

1842 by John D. Lee. Mary Elizabeth, their only child, was born Feb. 4, 1851, but nine months afterwards died at Council point, Pottawattama county, Iowa, where the parents had made a temporary home preparatory to their journey west. During the short stay there (fifteen months) theague, then so prevalent, made an inroad upon the family relatives. It was here the deceased laid his own parents and his wife's sister to rest, and shortly after on the plains, his wife's father.

As a captain in John Tidwell's company and with immediate charge over several orphan children, he commenced the journey over the plains with two yoke of oxen and a yoke of cows. On reaching the valleys he located with about a dozen pioneer families near the present townsite of Alpine City, the historic dugout being his first shelter. From an autobiographical sketch it is seen he was the first person to build a house on the present townsite. The logs he hewed, put up, and covered with dirt, then without any floor, window or door to close the openings, he moved in Nov. 9, 1852. The day before eight inches of snow fell, which remained till the following March.

His first ecclesiastical office was the clerkship of the branch. He was ordained a Teacher by his Bishop, Isaac Houston, and on February 6, 1853, was ordained an Elder by W. Wardworth. On April 10th of the same year was ordained a Seventy, and September 24th of the following year was appointed clerk of the quorum. On January 5, 1853, he was chosen second counselor to Bishop I. Houston, and on May 18, 1856, was ordained High Priest and first counselor to Bishop Houston. Shortly after this the death of Bishop Houston occurred when T. J. McCullough was set apart Bishop of Alpine ward by Bishop E. Hunter and L. W. Hardy, Nov. 15, 1856, at Salt Lake City. On Feb. 22, 1857, he married Matilda McDaniel, who, after a prolonged sickness of several years, died of heart disease, Aug. 24, 1878.

The deceased was one of the oldest Bishops by ordination in the Utah Stake and the oldest but one in the Church, namely Bishop Kesler of the Sixteenth ward, Salt Lake City. He was the only male person in Alpine who was there forty years ago, and he continued to reside on the same lot where he built his first house up to the day of his death. For five years he acted in the Utah County Militia district, as military officer, served twenty years in the capacity of mayor of Alpine City, twelve years in succession as selectman of Utah county, was twice elected to the territorial legislature and was for twenty-five years postmaster.

The deceased had for eight years suffered much, and at times was prostrated with Bright's disease. The attack last June was so severe that his health rapidly declined. Although not compelled thereafter always to keep his bed, yet for seven weeks general debility and the old complaint complicated with other troubles, caused him into sufferings until death released him. He had before his death directed the disposal of his property.

As a counselor and father to his people, and as a man of rare executive abilities, he will long live in the hearts of all those who knew him. A.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING.

The city school board met last night, President Nelson in the chair. All the members were present and business was transacted as follows:

As to the revised specifications for the Oquirrh school building bids were opened as follows:

Salt Lake Building & Manufacturing Company, \$58,987 complete; if Kyune stone is used the price will be \$500 extra.

A. Hensgen, \$58,450, complete according to the revised specifications.

Committee on sites and buildings.

E STREET SEWER.

The committee on sites and buildings recommended that the clerk be authorized to advise the City Council and the city engineer that the board would enter no objection to the extension of the sewer lateral constructed by it on E street, or to any connection therewith made by abutting property owners, providing the tax be paid and refunded to the board; the connections to be made in accordance with the rules of the council. Adopted.

MORE SCHOOL BUILDINGS NEEDED.

The committee on site and buildings reported that in addition to the building completed, those in progress of construction and those for which the contracts are about to be let, that other grade schools are needed as urgently as was the need of any of the buildings, to wit, an eight-room building at the head of Main street, or a block east of west of that locality; an eight-room building in the Tenth ward; a twelve-room building in the Fourth ward, or the lower portion of the Seventh ward, to accommodate the Fourth and Seventh wards, and the eastern portion of the Fifth ward, west of the river, and in the newly annexed district and in North Salt Lake. Committee on finance.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORT.

The committee on teachers and school work reported that a class of ten pupils will complete the course of study in the high school and be ready for graduation in June, and made the following recommendations: that authority be given to secure the tabernacle, if possible, in which to hold the commencement exercises; that the committee be authorized to contract for lithographed diplomas for the high school graduate; that the school close on June 6th instead of 18th this year, owing to the fact that the Christmas vacation only lasted one week instead of two; that the superintendent of schools be authorized to furnish the United States commissioner of education with a statement of that school population, teachers, attendance, accommodations, etc., for the purpose of placing same beside other such exhibits from different cities of the West, and that a letter-head be especially prepared for this purpose with an engraving upon it of our leading school buildings, the cost not to exceed \$3 for the engraved block; that the Franklin school had opened, with all the rooms fairly well filled and two of them greatly overcrowded. In view of this, they recommended, in order to avoid the overcrowding of the third grade, the transferring of a requisite number of pupils to the Fourteenth school, where there are two rooms in

which the attendance is less than the rooms will accommodate, and that the superintendent be authorized to adjust the attendance between these several schools so as to cause as little inconvenience as possible. Also that the southwest basement room in the Fourteenth building be re-opened as an additional room to accommodate the overflow from the Lincoln and Franklin schools. Adopted.

The committee on teachers and school work reported in the matter of the complaint of Miss Emily Butt, that she had been dismissed without due notice, as follows:

Miss Butt was employed in September last by the board to teach until the opening of the Lincoln school, at which time the board reserved the right to make new arrangements with her, and that in accordance with such reserved right her employment was terminated December 13, 1892. The letter of Miss Butt, referred by your honorable body, has been considered by us. It is apparently based on a partly executed contract which does not express the will of this board, nor the action authorized by it, of which she has no duplicate, and which the clerk did not sign, nor was it delivered.

We therefore see no propriety in giving force or effect to that document and recommend that the action above recited be ratified. Adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The committee on finance recommended that the report of the treasurer, submitted at the last meeting, be approved. Adopted.

Miss Alice E. Blanchard of Harvard, Kan., Addie McDermott of Rawlins, Wyo., and W. P. Rankin of Leslie, Mich., applied for positions as teachers. Committee on teachers and school work.

E. L. Sheets sent in a communication (confidential), submitting a proposition for the insurance of the boilers in the public school buildings. Committee on sites and buildings.

Washington Powell applied for a position as janitor. Committee on furniture and supplies.

The Utah Stove & Hardware company reported that they have a lien on the Hamilton school in the sum of \$656.81, and asked that the board instruct the clerk to draw up a voucher for the amount. Committee on sites and buildings.

Frank Harrigan submitted a bid for the construction of cement sidewalks around the school houses, which was ordered filed.

The Wasatch Asphaltum company solicited a chance to bid on sidewalks and basement pavements at the Jackson school or similar work. Filed.

The James Spencer Bieman company reported that their account with F. M. Wright had been settled and their lien on the Washington school had been cancelled. Committee on sites and buildings.

Mr. Dooly moved that the clerk be instructed and authorized to return all checks to bidders for the Oquirrh school, or any part thereof, excepting the bids of A. Hensgen and the Salt Lake Building & Manufacturing company. Carried.

An unknown steamer was wrecked off Helsingborg the other day. The whole crew perished.