GENERAL BUSINESS.

Unusual Amount of Repair Work by the Salt Lake City Railway Co.

PAID ITS EMPLOYES $18,000 TODAY.

Interurban Has Been Remodeled and Is on the Fair-Ex Count—Similar Changes Elsewhere.

The Salt Lake City Railway company is doing an unusual amount of repair work at present in the shape of putting its roadbeds in better condition. A large force of men is always kept on hand for that purpose during the summer months but this season the force has been larger than usual.

Up to the present time the crew has taken up more than three thousand cross ties and replaced them with new ones. This work has been done on the Washington, Second South and First South street lines. It is on the last mentioned line that the men are now engaged. Before their services are dispensed with in the fall they will have put down from six to eight thousand ties and a long stretch of new rails. The lines that have to be gone over per annum are the First and Twenty-first wards.

This was pay day with the company and something over $8,000 in cash was disbursed to the employes of the operating department.

The Local Board.

Hugh Anderson, who, with President Grant of the Home Fire, made a committee to visit the coast to obtain the signatures of general managers willing to form a state board, returned from San Francisco this morning. He states that the insurance business in that city is utterly demoralized and the recent heavy conflagration there had no effect whatever in stopping the cutting in rates.

In Salt Lake all the board members, comprising nearly every company of any consequence doing business in the Territory, hang closely together, and continue to enforce the non-interference rule against the two of three companies responsible for the demoralization in rates. Not only are the policies of those companies taken up wherever found, but the board companies vigorously refuse to insure any one who writes business with the "pirates," as the outsiders are termed. In some exception are made on risks already covered by "pirate" policies, but only where the assured signs an agreement to give up such policies at their expiration.

Home Fire Insurance Company.

The regular monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Home Fire Insurance company took place at the office of the company yesterday afternoon. Special interest was attached to the meeting for the reason that the reports for the past six months, covering the first half of the company's fiscal year were to be submitted. The reports showed that notwithstanding the unsettled conditions which have existed in insurance circles for the greater part of 1895, the Home company had no reason to complain of the patronage extended it by the public. The company has done but little cutting, refusing to join in the scramble for business indulged in by most outside companies, and it has preferred to see certain classes of risks go to the home than to change the rule. That its conservative course has been a wise one is attested by the strong condition in which it finds itself today. The directors present at the meeting were Heber J. Grant, president; Henry Dinwoodey, Jno. R. Barnes, Jno. C. Cutler, Chas. S. Burton, E. A. Smith, John Henry Smith and F. M. Lyman.

THE THATCHER FLOUR CUT.

The Combine Will Make No Attempt to Meet It—Say it is Unnecessary.

The cut of Silver cents per hundred on flour, all grades, made by the Thatcher Milling company, bids fair to stand for some time.

Secretary Miller, of the Inter-Mountain Milling company, said today that the combine would make no effort to meet it. The combine, it will be remembered, controls the operation of six mills, located as follows: Miller's at Murray; Bennion's at Taylorsville; Cooper at Sandy; Wasatch at Mill Creek; Pioneer (Elias Morris) in this city; mill at North Salt Lake. The four outside mills run by water power are operating steadily and have a large amount of wheat on hand. The two city mills which when in use are run by steam.

Secretary Miller says the combine will not buy any more wheat until after the new crop is harvested which from present prospects will be very heavy and of extra good quality. Wheat at present is worth about 52½ cents per bushel. Mr. Miller mentioned by saying, "No, I see no need of meeting the cut made by the Thatchers. It has not affected us in the least. We are selling just as we were before and anticipate no damaging results to our business. We bought our wheat when it was cheap just as they did. But there is the inducement on the one by and the shrinkage at the wheat to look after and we do not care about creating a loss just for the fun of it."

With the Banks.

The Deseret Savings bank held its annual meeting yesterday afternoon and elected the following board of directors for the ensuing year: James T. Little, Moses Thatcher, Elias A. Smith, James Sharp, W. W. Riter, Geo. Romney, John R. Winder, Jno. C. Cutler, D. H. Peery, Henry Dinwoodey, John R. Winder, Frank W. Jennings and E. B. Eldredge. The annual meeting was held at the banking house on Main street, and at it Isabel [illegible] was elected October 1st, who [illegible] and also succeeds [illegible].

STATE BANK OF UTAH.

The State bank of Utah duly declares also sent their dividend notices yesterday afternoon after the News went to press. The share represented amounted to just one of 2 per cent. The report of President Heber J. Grant showing the institution's business to be in an excellent condition was read and adopted. There was a general increase in the number of accounts, savings and deposits. The following officers were elected: Heber J. Grant, president; Wm. B. Preston, Heber M. Wells, Isaac Barton, Charles Burton, F. T. Farnsworth, Reuben Clawson, Joseph F. Smith and A. H. Cannon. The board will meet on the 23d for new business and elect officers.

THE COMMERCIAL NATIONAL.

The regular semi-annual meeting of the Commercial National bank was held yesterday morning. The business of particular public importance was transacted. The bank's affairs are in first class shape and its outlook are in an agreeable mood.

Active Wool Market.

Boston, July 8.—With an active wool market and strong prices, the dealers here are looking forward to another avalanche of [illegible] orders. During the greater part of the week by manufacturers, there has been considerable business done by dealers. Over 3,000,000 pounds are said to have been given out of the Boston mill. The market at Australian wool is active, with a probability of an advance in prices. Territory wool, medium and fine, [illegible] scoured basis, [illegible] Montana, [illegible] Wyoming, [illegible] Utah, [illegible] scoured, [illegible] Idaho, [illegible] Oregon, [illegible] Nevada, [illegible] Colorado, [illegible] Utah, [illegible] Nos. 1, [illegible] scoured basis, [illegible] Wyoming, [illegible] Utah, [illegible] scoured, [illegible] Idaho, [illegible] Oregon, [illegible] Nevada, [illegible] Colorado, [illegible] Utah, [illegible] Nos. 2, [illegible] scoured basis, [illegible] Wyoming, [illegible] Utah, [illegible] scoured, [illegible] Idaho, [illegible] Oregon, [illegible] Nevada, [illegible] Colorado, [illegible] Utah, [illegible] combing and clothing, [illegible] Australian wool, superfine, [illegible] combing and clothing, [illegible] average, [illegible]

Big Boom with $1,000,000.

A dispatch received from Los Angeles last night says: "Articles of incorporation of the Big Horn Gold Mining company were filed today. The nominal capital is $2,000,000, which is all subscribed. The directors include L. W. Hiller, who is president; Judge J. M. Hiller and Benamin Brooker, M. M. Wolfe, all residents of this city. The mines are located at the headwaters of the San Gabriel river, on the north side of Mount Baldy, at an altitude of 7,500 feet. The immense vein is traced for five miles between walls of jasper 50 to 100 feet wide on the surface. At the bed rock level the ledges are 500 feet apart. The claim found the ledges sixty-two feet wide, and the gold ore yielding $9 per ton. There are easily 1,000,000 tons in sight. There is enough water power in the gulch and immediate surroundings to develop 15,000 horse-power. A 100-stamp mill will immediately be erected by the company."

DEMOCRATIC DELEGATES.

Meetings Held in Other Wards Last Night in Anticipation of Saturday's Convention.

Additional Democratic meetings were held last night in the wards heretofore mentioned for organization purposes and to elect delegates to attend the Territorial convention to be held in the Tabernacle on Saturday next.

Ninth Ward.

Following are the officers and delegates elected in the Ninth ward:

Delegates to Territorial Convention—Frank Harris, Mrs. L. A. Wells, W. A. Taylor, Mrs. Mary Muir, C. W. Penrose, P. W. McCaffrey, A. F. Welch, J. T. Kingsbury. Alternates—F. W. Follett, O. H. Pettit, Martha Barrow, Josephine Woolley, T. M. Hall.

Delegates present at convention were instructed to cast full vote for the secretary.

Executive Committee—Mrs. Mary Muir, Mrs. O. H. Pettit, Thos. M. Hall, F. W. Follett, John Rose.

Financial Committee—Miss Effie Welch, P. W. McCaffery, Josephine Woolley.

Committee on Admission—Mrs. Henry Brewster, W. D. Woolley, N. J. Bluckell.

Nineteenth Ward.

The Nineteenth ward meeting held at Herbinger's hall had for its chairman R. G. Sawtell. The following were chosen officers of the ward society:

President, J. H. Beck; vice-president, Mrs. John S. Pike; second vice-president, Samuel Newton; secretary, J. E. Pike; assistant secretary, Miss Olive Derbidge; treasurer, Alexander D. Edwards.

Executive committee—Joseph M. Watson, Henry Barnes, John E. Hansen, Miss Olive Derbidge, Miss Bowman.

Membership committee—S. H. Conely, Mrs. William Saunders and Thomas Slight.

Delegates to the Territorial convention—John S. Pike, Mrs. Wm. Saunders, R. G. Sawtell, Henry Barnes, Mrs. John E. Hansen, Samuel Newton, A. D. Edward, Joseph Derbidge. Alternates—John Holmes, Mrs. Joseph M. Watson, James Whitesel, Thomas Jackson.

Committee on precinct organization—John S. Pike, Henry Barnes, John E. Hansen, Joseph M. Watson, Samuel Newton.

Pioneer Club.

The Pioneer Democratic club elected the following delegates: Joseph L. Rawlins, H. C. Henderson, R. Letcher, H. J. Dunier, H. A. Scoins, Hadley D. Jeanney, Paul J. Daly, R. N. Baskin, H. H. Roberts, Charles J. Fyper, H. W. Stewart, A. L. Straup, W. M. Jett, S. H. Cabell, A. T. Schroeder.

STRONG WORK FOR SPAVIN.

Prof. Bressee of the Horticultural Society Makes an Earnest Seizable Plea.

TAYLORVILLE, July 6, 1895.

Editor Deseret News.

Will you please give space in your columns for a brief response to your editorial of July 2nd issue, "Good and Bad Laws," wherein you reflect some criticisms and doubts respecting the Horticultural law as [illegible] spraying? As in most editorial positions upon the public at large the effect of some writings may not be [illegible] neither [illegible] the writer of [illegible] and therefore the [illegible] and [illegible] with the [illegible] law.

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