

by Mr. Joseph Cornwall in favor of high schools. He showed the disadvantages of the present system, and the injury often done bright children by the lack of such a school in their localities that they might be able to attend.

Mr. Howe favored the idea; thought in the near future the county would be in one district; would like the legislature to change the time of election of school officers as men could not give sufficient consideration to so important a subject and the political affairs of the whole Territory.

Mr. J. M. Whitaker made a motion that it be the sense of this meeting that "the trustees and teachers look to the establishment of high schools in the county."

Superintendent Allen showed the advantages of such a step, and the motion was carried.

Miss Vilate Nebeker rendered a piano selection in a pleasing manner.

Mr. Sutherland made a motion that we favor the management of the schools of the county by a board of education, and Mr. Whitaker, Mr. Stewart and Mr. Ashton spoke in favor of the plan, while Mr. O. T. McCormick and Mrs. L. F. McCormick argued strongly against it. The vote stood, the trustees and five teachers against the motion, the rest of the teachers for the motion.

Miss Belle Salmon favored the meeting with a recitation which was finely given.

The subjects, "Teacher's Contract" and "Uniform School Calendar," were next taken up. Supt. Allen presented a calendar he had prepared to be followed as far as possible the ensuing year, which was adopted.

Supt. Allen favored paying one week's salaries to teachers who attended all meetings of the institute. Adopted.

A committee consisting of trustees and teachers was appointed to draft a contract between trustees and teachers, after which meeting adjourned.

T. W. Bliss, Secretary.

#### FROM THE SOUTH SEA.

Last evening L. A. Bailey Jr., of Nephi, arrived in this city, after an absence from home of over three years. On April 1, 1890, Elder Bailey left on a mission to the Samoan Islands. Arriving at his destination in due time, he was assigned to labor on the island of Tutuila. There he remained for one year, when he was transferred to the island of Upolu, which was the scene of his missionary efforts until his release to return home. He sailed from Apia on April 27th, on the Monowai, which arrived at San Francisco on Friday last, the 12th inst.

Elder Bailey says that he met with fair success in his labor of spreading a knowledge of the Gospel among the natives of the Samoan Islands. It is five years next June since the mission there was commenced by the arrival of Elder J. H. Dean and wife, and it is now in a prosperous condition. Elder Bailey has had fair health during his sojourn in Samoa, and greatly enjoyed his missionary labors.

When the Monowai reached Apia on her voyage toward San Francisco, every berth on the vessel was taken, and in order to travel on the boat Elder

Bailey and many others had to sleep on deck every night during the trip. Owing to occasional rough weather this experience was sometimes far from pleasant.

The Monowai had on board four Elders from the Australian mission. These were Oscar Andrus, George Hales and Hans Madsen, from New Zealand, and H. B. Dalling from Australia. At Apia, besides Elder Bailey, two other returning missionaries took passage on the steamer. These were Elders George McCune, of Nephi, and David R. Morgan, of Bear Lake county, Idaho. The former stopped off in California, and went down to San Bernardino to visit relatives. He will arrive in Utah in about ten days. Elder Morgan has been from home only about three months. When he reached Samoa the climate was unsuitable to him and his health became seriously impaired. Under these circumstances it was considered advisable for him to return home.

As stated, the Monowai was very much crowded. Many of the passengers were unable to stand the stench below deck, and preferred to remain on deck in all kinds of weather. In the steerage this overcrowding was exceedingly unpleasant. There were only four wash basins and two towels for over ninety men, so the passengers stated. There was a bath-tub, but it took so long for nearly 200 passengers in the lower hold to get a turn, that many of them appeared to dispense with the bath altogether. In heavy weather the passengers suffered great discomfort.

Among the interesting people on board were four Samoan women en route to the World's Fair. It had been the intention to have a dozen each of male and female natives, but the Samoan government would not allow it, so H. J. Moor, the American merchant and trader who undertook to get them, took Fijians and others in their stead. Only the four native women were permitted to come. One of these is the wife of H. J. Moor. She is said to have been a princess. She has a baby, Loi, fourteen months old. There is another princess, Fetoi, a woman about eighteen years of age and a girl about fourteen. They brought along material to construct a Samoan house at the World's Fair. On the voyage they complained of the cold, as their clothing was light, and they were very sensitive to the change in temperature. They will remain in San Francisco until today, when they will start on their journey by rail to Chicago.

#### NEWS OF THE WEST.

The farmers of Montana are happy over the prospect of an abundance of water for irrigation this season.

John Cook, a fireman in the Seattle Wood Working company's mill, has been drowned in Lake Union.

Cattle men and business men of Globe, Ariz., are making a determined effort to break up the gang of cattle thieves that for years has infested the Tonto basin in Gila county.

The twelve-year-old son of Alonzo Mitchell of Kamas has been thrown from a horse and so badly injured that

his life is despaired of. The injury he sustained seems to be entirely about the neck.

At Beaver, on Wednesday, the resignation of the clerk, Mr. C. E. Norris was received and accepted, and Mr. W. L. Cook was appointed in the place of Mr. Norris as clerk of the Second judicial district.

Another overturned boat has been picked up off Sand Island, Oregon, and there is no doubt that both of her occupants have been drowned. This probably finishes the list of those who perished in the late storm.

Plans for the new school house to be built in Nephi this summer have been accepted by the board of trustees. Thompson & Weigel, of Salt Lake City, are the architects. Bids will be advertised for immediately and opened on the 10th of June.

At a meeting of the Santa Rosa (Cal.) board of education, it has been decided to call an election on June 3rd, for the purpose of voting on the proposition to bond the city for \$30,000 for the construction of a new school building. The Santa Rosa high school has been recently placed on the university list, and efforts are being made to materially advance the interests of the public schools here.

A Chinese lottery agency at Battery street, San Francisco, was raided on Sunday by Sergeant Price and the Chinatown squad. Wong He, the keeper of the place, was arrested, and the layout with 2,000 tickets was confiscated. The squad visited thirty or forty other lottery places during the day, but were unable to make any other captures.

Dr. John E. King, claiming to be a Cherokee Indian doctor, has reached La Junta and hung out his shingle as cure-all. Saturday afternoon he was arrested for practicing medicine without a license from the state medical board, and in default of \$200 bail now lies in jail. The doctor claims to be a full-blooded Cherokee Indian and cures all ills by faith and the laying on of hands. He was well known in Salt Lake, having come here in the same line of business a few years ago.

Kendall & Smith, grain dealers of Lincoln, Neb., with numerous elevators throughout the state, have failed. Mortgages on the property aggregate nearly \$300,000. There are pressing claims which, it is alleged, cannot be satisfied. Among them is one from the president of the board of directors of the Columbian National bank of Chicago for \$25,000. Local banks, it is stated, are heavy creditors. An exact statement of assets and liabilities cannot be given.

The hearing of the application for a writ of habeas corpus in the case of H. W. Early, the Boise, Idaho, clothing merchant arrested on a charge of fraud, is in progress before Judge Nugent. Early has been unable to secure bondsmen and his attorneys have taken this means to get him out of jail. Information is received that his brother, T. C. Early, in whose name the business was run, left Denver some months ago, ostensibly to go to Portland. The supposition is that he has been taking care of the goods shipped away from the store here.