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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

COUNCIL.

Council met yesterday afternoon, Jan. 17, at 2 o'clock.

The following communication from the House was received and read:

"Gentlemen:—The House has passed the following concurrent resolution, presented by Mr. John Taylor.

"Be it resolved, (the Council concurring) that the Public Printer be directed to print five hundred (500) copies of the Journals of the Legislative Assembly for the use thereof;" referred to the Committee on Printing.

Councillor E. Snow presented a petition, signed by S. E. Johnson and 209 others, citizens of Kane County, asking that the County of Kane be divided by a line running North and South from Harris Springs, making Kanab the County seat of the Eastern portion; referred to the Committee on Counties.

Councillor E. Snow presented a petition, signed by James Lewis and 35 others, citizens of Kane County, asking an appropriation of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) per annum, for the use and benefit of Common Schools; referred to the Committee on Education.

Councillor Caine presented petition of the Territorial Board of Centennial managers, asking an appropriation of ten thousand dollars, (\$10,000), to enable them to carry on the business of the Centennial, with which they are entrusted, in a manner creditable to the Territory; referred to the Centennial Committee.

Councillor Harrington presented the following, which was read:

"Mr. President and members of the Council:

"Gentlemen:—The Committee on Judiciary of the two Houses, having under consideration a code of criminal procedure, have adopted the following title: 'The Penal Code of Utah;' and ask for the same to be so designated in the future proceedings of the Council." Council consented.

Councillor Harrington, according to previous notice, presented the first six titles of (C. F. 1), "The Penal Code of Utah;" and asked leave to present three additional titles. Granted.

Titles 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 of said (C. F. 1), "An Act to establish a Penal Code," were then read.

Councillor Burton presented a communication from John Wayman, a road supervisor, calling the attention of the Council to the width of roads and other matters; referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges, Ferries, and Canyons. Adjourned.

HOUSE.

House met at 2 p. m. yesterday, Jan. 17th.

A report of the Auditor of Public Accounts, setting forth amounts which have been necessarily expended, amounting to \$13,387.28, and asking appropriation therefor, was read; referred to Committee on Revenue, and ordered printed.

A report of the Auditor of Public Accounts, setting forth the total value of property assessed throughout the Territory, amount of Territorial tax thereon, amount abated and remitted, cost of collection, amount delinquent, and the gross amount paid into the Territorial Treasury each year from 1865 to 1875 inclusive, was read; referred to Committee on Revenue, and ordered printed.

Mr. John Taylor presented the report of Hon. O. H. Riggs, Territorial Superintendent of Common Schools, a portion of which was read; referred to the committee on education, to have printed one thousand (1000) copies, in pamphlet form, of such portions as they deemed necessary.

Mr. Joel Grover presented the petition of the inhabitants of Nephi, Juab county, praying for a City Charter; referred to committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Penrose presented a bill (H. F. No. 4), to prevent frauds and perjuries which was read the first time, and the rules were suspended and the bill referred to committee on judiciary.

COUNCIL.

The Council convened yesterday, Jan. 18th, at 2 p. m.

Councillor Caine, in accordance with previous notice, presented (C. F. 2), "An Act to amend an act entitled 'An Act to Regulate Proceedings in Civil Cases in the Courts of Justice of this Territory, and to Repeal certain acts and parts of acts,'" which was read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Councillor Burton presented (C. F. 3), "An Act defining the Judicial Districts of Utah;" which was read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Councillor Harrington, Chairman of the Committee on Printing, presented the following report:

"Mr. President and members of the Council:

"Gentlemen:—The Committee on Printing, to whom was referred the House concurrent resolution, ordering the printing of 500 copies of the Journals of the Legislative Assembly, beg leave to report the resolution back with the following amendment. That it read 200 instead of 500. And recommend the passage of the resolution as amended."

The report was read and accepted.

The resolution was passed as amended.

Councillor Harrington presented Titles 10, 11, and 12 of "the Penal Code;" adjourned.

HOUSE.

House met yesterday at 2 p. m.

Reports of the Auditor of Public Accounts, concerning amount of printing and binding materials in the hands of the Public Printer, amounting to \$946.95; also property in the hands of Territorial officers at the end of the year 1875; referred to Committee on Revenue.

Mr. Pace presented Financial Report of Utah County for the years 1874 and 1875; referred to Committee on Revenue.

Mr. Penrose presented a bill for an act in relation to proving the records and mining rules and regulations of the mining districts of this Territory and for other purposes; read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Hatch, Mr. Penrose was added to the Committee on Printing, and said committee was instructed to obtain estimates from the Public Printer in relation to the cost of printing for 1,000 ems, if done on common newspaper stock.

Adjourned.

COUNCIL.

Council convened at 2 p. m. yesterday, Jan. 19.

Councillor Woodruff presented a petition signed by Edward Hunter and seven others, citizens of Salt Lake City, asking that the act, approved Jan. 11, 1865, entitled "An Act in relation to Butchering and Meat Markets outside the limits of Incorporated Cities that are acting under their Charters," be amended, and suggesting certain amendments thereto; referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Trade and Manufactures.

Councillor Thatcher, Chairman of the Special Committee appointed to draft Resolutions of Respect to the memory of the late Hon. Geo. A. Smith, presented the following, which was read and adopted, and ordered spread on the minutes, and a copy to be engrossed and forwarded to the family of the deceased—

"Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Council:

"We have learned with deep regret of the death of George Albert Smith, ex-President of this Legislative Council, which sad event occurred on the first day of September, 1875.

"In the death of President Smith we, and the whole people of Utah, have sustained an almost irreparable loss, and his memory will ever be held in high and reverential esteem by those who had opportunity to become acquainted with his irreproachable life and character.

"Without attempting to give a connected sketch of the unusually active life of this distinguished citizen, a few incidents may, with profit, be placed on record. We find him at an early age devoting all his time and energies to the advancement of those principles of truth, justice and right, which formed in after life so marked a characteristic of his public career, and which will ever shed a bright halo about his name.

"He was ever particularly interested in the subject of education, wherein he exhibited a strikingly practical and admirable trait of his character; as an evidence of which, in 1846, when our people were driven from their homes and were journeying towards the setting sun, it was his almost constant endeavor to organize for the young, a system of common school education, in which he succeeded admirably, and nightly around the camp fires of the weary exiles, was heard his cheering voice calling the children to come with their books, and recite what they had learned during their day's journey.

"His name is recorded on the pages of history, as one of that noble and heroic band of pioneers, who, in 1847, marked the way across a thousand miles of trackless and unexplored country, seeking in the wilds of what was then known as the Great American Desert, a place of rest—a home for a loyal, though exiled people. He was among the first to arrive in this Valley, then a wilderness, inhabited only by the savage Indian and his not less wild companion, the howling wolf. Beneath the Stars and Stripes, with the love of country as warm in his heart, as when within the confines of Christian civilization, he was among the first to solicit the General Government to extend its dominion and authority over this region, at that time the soil of Mexico. Subsequently, under the Provisional Government of the State of Deseret, he ably represented in the Legislature the citizens of Iron County, which County he had pioneered and founded. Upon the change by the Congress of the United States, of the State of Deseret into a territorial government, he served the same constituency in 1851 in the Council of the first special Legislative Assembly, and continued his labors in the same capacity during the second, third, fourth and fifth annual sessions, and so early as 1852 he aided in memorializing Congress, asking that honorable body to take immediate steps, for the construction of the great transcontinental railroads, by which the Atlantic and Pacific oceans have since been united. The memorial clearly set forth, that the project was not only feasible, but, that its early accomplishment would become a necessity to the Government.

"In 1856 he was elected at a Territorial Convention one of the delegates, to present to Congress a constitution and memorial, praying for admission of Utah into the Union.

"During the ninth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth Sessions of the Territorial Legislature, he served as the Councillor for Iron, Beaver and Piute Counties, and in the fourteenth, fifteenth, sixteenth, seventeenth, eighteenth and nineteenth Sessions, he was unanimously elected President of the Council. In 1873 he, accompanied by our Honorable President of the Council, Lorenzo Snow, and others, visited on a tour of observation, all the prominent cities of Europe, and places of interest throughout Asia Minor, also Egypt and the Land of Palestine. While in France, in December, 1873, he and his party had a pleasant and interesting interview with M. Thiers, President of the French Republic, who expressed his gratification in meeting a delegation from Utah, with the history of whose people he said, he was familiar.

Mr. Smith remarked that the people of Utah had been twenty-five years, laboring under every possible disadvantage, to colonize that portion of our American Desert, in order to make a destitute people great and prosperous; and that, in connection with other objects relating to his tour he wished to gather information and statistics of the progress of older nations, that, through their experience, the people whom he and his party represented might derive benefit. To which M. Thiers replied, that while they remained in France, he would take great pleasure in rendering any assistance they might require in the promotion of the object in view, and expressed a sincere desire that the peaceful relations then existing between the two governments would never be interrupted. At the close of the interview Mr. Smith said:—"President Thiers, may God bless you." The honesty, simplicity and earnestness with which this sentiment was expressed excited the emotions of M. Thiers, and his ministers, who were crowding around, and he requested a literal translation of the expression.

"For a period embracing over nineteen years, George A. Smith labored diligently and ably as a legislator for the people; and the general prosperity of our citizens to-day, and the present development of the material resources of our interior country, are directly traceable, and in a great part due, to the untiring efforts and ceaseless labors of that good and great man, to whose memory, language fails to convey a befitting tribute. He lives in the hearts of thousands who loved him, and history will class him among the great and true, for he was honest in the broadest meaning of the word, upright and free from fraud. The purity of his motives was always above suspicion. His conduct was never influenced by prejudice, party bias, or the hope of personal interest.

"He was deeply interested in all questions affecting the development of our Territory, of which he was truly one of the founders.

"He was a warm friend to the poor, ever aiding, with his wise counsels, to place in their possession the best gifts of our common country; and he was pure, as angels understand purity.

"For twenty-nine years the record of his public life is the history of our Territory. He took part in all the leading events, and his name is indelibly associated with all the great results which that period has produced. And when the close of his mortal career was announced, throughout the entire Territory and the world, where he was known, there was a wail of sadness, which bespoke deep feelings of sorrow. The shock, though by many anticipated, was not the less severe, nor did it lessen the bereavement and sense of great loss, for the public heart was moved, deeply moved, as evidenced by the gathering of the people from almost every part of the country, and assembling by thousands in the Tabernacle to perform funeral rites in honor of the Great Councillor, fallen in sleep to rise again. He was borne from the scenes of his public life and committed to the silent grave, one of earth's foremost public men and best beloved citizens.

"Such are the simple outlines of his official life; yet how full a control, how lofty a purpose, how rich a nature, how wide an influence, how pure a conscience, how perfect an integrity, how enduring a name, how affectionate and how tender a heart, belonged to the man who has filled out such outlines to the full measure of a noble and brave character. As was said of George Washington:—He needs no monumental height with which to perpetuate his memory, for the living, the dead and their posterity shall, by the recital and praise of his deeds, cast around his memory a halo of light and glory, which shall never die."

On motion of Councillor Woodruff, the freedom of the Council Chamber was tendered to Hon. O. H. Riggs, Territorial School Superintendent, and to Professor J. R. Park, Principal of the Deseret University.

Councillor Harrington then presented titles 13 and 14 of (C. F. 1), "The Penal Code," which were read.

The following communication from the House was received and read:

"Gentlemen:—The House concurs in your amendment to Joint Resolution ordering Journals printed, and said resolution reads now, '209' instead of '500' copies."

Adjourned till Thursday, at 2 p. m.

HOUSE.

House met at 2 p. m., Jan. 19th.

Mr. Preston presented Financial Report of Cache County for the years 1874 and 1875; referred to committee on Revenue.

Mr. Penrose presented Financial Report of Weber County for the years 1874 and 1875; referred to Committee on Revenue.

The Territorial Treasurer and the Auditor of Public Accounts presented lists of Territorial property on hand; placed on file.

Mr. Thurber presented a petition from the Mayor, City Council and other officers of Spring City, Sanpete county, asking for a City Charter; referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Mr. Roundy presented a petition

from L. John Nuttall and seventy-one others, residents of Washington and Kane counties, asking for an appropriation of \$5,000 to build a bridge across the Rio Virgin; also a petition from L. John Nuttall and sixty-six others, asking for an appropriation of \$2,000, to be expended in making a road over the rim of the basin into Kanab valley; referred.

Mr. Pace presented a petition from B. Hawley and 123 other residents of Pleasant Grove, Utah county, asking for the repeal of the city charter; referred.

Mr. Rockwood, of the committee on municipal incorporations, to whom was referred the petition of W. H. Seegmiller and 125 others, asking that Richfield, Sevier county, be incorporated, reported a bill for an act incorporating said town, and recommended its passage.

The bill was read and referred back to the committee, with instructions to limit the boundaries of the city so as to comply with the congressional law in regard to the entry of townsites.

Mr. Hatch introduced a bill for an act amending "an act regulating fees and compensation for official services in the Territory of Utah." The bill was read, and, on motion, was rejected.

Mr. W. G. Smith presented the financial report of Morgan county for 1874 and 1875; referred.

House adjourned till Thursday at 2 p. m.

INFORMATION WANTED of the whereabouts of my two uncles, William and Robert Adams, who emigrated to Utah some time about the year 1858 and 1860. Wm. McMillan, Frost Street, Tyne Dock, Durham England. d44.

In spite of your teeth,
Both above and beneath,
Being lightly enamel'd and thin,
They will never break down,
Nor turn yellow nor brown,
If the SOZODONT's daily
brushed in.

FARMERS OF UTAH.—Having just returned from the Mitchell & Lewis Wagon Shops at Racine, Wis., we would announce that about March 1st we shall have a fine stock of the Mitchell, Lewis & Co. farm and spring wagons with all of the late improvements, and every wagon will be fully warranted. All that are intending to buy a wagon are asked to look at our stock before purchasing. We are also the General Agents for P. A. Spicer's Wind Mill, the only mill that will irrigate farms, orchards and furnish water for stock. This mill can be found erected at our store, the old Milburn Wagon Depot. Don't fail to see these mills. We offer the Chilled Gale Plow to any reliable farmer on one day's trial, and if it does not do better work than any other plow, it can be returned. We now state to any parties selling plows that it will please us to have them meet us in a trial with the Gale Chilled Plow, to be found only at Mattison & Johnson's store. A fine lot of those celebrated Cayuga Chief Mowers and Reapers, also the Kirby Mower and Reaper. Give us a call. Office, old Milburn Wagon Depot.

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DIED.

At Kaysville, Davis Co., Jan. 8th, of disease of the lungs, etc., after a short illness, ELIZABETH T., beloved wife of John Galey, B. G. J. P., aged thirty-five and a half years.

Deceased was a native of Plymouth, England; emigrated in 1838, crossing the plains with her father, John Henwood, in a hand-cart company. She was the mother of six children, and lived and died a faithful Latter-day Saint.—(Cont.)
Millennial Star, please copy.