

Sears offered a resolution thanking Secretary Richards for favors to the Assembly, J. R. Letcher, Esq., for aiding in the opening of the session, Speaker Emery and the officers of the House.

The law supposes that the Thirty-first session of the Legislative Assembly of Utah Territory closed at midnight of Thursday, March 8th, and the record must be so manipulated as to show that no business was transacted later than that. The House clock was stopped at 11:20 and the Council clock at 11:40 of that date, an absurd subterfuge to carry out a ridiculous fiction. That is, the fiction appears ridiculous except from a legal standpoint. The record must not show any adjournment, except the final one, after March 8th, and on Friday night, when the House was sitting idle, with no business on its table, Allen suggested that the members "saunter." The word was seized upon with avidity, and ever since it was suggested, the members of both houses have spent most of their time in "sauntering." Presumably a quorum is at all times within the bar of each house, and the members have incurred much fatigue in keeping up such an appearance; but as a matter of fact, no members were in their seats during the early hours of Saturday, Sunday and today.

On Saturday evening an interesting debate was had in the House on the proposition to take half a mill from the Territorial school tax and add it to the Territorial general tax, making each 2½ mills. The bill passed and went to the Governor, but he vetoed it, leaving the present tax levy in force. One by one the Governor has acted on the large number of bills that were sent to him near the close of the Assembly. He has not vetoed many, but has been free in suggesting amendments as conditions on which his approval would be given. The only political issue raised between the Executive and the Assembly, except the bounty bill, was in the bill creating court commissioners, etc. The Governor claimed the right to appoint these officials, but they had been named in the bill, and it had to be so amended as to concede to the executive the power he claimed, or it would have failed.

COUNCIL.

It was after noon yesterday when the Council was called to order for the first time, and during the day and evening the following business was done:

A message was received from the Governor stating that he had nominated the following court commissioners:

- First district—John R. Twelves.
- Second district—W. H. Bates.
- Third district—George D. Pyper.
- Fourth district—Henry H. Rolapp.

The following nominations by the Governor for dental examiners were confirmed: J. W. Christensen, of Utah county, for two years; H. A. Whitney, of Salt Lake county, for three years; Joseph W. Thatcher, of Cache county, for three years; Stanley H. Clawson, of Salt Lake county, for three years.

E. E. German, of Utah county, was rejected.

The following appointments were also confirmed:

Members of the Territorial Board of

Pharmacy—Clarence A. McCoy, of Salt Lake county, until March 8, 1896; J. B. Farlow, of Salt Lake county, until March 8, 1896; George A. Fennimore, of Beaver county, until March 8, 1897; John L. Boyden, of Summit county, until March 8, 1896; W. A. Wade, of Box Elder county, until March 8, 1896.

Directors of Territorial Insane Asylum—Albion B. Emery, of Summit county, Lewis W. Shurtliff of Weber county, Reed Smoot, of Utah county, W. W. Woodring, of Sanpete county, George C. Whitmore, of Juab county, William Creer, of Utah county.

Warren N. Dusenberry, of Utah county was rejected.

Trustees of the Agricultural College of Utah—Aaron A. Farr Jr., of Cache county, W. S. McCormick, of Salt Lake county, Alonzo G. Barber, of Cache county, William P. Nebeker, of Salt Lake county, John W. McNutt, of Weber county, Achilles Perrin, of Weber county, D. C. Hubbard, of Box Elder county.

Sealer of Weights and Measures—Fritz S. Ertman, of Salt Lake county.

President and Directors of the Deseret Agricultural and Manufacturing Society—President, John R. Winder; directors, Frank W. Jennings, of Salt Lake county; Fred Simon, of Salt Lake county; Herman Bamberger, of Salt Lake county; Nelson A. Empey, of Salt Lake county; Septimus W. Sears, of Salt Lake county; Amos D. Holdaway, of Utah county; Wiley G. Cragun, of Weber county; John D. Peters, of Box Elder county; James A. Melville, of Millard county; Abraham Hatch, of Wasatch county; David O. Wiley Sr., of Davis county.

Trustees of the Territorial Reform School—John Watson, of Weber county; Marshall A. Breeden, of Weber county; James H. Moyle, of Salt Lake county; Lyman R. Martineau, of Cache county; David Thorburn, of Weber county; Thomas F. Roueche, of Davis county.

John R. Minor of Utah county was not confirmed.

Board of Medical Examiners—Allen Fowler of Salt Lake County, J. M. Dart of Salt Lake county, Joseph S. Richards of Salt Lake county, C. C. Shinnick of Salt Lake county, John D. Carnahan of Weber county, McKenzie N. Graves of Weber county.

Walter N. Pike of Utah county was not confirmed.

Regents of the University of Utah—Moses Thatcher of Cache county for the unexpired term of W. N. Shilling, resigned, and until July 1, 1894; Erwin A. Wilson of Utah county for the unexpired term of James Sharp, resigned, and until July 1, 1896; also Moses Thatcher for the term of six years; Robert Harkness for the term of six years; Lewis S. Hills for the term of six years.

The following nominations for militia officers were confirmed:

- George M. Ottinger, adjutant-general.
- E. W. Tatlock, inspector-general.
- D. C. Adams, quartermaster-general.
- Thomas J. Stevens, commissary-general.
- Allan Fowler, surgeon-general.
- A. D. Gash, judge advocate.
- Nephi W. Clayton, aid-de-camp.
- Alex Loeb, aid-de-camp.

COURT COMMISSIONERS.

The nominations made by the Governor for court commissioners named above, were confirmed.

First District—John R. Twelves.

Second District—W. H. Bates.

Third District—George D. Pyper.

Fourth District—W. H. Rolapp.

The Governor announced his approval of an act to amend the charter of Logan City, changing the beginning of the fiscal year.

At 6:30 p. m. a concurrent resolution was sent to the Governor, informing him that the tables of both houses were clear.

A message was received from the Governor stating that he had vetoed C. B. 92, relating to revenue.

HOUSE.

At 8:40 on Saturday evening the Speaker called the House to order.

A communication from the Governor was read, announcing that he had approved the bills relating to estrays, and appeals from justices' courts.

He objected to the bill providing for free employment agencies for the reason that it did not appropriate to meet the expense of clerical help, blanks, stationery, etc., necessary for the Secretary's office in administering the law. If \$100 per month for a clerk and \$500 for blanks, stationery, etc., for the next two years, were appropriated he would sign the bill.

The report of the conference committee on the appropriation bill, a long document, was read.

All the recommendations of the conference committee were adopted.

C. B. 92, in relation to revenue, was considered. It makes the Territorial tax for schools and for general purposes 2½ mills each, the county school tax 2 mills and the general county tax 3 mills.

The bill then passed by a vote of 14 to 10.

The Governor announced that he had signed the school bill, and declined to approve the bill creating court commissioners, etc., on the ground that the bill names those officers, instead of authorizing the Governor to name them. Varian moved to amend the bill so as to allow the Governor to nominate the court commissioners. Carried.

At about 8 a. m. Sunday the House was called to order and a message was read announcing that the Governor had vetoed C. F. 64, the so-called consanguinity bill. It forbade attorneys related to a judge, justice of the peace or commissioner from practicing before such court. He thought the parties to a suit had already ample means of protection against partiality by judges.

At intervals during Sunday forenoon, the following business was done:

C. B. 122, changing the fiscal year of Logan, was passed.

The Governor announced his approval of the medical bill, the fish and game bill, and the bill relating to the payment of jurors, etc., and to court commissioners.

COUNCIL.

It was nearly noon today before the Council was called to order, and then the only business transacted was the confirmation in executive session of the following:

S. H. Allen, of Provo, as a member of the medical board.

James Clark as trustee of the Territorial Reform school.