

per day for actual time engaged in collecting the exhibit. One hundred thousand dollars is the amount asked for to carry on this work.

By Evans, regulating the Utah Library. The bill provides a salary of \$1500 per annum for the librarian.

By Evans, to provide additional salaries for each of the judges of the District courts of Utah. Committee on judiciary.

By Evans, regulating the payment of witnesses, jurors, stenographers, and defining the duties of court commissioners. Committee on judiciary.

By Evans, to establish Arbor Day as a legal holiday. Committee on judiciary.

By Evans, a bill for an act to allow poor persons to commence and prosecute suits.

The committee on elections reported back C. F. 2, relative to the holding of elections, and recommending that it pass.

After its second reading, Evans moved to suspend the rules and place the bill on its further passage.

Baskin opposed this suspension because it did not give the minority any chance. He announced himself as unalterably opposed to the bill as it stood, and said the Liberal party did not want it and would not take it if it could help it. The Liberals not only wanted the election here in February but they needed it. There were many men in office now sailing under Liberal colors who were traitors to the cause, and the party were anxious to oust them.

The motion was carried on division, resulting in seven for suspension and three against. The bill was then put upon its third reading, and on motion of Evans to pass the bill, Baskin rose to oppose its passage. He insisted that the bill should not pass, his principal argument being that his own party were opposed to it. There were men in office now whom they wanted to get rid of.

Evans suggested that the Chamber of Commerce and other recognized business institutions had asked for the bill and it was the idea of saving trouble, annoyance and expense by having all elections come on one day instead of every three months.

Evans insinuated that there was an official bee buzzing in Baskins' bonnet.

Baskins' blood was up. He scorned the insinuation that he was an office seeker. Personally he wanted it distinctly understood that he was not a candidate for the mayoralty of this city. If he were called upon to lead the Liberal hosts to victory it would be because the citizens desired it, because they believed in his honor and integrity, and not because he sought the office.

This spirited tilt lasted for some time and at its conclusion the bill was amended, passed and sent to the House.

The bill makes the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November next, and biennially thereafter on the same day, the time for electing all Territorial, County, City, town, precinct etc., officers, all these to assume their offices on the first day of January following, and hold office for two years thereafter and until their successors are qualified. The bill also extends the term of the officers now in office to January next.

HOUSE.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19.

The Speaker called the House to order punctually at 2 p.m.

Roll called. All present for the first time this session.

Snow presented a petition from several persons asking an appropriation of \$100,000 for the World's fair. Committee on World's Fair.

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred H. F. 22, to extend time under chapter 5, Compiled Laws, relating to townsites, reported it back with an amendment, recommending its passage as amended. Adopted.

Lawrence introduced a resolution for the investigation of the auditor's office for the past ten years. It provides for the appointment of a joint committee from the two houses, to be of different political parties, who shall be authorized to employ an accountant if necessary to make a thorough examination and report to the Legislative Assembly. Adopted, and the Speaker appointed as the committee on the part of the House, Lawrence and Stoker.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 20.

The journal of yesterday's proceedings was read—a long, tedious and unnecessary performance occupying on this occasion, with the corrections, no less than twenty-five minutes. After several amendments, in which it was developed that the House was in a "muddle" through the incorrectness of the minute clerk's record, the minutes were finally adopted.

Sargent presented a petition from several persons of Garfield county, in relation to cattle and sheep driven through the southern part of the Territory from other places, subjecting the people to expense and loss, as the drivers will not observe local rules, and asking such legislation as will put an end to the evil complained of. Committee on live stock.

Snow presented a petition from the probate judge and County court of Box Elder county, asking an appropriation for a bridge over Bear river. Committee on roads and highways.

Snow, from the joint committee to arrange for visiting the Agricultural College, reported that Thursday, the 21st inst, had been agreed on as the date, and recommended that when the House adjourn it be to Monday next, the interim to be taken up in visiting the Reform School and Insane Asylum.

Ferry reported that the Union Pacific had tendered the use of a special train to visit Logan, the tender being read.

Arnett presented a bill to encourage iron manufactories. Read at length and referred to the committee on manufactures and commerce. It provides that certain manufactories, relating principally to iron making and working, be exempted from taxation for the period of ten years, and granting sundry other privileges.

H. F. No. 8, by Pierce, a bill for an act to amend section 3944 of the Compiled Laws of 1888, relating to the taking of depositions of witnesses outside of the Territory, was read for the third time, and on motion of Pierce placed on its final passage, which resulted favorably by a unanimous vote.

H. F. No. 11, by Moritz, a bill for an act to amend section 3538 of the Compiled Laws of Utah of 1888, relating to

procedure in justices' courts, was also placed on its final passage after the section which provides that the act shall take effect on and after its approval had been stricken out on a motion by Pierce, and the bill itself being vigorously opposed by him and defended by a half-dozen lawyers and laymen. The vote stood: Ayes, 20; noes, 3.

The bill is designed to put a stop to the practice of justices of the peace declining to grant a motion for a change of venue in civil cases.

H. F. No. 12, by Ferry, a bill for an act to amend sec. 3850 of the Compiled Laws of Utah of 1888 relating to eminent domain, also passed, the vote being unanimous.

MONDAY, JANUARY 25.

H. F. No. 13, by Colton, a bill for an act to amend chapter 3 of part 4 of the Compiled Laws of 1888, relating to railroads, also passed. Vote—Ayes, 22; excused, 1.

H. F. No. 26, by Marshall, was called up by that gentleman, he declaring that it was of the greatest importance that action be taken at once. This being done, Marshall offered as a substitute C. F. No. 5, which reads as follows:

Section 1. That in all cities of the first and second class, where school bonds have been or may hereafter be voted, it shall be lawful for the board of education to make the interest thereon payable semi-annually.

Sec. 2. In all cases named in the first section of this act, it shall be lawful for the board of education to pay a reasonable commission for the sale of such bonds, not exceeding 5 per cent off from the par value of the same; provided, that no commission shall be paid for the sale of any such bonds when the rate of interest exceeds 5 per cent per annum.

Sec. 3. That all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect from and after its passage.

The substitute was adopted by a unanimous vote, and the bill placed on its final passage on motion of Sargent. The vote was unanimous.

After the usual forms of calling to order, calling the roll, prayer and reading of the minutes had been observed, a message from the Council was read. It announced that it had this day passed Council File No. 1, a bill to punish polygamy. Referred to judiciary committee.

Another message from the same body announced that it had passed Council Files Nos. 7 and 10. Council File No. 7 provides for the exemption of debtor's household property, etc., from execution on attachment, and Council file No. 10 is an act providing for the maintenance of illegitimate children. Referred to committee on judiciary.

Ferry presented two claims from Summit county. One of them, he said, was fifteen years old. This he did for the benefit of the gentleman from Iron county (Adams).

This roused that gentleman from a state of somnolence, and he replied that under the ten-year rule the claim would be ignored.

Ferry replied that in his opinion the Territory of Utah, or the State of Utah, as the gentleman and