires also to tender the thanks of the society to the patrons of the fair for their substantial aid; to the awarding committee for their arduous and important labors performed without compensation; to the donors of special premiums for their public spirit and encouragement in a worthy cause; to his Excellency the Governor of the Territory for countenance and support; to the Honorable the Mayor and City Council of Salt Lake City for valued favors; to the Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce, for its energetic and valuable assistance in advertising and opening the exhibition, as well as for the loan of some handsome specimens of Utah's resources; to Prof. Evan Stephens and his talented company of singers, and the Theatre orchestra, under the direction of Prof. Weihe, for their delightful music at the opening; to Wm. Naylor, Charles S. Burton, B. Y. Hampton, Briant Wells and others, for hard work and no pay, and last, but in nowise least, to the press of the Territory for their valuable help, columns of space, courteous treatment and intelligent advocacy.

The board is unable to determine the exact effect which this exhibition may have had on the welfare of the people of the Territory, but it is inclined to the belief that it has been the means of exciting an interest in Territorial productions

which will be abundantly felt for good during the coming year; that it has measurably impelled the manufacturer to make better articles, the artisan to do finer work, the farmer to raise better crops, the breeder to improve his live stock, and in many ways to have so stimulated and promoted the cause of home industry as to insure the success of future fairs and encourage the people in building up a healthy prosperity.

We also take this occasion to state that preparations have already begun for the Territorial fair of 1889. It is confidently hoped and expected that this exhibition will show a wholesome growth in all the material interests of the Territory. The premium list will be published and distributed in early spring, so that ample time will be given to all to prepare their exhibits. With a view to make the exhibition as complete a reflex of the industrial and agricultural condition of the Territory as possible, the board invites correspondence and suggestions from the farmers, manufacturers, artisans and all who are interested in the welfare of Utah. Such correspondence may be addressed to Heber M. Wells, Secretary, City Hall, Salt Lake City, and will be distributed by him to the proper departments for consideration.

The prospects for the future were never more encouraging to the society than at present, and with the co-operation of the people the board feels that it can accomplish a vast amount of good to the Territory.

By order of the board of directors of the Deseret Agricultural and Manufacturing Society,

JOHN R. WINDER.

President.

HEBER M. WELLS,
Secretary.

THE FINANCIAL CONDITION.

The report of the Secretary of the D. A. and M. Society, recently submitted to and approved by the board of directors, shows as follows:

Receipts during year.	
From Legislative appropriation.....	\$20,000 00
" Interest on portions of same invested by Treasurer.....	193 70
" Special cash premiums by citizens.....	846 55
" Sale of advertising space in Exposition Building.....	355 80
" Life memberships.....	225 00
" Annual memberships.....	424 00
" General admission to fair of 1888.....	3,674 45
" Rents.....	85 00
Total receipts.....	\$25,804 50

Disbursements during year.	
Account Exposition Building.....	\$19,839 95
" Premiums.....	1,765 97
" Expense of fair of 1888.....	1,526 64
" General expenses.....	124 05
Total disbursements.....	\$23,256 61
Balance in Treasury Dec. 15, 1888.	2,547 89

Liabilities.

Account unpaid premiums.....	\$ 66 00
Richard Kleitting, architect.....	1,000 00
Salt Lake Bldg. and Mfg. Co.....	855 27
Appropriation to Secretary.....	500 00
Balance.....	126 62
Total.....	\$2,547 89

SEASONABLE ITEMS.

The old year is about gone, and the new is about to dawn upon us. The season just closed, notwithstanding some drawbacks, must, on the whole, be considered good. The evidences of this surround us on every hand. No past year has seen this people enjoying themselves more, nor apparently better able to do so. All our stores speak well of the volume of business done during the past year; and, in the line of entertainments, the holiday season has seen every opportunity used. A fair extent of building has been accomplished; consisting chiefly of a good class of dwelling houses, built mostly by our well-to-do young residents, a number of whom have married in the just closing year.

A notable event of this (Monday) morning has been the distribution of a carload of coal amongst the poor of Lehi. This came about as follows: First Mr. Frank Evans, merchant of this place, solicited the boon from the Pleasant Valley Coal Company and the D. & R. G. R. R. Company. Both promptly responded, the coal company donating the coal and the railroad the freight. The cars arrived on Saturday afternoon, and the distribution was made this morning by the local coal agent, Mr. Vaughan, teams being sent by friends and neighbors of the recipients. I am glad to learn that the distribution was made without regard to church or creed; needs alone were consulted.

Our poor have also been provided with wood, furnished by the young men of Lehi, to whom a picnic hall (the girls and friends to furnish) will be given at an early date. Therefore we have the satisfaction of knowing that our poor are not suffering for want of fuel at this inclement season.

Acting Bishop Wm. Clark and Counselor Oley Ellingson have been most active in arranging for these and other necessary movements, to which the whole of the people have promptly responded. Wishing you a happy New Year,

CITIZEN.

LEHI, Utah County Dec. 31, 1888.

Cincinnati, Dec. 31.—The Cincinnati, Washington and Baltimore road has been placed in the hands of a receiver.